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Junkanoo rushed on New Year's Day

Green Turtle Cay came alive with the beat of the Junkanoo drums

By Mirella Santillo

The New Year's Day Junkanoo Parade on Green Turtle Cay keeps improving with the years. This year more children were rushing with more colorful costumes, and a large crowd of on-lookers came from all over Abaco to watch Junkanoo and renew acquaintances.

By late morning the new group of the Lil Island Slammers with their leader, Arnold Newbold, gathered at Amy Roberts Primary School. The children already in costumes were outside under the almond tree waiting to be made up, practicing with their cow-bells or drums, the adults inside were putting the finishing touches to their costumes while on the adjacent lot another group was watching the fire lit to warm the large drums.

An early crowd was already packing the streets of the settlement, groups of friends talking, people queuing at the baked goods stand, buying conch fritters, chicken dinners or ribs and rice among other goodies, a famous Miss Emily's goombay smash in their hands. They were enjoying the day while waiting in no hurry for the colorful parade to come down the hill.

And there they were, the children behind the colorful banner followed by the adults and the drummers. People made space for them as they went through town around by the waterfront, the sound of the drums echoing in the distance. They final-

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The lead banner for the Junkanoo parade on Green Turtle Cay on January 1 set the pace for the dancers and drummers who followed. This annual parade draws spectators from all communities on Abaco to vie for space on the narrow settlement roads. This year more youth were involved with three groups who easily maintained the quality of their adult counterparts. Booths selling food and drink kept the crowd well fortified.

Decorated Hope Town carts competed on Boxing Day



Boxing Day in Hope Town brought out the decorated golf carts that entered a competition. Shown here is the winning cart decorated by Tambi Schweizer with Abrey and Olivia. Their prize was 1300 gallons of water, a scarce commodity on the cays.

By Jennifer Hudson

Hope Town's First Boxing Day Golf Cart Parade in 2007 was such a roaring success and everyone had so much fun that the organizers decided to hold it again in 2008. Once again this past Boxing Day the parade was enjoyed so

much that it has definitely been decided to make it a yearly event.

Eight golf carts which had been imaginatively decorated were paraded through

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Green Turtle Cay put on a good show



The banner of the Lil' Island Slammers featured the stylized Bahamian crest. This is a new group that formed on Green Turtle Cay.



These are memers of the Lil' Island Slammers Junkanoo group, newly formed on Green Turtle Cay. This year's parade was attended by fewer spectators from the mainland. It is thought that many were not able to attend because seas were too choppy for small boats to make the trip. But those who did make it enjoyed the event. Many took advantage of the variety of food and drinks available at stalls along the way.

Junkanoo

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ly gathered at the basketball court where people rushed to take the last photos. And then, the bunces came out, their scary faces sending the frightened children running

to their mothers.

While people started to leave, more kept arriving on the ferry, probably not aware that the parade had ended, so it was not until well after dusk that the crowd finally dispersed.



This year's Junkanoo Parade on Green Turtle Cay included many children. They performed in groups by age. These are some of the intermediate aged dancers. They had worked hard to create their costumes. They expect to compete in the Junior Junkanoo competition to be held in Marsh Harbour on February 20.

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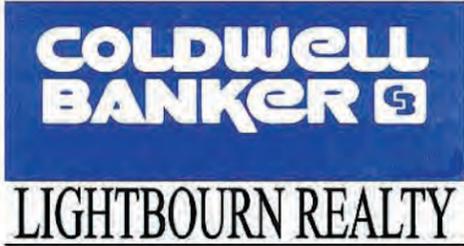
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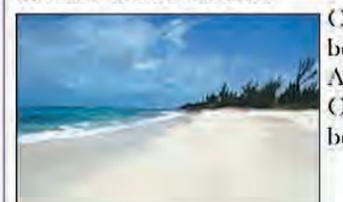
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Central Abaco News

Social Services has moved

By Mirella Santillo

As of November 1st the offices of the Department of Social Services moved to a new location on Don MacKay Boulevard next to K&S Auto Service. The building, which was more warehouse than shop, has been completely remodeled with tile floors, carpeting and cheerful prints. It is divided into several offices which accommodate a staff of six. Being on the ground floor, the reception is now accessible to wheelchairs. The mezzanine holds the clerical offices and two intake rooms.

This set up, however, is temporary. Early in the new year the large reception room

will be divided into offices and the back rooms will become a conference room, allowing for more privacy.

Social Services, under Chief Welfare Officer Salomie Gibson, deals with many of the social ills of our community including family services, community support, school welfare, disability, rehabilitation, welfare services, child protection and placement.

Every Thursday there is a teenagers counseling session for probationers conducted by Pastor Erwin Baillou. This program is overseen by Ms. Kimreese Miller acting as probation officer. Mrs. Serena Simms and Ms. Javotte Whyllly handle community support. Ms. Ethlyn Darville welcomes everyone at the reception while Mrs. Barbara Williams, the Executive Officer, takes care of administrative duties and human resources.

Radio Abaco call-in show for fire hydrants

By Jennifer Hudson

The Rotary Club of Abaco held a Call-in Show at Radio Abaco on December 4 to raise funds towards fire hydrants for Central Abaco. Their goal was to raise \$35,000 to \$40,000 before December 15. "These are hard times, but they will be even harder if we are hit by fire," stated Rotary Club member, Jo-Ann Bradley.

Mr. Bryan Thompson, Past President of the Rotary Club of Abaco, explained the purpose of

the call-in. "We are appealing to corporate Abaco and individuals to donate towards fire hydrants. Fire hydrants will benefit everyone. We want to stress how important it is to protect businesses. There are some large hardware stores that contain toxic and flammable materials which would present great danger in the case of a fire, and we would need to be able to deal with such an event in a timely manner."

"Money is being raised for fire hydrants, a tanker truck and equipment for the fire fighters. We are applying to Rotary International for a competitive grant which is better than a matching grant as it will give leeway for more money, and we must send in our report by December 15," stated Mr. Thompson. "Rotary International places emphasis on assisting with projects such as water and hunger throughout the world and is not willing to supply funds for a building so we are focusing of the needs of the Fire Department other than the Fire House. A sister club in Florida is assisting with the grant."

The amount of \$3,000 was raised by the end of the short radio call in which brought up to approximately \$10,000 the amount already raised. The amount which came in as a result of the call in was considered by Rotary members to be rather disappointing but the reason for the slow response was felt to possibly be because of the recent fair and Fire House drive which people had al-

ready donated their money towards. This drive was begun two years ago by a firefighter from South Carolina who has since returned to the United States.

Mr. Silbert Mills encouraged Haitians to join in to donate as many fire hydrants are needed around the Mud and Pigeon Pea. He encouraged people to give and praised the good work of the Marsh Harbour Volunteer Fire Department describing it as "a labour of love." "They are presently having to man the airport with one of their fire trucks because the government fire truck is broken down. If there was no fire truck there, then there would be no international flights coming in. Firefighters are at the airport every day," he stated. "This is a very impressive drive and the community and Rotary are stepping up to the plate."

Also present at the Radio Abaco Call in was Rotarian Mr. Bill Albury, who is heading up this drive.

Best kept yard competition

For the second year residents of Murphy Town and Dundas Town were invited to participate in the Best Kept Yard competition. Sponsored by Local Government, the Ministry of Tourism and Friends of the Environment, the competition is aimed at

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Mrs. Barbara Williams' desk at the new office of the Department of Social Services is upstairs in the building next to K & S Auto Service on Don MacKay Boulevard. She is the Executive Officer of the office.

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motivating people to landscape their surroundings, therefore beautifying the island.

Four Murphy Town residents entered the contest. Their yards were judged on December 1st by a panel of local gardeners among them Mr. Jack Hardy, Mr. Michael Parotti and Mrs. Judy Johnston. Their landscaping ranged from ornamentals to vegetables and native trees. Some had a lot of flowers, some more bushes. It was obvious that they had tried to beautify their surroundings even if perhaps at the last moment for some.

This year again, the first prize went to Mrs. Paula Rolle, who had kept her garden in top condition from last year. She

received \$350 compliments of Local Government. The check was handed to her niece at the Murphy Town Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Mrs. Susan Knowles placed second and was awarded \$250 donated by the Royal Bank of Canada and Mrs. Gwen Carey took the third place and was given a gift certificate from AID valued at \$150. Another contestant was Mrs. Ulamae Gomez.

Three Dundas Town residents entered the contest. The judging took place on December 8th with Mr. Jack Hardy as head judge. He was helped by Mrs. Beverley Rolle and Mrs. Mirella Santillo. It was a difficult decision as the yards of all three contestants looked very nice. Mrs. Nikia Williams had more flowers as well as an outside patio with garden furniture and a tool shed, all very neat. Mrs. Le-

nora Black's surrounding looked more like a natural old-fashioned garden with lots of native bushes and flowering creepers, while Mr. Freddy Jones' yard was landscaped more with trees and pathways than flowers, with trimmed hedges and painted driveway. The final decision was rendered in favor of Mrs. Williams, who received the first prize of \$350 on December 10th at the Dundas Town Christmas tree Lighting Ceremony. Mr. Jones came second and was given a check for \$250 by Mrs. Iris Henshall on behalf of First Caribbean Bank. Mrs. Black received a prize for third place, \$150 from Commonwealth Bank.

AA and Al Anon Meetings

The AA (Alcoholics Anomymous) group of Marsh Harbour meets Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. at the Marsh Harbour Community Library.

The AlAnon group of Marsh Harbour meets the third Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Marsh Harbour Community Library.

The AA group in Hope Town meets Mondays and Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 p.m. at the Hope Town Library.

The AA group and the AlAnon group meet in the Treasure Cay Community Center on Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

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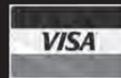
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The Editor Says . . . Logging's contribution to Abaco



Forty-nine years ago Snake Cay became the commercial and industrial center of Abaco with the arrival of the 380-foot Robert Fulton. The Owens-Illinois logging operation brought the renovated side-wheel steamboat to be its operations center.

The boat docked there just before Christmas in 1959, and within a few days it opened for business. Moving the logging operation from Grand Bahama to Abaco was an epic event and contributed heavily to the economic foundation for the modern Abaco we enjoy today.

In 1958 the Marsh Harbour airport opened, but there was no visitor traffic of consequence as there were very limited facilities for visitors. A popular Sunday pastime for Marsh Harbour residents was to go to the airport and watch the lone passenger plane come and go. On landing, passengers often went to the aircraft's cargo door to watch for their luggage, either to see that it came off or that it stayed on as appropriate.

In mid-1959 Marcel Maury bought and converted the large residence of Brigadier Robbins into the Hope Town Harbour Lodge. The same year Albury's Ferry began serving Man-O-War and Elbow Cay with daily ferry service. The Great Abaco Hotel opened with 20 rooms in Marsh Harbour in mid-1960 by Betsner and Shaff.

Prior to 1960 there were no roads connecting the various settlements on Abaco. The longest road was a one-lane track to Mr. Crockett's farm south of the Marsh Harbour airport. It continued, in a less improved state, to Big Mangrove where Cherokee could be seen far across the shallow water.

Hope Town was the center of government for Central Abaco. Based there were the commissioner, police, government nurse, Methodist minister and Abaco's most powerful telegraph station connecting to Nassau. Most of these positions were moved to Marsh Harbour in late 1960 or early 1961.

It was the Snake Cay logging operation that established an extensive road network, eventually connecting all the towns on Abaco from Cooper's Town south except

Cherokee which had to wait more than 20 years for its road.

The arrival of the Robert Fulton was an epic event for several reasons. First, it was quite a sight on the Abaco coastline, an authentic Hudson River side-wheel steamboat. The two activities on the first level were of interest to almost everyone, the general store and the clinic.

The well stocked commissary was the island's first supermarket, at least in comparison to the petty shops found in Marsh Harbour, Hope Town and the other settlements. A substantial store was required to supply the needs of 500 employees and their families. For the first time, Abaco residents could buy fresh milk, ice cream, fresh and frozen meat, a variety of produce and an extensive selection of dry groceries. Abaco people quickly took to this new arrival.

There was an exchange of cultures as Marsh Harbour people could now buy Dandee sliced bread in a cellophane wrapper while the newly arrived supervisory employees welcomed their trips into Marsh Harbour to buy Bunyan Key's freshly baked bread.

Within a few days of the Fulton's arrival, Dr. Gottlieb and family arrived. He was familiar with the clinic on the Fulton, having worked in it for several years while the Fulton was at Riding Point on Grand Bahama. He began seeing patients within days of the boat's arrival. Abaco had its first trained doctor and all the area's pent-up ailments could now be professionally treated. Something like the present practice of combining a shopping and medical trip to West Palm Beach, so did families go to Snake Cay for groceries and a visit to the doctor.

The clinic was located at the foot of the wide staircase leading to the upper decks where offices and living quarters were located. This convenient staircase allowed patients to wait, like football fans on bleachers, for their turn to be called. Visiting the doctor was a major social event for some persons. Owens Illinois later leased Crown Land and built the clinic building in Marsh Harbour for Dr. Gottlieb. This building remains on the side street across from Lowe's Pharmacy and is now used as a library.

The steel hull of the Robert Fulton began showing its 57 years of service while floating at the Snake Cay dock. It became more difficult to keep it afloat although different strategies were attempted. One involved a layer of cement in the bilges in an effort to stop the continual leaking. Finally, the boat was filled in all around with crushed rock, making it landlocked and immune to serious problems of a leaking bilge. Even then, a large electric pump ran continuously keeping the water in the bilges at an acceptable level.

In 1966 the pulpwood operation moved to Andros. Agreements with government on the importation of the Robert Fulton

required that it be removed or be demolished at the conclusion of the pulpwood operation. Had our tourism sector been as vibrant back then as it is now, the Robert Fulton may have been viewed differently and might have had a continued role to play. However, it was burned, leaving a steel hull which was bulldozed and trucked into the woods, leaving nothing but photographs of its role here.

The pulpwood operation played a minor role in Abaco's tourism expansion. Owens-Illinois executives and their families from Toledo, Ohio, would visit, staying in the Great Abaco Hotel or perhaps in the Hope Town Harbour Lodge. A few built winter homes, one in Treasure Cay and two in Hope Town that we are aware of.

On the departure of the pulpwood operation to Morgan's Bluff on Andros, consultants recommended that the company raise sugar cane and establish a sugar mill. World prices were about 5 cents per pound and the Bahamas was lobbying for a 20,000 ton annual quota to export sugar into the States at a subsidized price of 20 cents per pound. Some of the infrastructure required by the sugar project were in place, left by the departing pulpwood operation: housing at Snake Cay and Spring City, a functional deep-water dock, and an extensive road network.

Sugar harvests were made in 1969 and 1970 with raw sugar being shipped to a refinery in Savannah, Georgia, but Owens Illinois shut the mill down after the 1970 harvest due to a variety of reasons.

- Rainfall for the two years was not as high as anticipated

- Operating expenses were far greater than projected. For instance, on start-up, a boiler exploded at the mill. Then during the mechanical harvest a discarded D8 axle got into the mill with a load of sugar cane. It did not yield any sugar, but it managed to bend a set of 30-ton rollers. These and

other problems were expensive to fix.

- Sugar experts joined the staff, hired from Louisiana, South Florida and Cuba, to manage the project. However, growing, harvesting and milling procedures were different for each area. Management had trouble putting it all together. The parent company could not step in and help as sugar was an entirely new venture. Other challenges included

- The world sugar price fell to around two cents per pound.

- The U.S. Congress cut the Bahamian sugar quota.

- The Bahamian government was not overly helpful.

Finally, the parent company in Toledo decided to cut their losses and call it quits. The mill closing was hard on Abaco, and particularly hard on Cherokee. Fishermen there had sold their fishing boats to take steady, good paying jobs at the nearby mill. However, they were not prepared to return to the sea after being exposed to steady work and pay.

The ever expanding economy of Abaco flattened somewhat for several years after the mill closed, but it was during this interval that Abaco's tourism boom began to expand.

With the sale of the Owens Illinois assets to government in the mid-1970s, Snake Cay became government property. It has lain fallow for over 30 years but has recently caught the attention of developers and concerned nature lovers.

Today Snake Cay is a deserted outpost, a mere skeleton of its glory days. It and the surrounding wetlands are now being courted, coveted and considered by a variety of interests as to its future role. Snake Cay does have a bright future, but it is unclear at this moment what that role will be. The future for it and the surrounding wetlands seems to be destined, one way or another, to be kept in its present pristine condition.



The Robert Fulton was a majestic side-wheel excursion ship on the Hudson River that cruised between New York City and Albany. It was refitted as the headquarters for the Bahamas operation of Owens Illinois and had offices, a general store, a clinic and apartments for Owens Illinois personnel. It is shown here after it was landlocked with fill at Snake Cay.

Letters to the Editor

A couple of cottage industry ideas

Dear Editor,

I am a graphic artist here on Cape Cod and my husband, Rob, built a solar, cistern house on the crest of Little Harbour.

I just read the Abaconian with an article on Abaco needing economic development.

I am an avid gardener and two years ago I came upon a tropical plant called "Stevia" which I grew as an annual. It's an herb that is 10 times sweeter than sugar but it doesn't cause cavities or raise the blood sugar. It works better in liquids than solids but that's still quite an extensive market. It is widely used in Europe and accounts for a third of the sweetener market in Japan. It is not approved by the US FDA, probably because of other sweetener lobbyists but can be found in organic stores as an "herbal supplement." My husband, Rob,

read that Pepsi is trying to get the FDA to approve Stevia as a food so it can use Stevia as a sweetener and compete with all the "healthy" drinks. Pepsi is giving cuttings to tropical countries to grow. It is a tropical herb, but since Abaco seems to be warmer than Florida, I wonder if would survive year round on Abaco. If not grown on a grand scale, it would make a nice cottage industry where folks could put row covers on them if frost threatened.

I am also going to write Pinewoods Nursery to see if they could order a few plants as I don't think I can bring them in through Customs. Here is a link to a story on this:

http://www.wellnessresources.com/freedom/articles/stevia_derivative_to_become_big_business/

My second idea is a salt works. Last

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Traditional Junakanoo on GTC is on January 1

By Annabelle Cross

The Little Island Slammers Junkanoo group has worked throughout the year to design and paste the costumes for the 2009 parade. Those up early enough can find Arnold, Willard, Mikey and Leland already in the "shack" listening to Junkanoo music as they work. The sounds of the drums and cowbells are heard early in the evening as they practice. The music is as important as the costumes! Their efforts paid off and people lined the street on New Year's Day waiting for the parade to begin. The parade started on the hill and made its way down the main street, around the freight dock and back up the waterfront to the basketball court. The color coordinated costumes were beautiful and the little girls looked lovely in their little matching

skirts and shoulder pieces dancing ahead of drummers and cowbellers in red satin suits! New Year's Day was windy and the wind presented a challenge to those who wore the big, heavy shoulder and head pieces! After one lap around town the group performed on the basketball court. The crowd following the parade did not seem as big this year as in previous years, but the food vendors all seemed busy through the afternoon.

New Year's celebrations did not end with Junkanoo. After a chance to eat a quick dinner and grab some warmer clothes, everyone headed to Settlement Point for the firework display. The local volunteer fire department raised funds to purchase the fireworks for the annual display. It was an impressive display that began at 8 p.m.

The night sky was lit up as huge fire works exploded in the air. The echoes could be heard all over the island as the loud ones exploded. A special thank you goes to the Junkanoo committee and the volunteer fire department for their hard work each

year to make New Years Day exciting and memorable for the community and all of our visitors!

It is now quiet again and time to go back to school and the regular routine.



The Junkanoo parade held on Green Turtle Cay grew in number as people joined the dancers as they went through town. Many joined in the festivities as the parade started at the school, working its way down Parliament Street and returning along the waterfront.



The drummers and other music makers brought up the rear of the Junkanoo parade held on Green Turtle Cay on January 1, a traditional annual event for that town. The Lil Island Slammers expect to compete in the Senior Junkanoo competition to be held on February 21 in Marsh Harbour.



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Three groups of dancers were made up entirely of girls. This is the oldest group enjoying the rhythm of the drummers behind them.



Crowds lined the narrow streets and covered any available viewing site. Here the crowds are covering the old goal waiting for the dancers to arrive.



Members of the Lil Island Slammers, a newly formed group, were colourful in red suits. The group is under the direction of Arnold Newbold. They expect to compete in the Senior Junkanoo competition to be held in Marsh Harbour on February 21.

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the town area beginning at the ball park and progressing up past the Hope Town Harbour Lodge, then down back through town returning to the ball park where prizes were presented. The judging categories were Most Original, Most Festive and Most Bahamian. The overall winner received the grand prize of 1300 gallons of water (which is a very precious commodity in Hope Town). The second prize winner received a donation of \$100, and every entrant was lucky enough to win a prize which included three daily golf cart rentals and lunches at various resorts. "The whole event was great fun, and we ended with

a grand bake sale at the ball park," said organizer Wanda Sweeting.

The event was sponsored by the Concerned Citizens' Watch of Hope Town, a volunteer group which was started in 2007. The vision of the group is to help preserve the safe, crime-free town that they have all grown to love and enjoy and keep it that way for their children to enjoy for years to come. As well as working to control crime, the group focuses on positive things for the community to do. In addition to the Golf Cart Parade, the group organized Christmas caroling and a souse-out on December 16 and has organized beach clean-ups and placement of public garbage bins.



Under all the decorations shown here is a golf cart decorated for the Boxing Day Golf Cart Parade. Residents and visitors enjoyed decorating them in this now annual event on Elbow Cay.

Green Turtle Cay

By Annabelle Cross

Another year has passed and 2009 may be a year of uncertainty due to economic instability around the world. However, we must count our blessings and if we stop for just a few minutes, we can think of the many blessings of the past year. We were spared from the wrath of a major hurricane and were able to help hurricane victims in Inagua, Turks & Caicos and Haiti. New, healthy babies were welcomed and graduations and marriages celebrated.

The 2008 Island Roots Heritage Festival and Regatta Time In Abaco brought many visitors to the island and were very successful. Local government election ran smoothly and the council's budget was increased! A new playground at Amy Roberts Primary made the students very happy and the PTA should be very proud of their efforts. The new St. Peter's Anglican Church, with its beautiful stained glass windows is almost complete and we look forward to the dedication service in 2009. We still live a peaceful life compared to so

many in our country and around the world and for this we feel especially blessed!

Holiday events

The weeks leading up to Christmas were very busy with school, church and community celebrations. The annual Tree Lighting Service was held at Quincentennial Park on December 6th. The Administrative Buildings and grounds were all decorated and those in attendance enjoyed carol singing and the Christmas message. Refreshments were served and the children were treated to a visit from Santa who passed out holiday treats.

Amy Roberts Primary held a Christmas Recital at The Miracle Church of God and each grade entertained the packed church with carols and poems. District Superintendent Lenora Black was in attendance and spoke briefly. The concert ended with the entire student body singing popular carols with Mr. Robert DeMario accompanying on the guitar. Refreshments and Christmas

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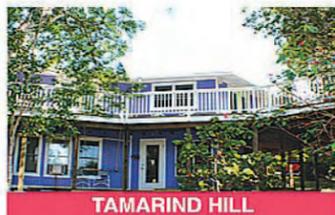


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cards designed by the students were on sale after the concert.

The Methodist Church held its annual Candlelight Service early in the month. This holiday service began many years ago and is one of the few that has continued every year. The Gospel Chapel held a Sunday School Program and a Cantata. The New Plymouth Community Fellowship Church held youth programs at its new location in what was once the Sea View Restaurant. At a time when everyone is so busy, these traditional programs make us stop and remember the true meaning of Christmas.

After the summer of 2008 it was very quiet on Green Turtle Cay. School was back in session and everyone back into a rou-

tine. This traditionally quiet time seemed extra quiet and everyday the news reminded us that it may be quiet for a long time. However, the holiday events livened up the town and by the weekend after Christmas the town was busy again. Again this year many visitors chose Green Turtle Cay as the place to ring in the New Year. At the stroke of midnight church bells rang, fire crackers popped and fireworks exploded to welcome 2009. Celebrations continued into the wee hours of the morning at local night clubs and parties.

The local churches held their annual "Watch Night" services on New Year's Eve. For most churches the service ends at midnight. After midnight groups gathered either at the basket ball court or the parking lot at Sid's Grocery to enjoy traditional

soupe and johnnycake. We should all be grateful to live in a community where it is still safe to gather outdoors at all hours of the day and night while our children play freely in the street. After the celebrations it was off to bed for a few hours before Junkanoo!

Wine Tasting will benefit Island Roots Festival

The Island Roots Heritage Festival Committee will host An Evening Under the Stars at the Green Turtle Club on January

17th at 6:30 p.m. This event will be under the patronage of The Prime Minister of The Bahamas, the Hon. Hubert Ingraham. The evening is sponsored by Burns House and complimentary wines and sparkling ciders will be served with a huge selection of hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are \$40 in advance and are available from committee members. All proceeds will help fund the 2009 Island Roots Heritage Festival to be held in

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Guana Cay students perform for Christmas



The Great Guana Cay All-Age School celebrated the Yuletide Season with a short Christmas program on December 12. Three students, Ghannen Lowe, Chloe Bethel and Mirabelle Adams, performed by reciting poems and Bible verses to an audience of parents and well-wishers. The program was enriched by traditional Christmas carols which were adapted by parent and music director Michael Adams to suit the Guana Cay location. Also

in attendance were District Superintendent, Mrs. Lenora Black; Education Officers, Ms. Felamease Sawyer and Mr. Kenneth Romer; and Hope Town District Councillor, Mr. Glenn Laing. Cheerful Christmas accessories were created by Teacher Diane Williams and Mrs. Anyes Adams. Music accompaniment was by Mr. Michael Adams, who strummed along with the children. It was an enjoyable occasion.



The parishoners of St. Peter's Anglican Church on Green Turtle Cay have rebuilt their building. The new structure is a beautiful addition to their town and will be dedicated later this year. It has been under renovation for many months.

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May. Ferry service will be available from the Treasure Cay ferry dock at 6:15 and returning at 9 and 10 p.m.

Man-O-War

Man-O-War School has had an exciting first term. Our students are doing well, and many of them are involved in extra-curricular activities such as music, sailing and various clubs. One of their favourite things to do is sing, and we have had the chance to use their talent at several events during this past month. On December 5th our students sang several songs at the Ministry of Education's Christmas programme at the Church of God in Dundas Town.

They also sang for their parents at the end-of-term Christmas party and performed at a local church programme as well.

Speaking of Christmas, we would like to thank all those who have helped at the school this term. We would especially like to thank our volunteers, including Brianna Maxwell, a home-schooler from Scotland Cay who spends two days a week assisting our principal. A special note of thanks goes to the homeowners of that island who gave books, school supplies and a generous cash donation. Last, but certainly not least, we would like to thank Commonwealth Bank for its gift of a laptop computer and an LCD projector. We are so blessed here at our school, and it is because of people like these.



The Man-O-War School students enjoy singing, particularly at Christmas time. Here they are performing at the island-wide Christmas Carol service held at the Dundas Town Church of God on December 5.

New Marsh Harbour runway is almost complete

By Julian Lockhart

Marsh Harbour has been promised a new runway at the airport for years and finally the runway has been completed, but the opening of this new runway is still up in the air as there are no runway lights. And the new terminal is not being talked about.

However, for the continual development of Abaco as a tourist destination of choice, the opening of this runway is paramount and needs to be done so in a timely fashion. Already Net Jets, a leading private jet company, is refusing to land at the Marsh Harbour International Airport because of damage to its planes caused by the conditions of the current runway. At this time they are flying only into Treasure Cay.

Representative for South Abaco, Mr. Edison Key said, "I don't know exactly the time frame for the runway to be opened, but I think it will be in the first or second quarter of 2009. It is very important for the runway to open because you have Baker's Bay and Winding Bay and all the cays where there are hundreds of second homeowners and it is important to them. The new runway will play a major role in the development of Abaco," he added.

If guests have to fly into Treasure Cay and pay hundreds of dollars just to get to the Abaco Club or over a hundred dollars to get into Marsh Harbour just to start their vacation, it will definitely make a number of them reconsider how many times they visit Abaco. Then there is the inconvenience of the extra half an hour drive just to reach their desired destination.

Faron Sawyer, who owns Cherokee Aviation, will take a major hit as Net Jets is one of the larger contributors to his business. With Net Jets already stopping their

flights into Marsh Harbour, the fear is other jet services will join in their refusal to land in Marsh Harbour until the new runway is opened.

The new runway is 6,100 feet long, compared to the 4,500-foot-long runway already in place.

Outgoing Director of the Abaco Tourist Office, Don Cornish, said it would be nice if the legacy carriers could bring their larger jets in but Abaco also needs the hotel capacity to accommodate the added tourists if the airlift does come. So the infrastructure has to be put in first before Abaco can attract the larger numbers on a consistent basis. In order for the Abaco tourism product to increase and to improve, air capacity needs to increase.

Mr. Cornish said for now they are hoping the runway can be done in the coming months and that everything can be finished before the end of 2009.

Mr. Cornish said, "I think it is important for the new runway to open, and we will be looking for air capacity in our planning. The legacy carriers in particular are going to be concerned about the narrow window we are giving them to bring their aircraft in."

"Most of the flights originating in South Florida in particular are into Abaco and out before official sundown. So persons coming from the west coast or Canada are going to find it difficult getting to Abaco without spending a night in South Florida. It takes a travel-savvy person to know what to do. So as we look for new business, the airport becomes increasingly important. If we are able to provide night flying, the legacy companies can come in on a more relaxed schedule," he concluded.

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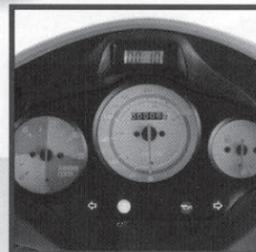


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BAIC is encouraging more Bahamians to farm

By Julian Lockhart

The majority of produce consumed in The Bahamas has to be shipped in from foreign markets, as The Bahamas has yet to consistently produce a stream of top notch



Edison Key, MP
Chairman of BAIC

produce to the market. Chairman of the Bahamas Agricultural and Industrial Corporation (BAIC), Mr. Edison Key, is hoping to change this with a

new agriculture mandate and the designation of hundreds of acres of land on Abaco for the sole purpose of farming.

Bahamians have never been able to farm on a consistent basis in The Bahamas because of the lack of nutrients in the soil, the thin top soil and how expensive the product is when it gets to the open market compared to the same product that is shipped in.

Mr. Key, who is also the Member of Parliament for South Abaco, said, "I am

executive chairman of the Bahamas Agricultural and Industrial Corporation and the Prime Minister has mandated the Ministry of Agriculture and Marina Resources along with BAIC to fast forward the agricultural sector and food security for the country.

"Here on Abaco we are laying out a square mile, which is 640 acres, just south of Spring City into agricultural plots. Shortly after the first of the year these will be made available for serious persons only to be able to lease a plot of land. We also have 500 acres in the Normans Castle area, and we have completed the survey and field layout in that area as well, so we are ready to roll," he added.

The land is broken up into five to ten acre plots, and there will be an initial price for the survey and lay-out of the field. Then the price will be \$25 per acre each year after that. Mr. Key said anyone who is interested in series farming is welcome to contact BAIC and sign up for a parcel of land and help feed the nation themselves. BAIC will help with the initial set-up, training and purchasing of equipment to give any interested farmers a head start.

One of the problems in the past is that

too many farmers were planting the same produce and thus flooding the markets with too much of the same product, thus creating a problem. BAIC needs to ensure that different farmers or different islands plant products that will supplement each other and not compete against other farmers. Also the prices have to be comparable to those shipped in from overseas. Otherwise the consumer will buy what is best for their pocketbooks instead of buying Bahamian. Government did pass a law that forced consumers to buy chicken at home to support the local chicken farmers and the same may have to be done to ensure the purchase of local produce.

Mr. Key said, "We are looking at Abaco and Andros and other islands that we can develop mechanized farming. BAIC has some 10,000 acres south of Spring City all around the marls and into the sugarcane areas that are all prepared and all we have to do is put the machines in there and you are ready to go. It is going to be important that Abaco and Andros become the catalyst to feed the nation. The first thing we will do is make land available. Then we will purchase the farm tractors and implements for the tractors. We will also be able to teach the young people here who have never had any experience in farming to make sure they do things right," he concluded.

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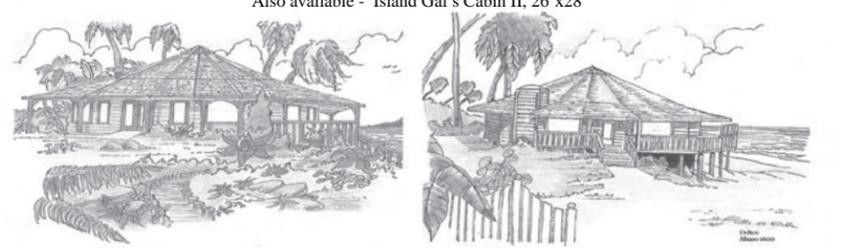
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Elizabeth Pitcairn Performed at Pete's Pub

By Jennifer Hudson

The gallery at Pete's Pub rang out with the beautiful sounds of violin music once again on New Year's Eve when Elizabeth Pitcairn, now an internationally acclaimed performing and recording artist, performed for family and friends as she has done as a New Year's tradition since the age of 12 years. What a wonderful privilege it is to be able to listen to such a talented international artist on the island of Abaco and how generous of her to share her talent in this way. People stood spellbound as she displayed her virtuosity on the instrument and a group of very young children sat mesmerized.

Ms. Pitcairn was introduced by her former violin teacher, Mr. Robert Lipsett, music professor at the University of Southern California who presented her as his "prize student" and his pride in her was evident as he watched her performance. "This New Year's Eve performance is very special for me as 2009 is a special year," said Ms. Pitcairn. "My father first came and looked at Bridge's Cay in 1958 and then purchased the cay in 1959 so this year will mark 50 years of being on the cay," she explained. "It has been great to grow up in such a wonderful community with Pete and his sons as neighbours." It has become a tradition for family, along with Ms. Pitcairn's former teacher and other friends, to spend the holiday on the cay.

Ms. Pitcairn's recital began and ended with pieces by Paganini, who is known for his fiendishly difficult compositions for the violinist. These were interspersed with a Gypsy Air by the Spanish composer Pablo de Sarasate which also displayed Ms. Pitcairn's tremendous virtuosity. Everyone



Elizabeth Pitcairn with her violin

in the gallery was standing for the performance as there is no seating but had we not already been on our feet I know everyone would have risen in a standing ovation as there were shouts of "encore" as soon as the last note was played. Ms. Pitcairn obliged with a spectacular performance of Paganini's Perpetual Motion which did indeed keep her fingers and bow flying.

This celebrated violin virtuoso is the proud and privileged owner of the legendary 1720 "Red Mendelssohn" Stradivarius violin. It is called the "Red Mendelssohn" because of its unusual red colour and was made by the Italian violin maker, Antonio Stradivarius, the most renowned violin maker of all time. Soon after it was made this violin appeared to vanish and no one knows where it went or to whom it belonged for more than 200 years until it was discovered in the possession of a member of the Mendelssohn family in the 1930s. In 1990 it was sold at a Christie's auction in London for \$1.7m which is the highest price ever paid at auction for a musical instrument. It was stated after the auction, "The buyer is an American who does not wish to be identified." The buyer was, in fact, Ms. Pitcairn's grandfather who presented it to his extremely delighted granddaughter for her 16th birthday.

At her Pete's Pub concert Ms. Pitcairn played on a more modern violin as the humidity of the Bahamas is too detrimental to stringed instruments to risk bringing the Strad but for most of her concerts she performs with her Stradivarius.

Various people speculated as to what had happened to the violin during its "missing" years and one of these people was Francois Girard whose speculations provided the narrative for the 1999 Academy Award winning movie, The Red Violin. The film tells the story of a violin and its many owners spanning three centuries and five countries and which received its red colour from the blood of the violin maker's wife who died during childbirth and which was mixed with the varnish. Ms. Pitcairn is one of very few artists who performs the Red Violin Chaconne from the sound track of

the movie.

Ms. Pitcairn is looking forward to a full year of international engagements and within the first few months of 2009 she will perform in various locations within the United States, beginning with a performance at the World Financial Centre in New York. At the end of January she will make her debut as soloist with the acclaimed Puerto Rico Symphony Orchestra, then onto the United Kingdom and Sweden where she is excited to be performing a violin concerto commissioned especially for her by Swedish composer Tommie Haglund with the Helsingborg Symphony Orchestra.

A line of the most delicious assorted dark chocolates is now being marketed by Ms. Pitcairn. These chocolates, which are produced in Ecuador by her chocolatier cousin, are presented in a "Red Violin" box featuring a picture of Ms. Pitcairn with her Stradivarius. I can personally vouch for how delectable these chocolates are as Ms. Pitcairn kindly presented me with a box which she signed. They are available for purchase in the Gallery at Pete's Pub along with several of her CD's and copies of the movie "The Red Violin" which is well worth viewing if you haven't done so already.

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The funeral service for Angeletta Roberts, 50, of Sandy Point, was held on December 27 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Sandy Point. Rev. Napoleon Roberts officiated assisted by other ministers. Interment followed in the Sandy Point Public Cemetery.

She is survived by children Shantell Roberts, Shadell McKinney, Shakanlia Deveaux, Shawn and John Roberts and Gregory Deveaux Jr.; grandchildren Kesean, Tysean, Vashawna and Shavantae; stepchildren Simone and Vincinette; sisters Cynthia and Denise McKinney; brother Eric Roberts; adopted brothers Lowell and Emery Burrows; nieces Cynthia, Daiesha and Danisha; nephews Tahron and Tahran Edgcombe; adopted nieces Lanette and Florence; aunts Jenni-

mae, Louise and Muriel; daughter-in-law Valencia Roberts; adopted sister-in-law Arnette Burrows; godchildren Ralph, Alvin and Bradley, Jr.; cousins Ella, Sheila, Glen, Janet, Shirley, Nelson, Tyrone, Charlotte, Gertrude, Myra, Claudia, Calvinique, Tyrika, Angelo, Jr., Ezra, Lincoln, Tamara, Delphine, Deon, Gregory, Timothy, Charles, Raymond, Naydean and Sheila Pratt; special friend Gregory Deveaux, Sr.; and many other relatives and friends.

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Man overboard is not found

On December 19 a man jumped off the Sea Wind after it left Sandy Point bound for Nassau. The man, 31-year-old Roger Lamont Walkes of Murphy Town, was traveling alone on the fast ferry when he jumped overboard. The boat immediately turned around but was unable to locate the man. The Bahamas Defence Force, the US Coast Guard, police and private boats searched extensively for him for two days but were unable to find him and presume that he drowned.

Mr. Walkes' family described him as "mentally unstable" and felt that his mental condition may have been a contributing factor to his jumping overboard.

New airline will service Marsh Harbour

SkyBahamas Airline expects to begin service into Marsh Harbour soon and will fly to and from Marsh Harbour twice a day from Nassau. It services several other Family Islands already including Exuma, Bimini and Freeport. It uses a SAAB 340A, a 33-seat aircraft and provides full cabin service that includes complimentary juice and or water and special Bahamian-made treats for all passengers.

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Club News

Rotary's end of year 2008

By Mirella Santillo

The end of a year is always a busy time for Rotarians on Abaco. This year was not any different. A very well attended Thanksgiving dinner, well prepared by Rotarians was held on November 25th. Apart from a couple of other fund raising functions, the last few weeks of the year were dedicated mostly to the bell ringing which started on November 14th, ending with food packing and distribution of parcels throughout Abaco.

There was a record number of people needing food this year, but whatever was not collected through bell ringing was

supplemented by kind donations from the community, enough to buy dry food items and chickens to fill 164 parcels which were delivered by Rotarians. The packing took place on December 16th. Nearly all the club members attended; they were helped in their efforts by several students of the St. Francis de Sales' Interact Club. So the whole operation was accomplished in no time. There were pizza and drinks to fuel the efforts; it turned out to be a very convivial evening. Mrs. Jo-Ann Bradley chose that evening to announce that the community had pledged \$40,000 dollars towards the Fire Hydrants Project, a cause to which she actively put her efforts from the beginning.

Nearly three years ago the Rotary Club of Abaco decided to apply for a grant from

Rotary International to buy and install more fire hydrants in Marsh Harbour, Dundas Town and Murphy Town. The Marsh Harbour Volunteer Fire Department helps fight the many fires plaguing the island, Months later, after all the necessary documents had been compiled and sent, the answer came back suggesting that the club apply for a competitive grant which, if granted, would allow for the purchase not only of over 50 fire hydrants but also a fire truck and much needed equipment for the firefighters. The requisite for that grant was financial community participation. And now over \$40,000 dollars has been pledged by a variety of business and professional people, hardware stores, insurance companies, lawyers, small businesses and more.

Bahamas, including Abaco, each donated \$500 towards the purchase of an artificial leg for Mr. Joseph Sawyer, who had lost a limb to complications or diabetes in the fall.

During the last part of the year, two distinguished speakers were invited to visit from Nassau. On November 25th Mr. Roger Kelty talked about "everything you always wanted to know about Rotary, but were afraid to ask." Mr. Kelty, a past president of the Nassau East Rotary Club and a former Vice-principal at Queen's College was well acquainted to some of the local

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One of the major events of the Rotary Club of Abaco is raising money for purchasing food for the needy. Bell ringing outside the major businesses in Marsh Harbour began in November and continued for a month when members boxed the food ready for delivery. Shown here are Abaco's Police Chief, Supt. Sean Norville-Smith; Administrator Cephas Cooper; Social Services Director Salomie Gibson; and contributor Freddie McIntosh.

On December 13th the Rotary Club ran the bar at the Christmas Festival and there again many members lent a hand to set up and serve drinks.

On a more personal touch, Rotary provided help to two Abaconians faced with hardship this year. Mrs. Cynthia Curry, who lost her house and her furniture in a fire in April was provided with a refrigerator, compliments of Abaco Hardware, the Rotary Club and Abaco Insurance Company now that her home has been rebuilt. Several Rotary Clubs of The



President of Rotary Club, Mike Malone, is shown accepting a check from Bill Thorndycraft representing BREA, the Abaco branch of Bahamas Real Estate Association. The check is BREA's contribution to the fund Rotary needed to raise to apply for a grant for installing fire hydrants throughout Central Abaco.



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members. He taught Mr. "Lil" Bill Albury, Rev. Charles Carey and a guest, Mr. Robert Pinder, when they were students at the Queen's College. Dabbing his speech



The Rotary Club of Abaco honoured David Ralph by naming him a Paul Harris Fellow, the highest award the Rotary Club offers. Mr. Mike Malone, President of the Club, is presenting him with his certificate.

with humor and jokes, Mr. Kelty told the audience about the history and the meaning of Rotary.

The second speaker was another Rotarian on December 9th, Mrs. Yvette Bethell informed the club members about the various scholarships offered by Rotary, among them Ambassadorial Scholarships, available for one or two years and the Georgia Rotary Scholarship. She outlined in detail the scope of the programs and the eligibility requirements. More information can be obtained at <rotaryscholarbahamas@gmail.com>

The Christmas dinner was held on December 23rd. Although quite a few members had left town already, many remaining members brought guests, thus contributing to a healthy crowd. Former Administrator Mr Everett Hart, his wife

and his sister were among them and two vacationing Rotarians from New Jersey, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hyman also joined the event. And quite an event it was, as two inductions were celebrated that evening. Mr. David Ralph, owner of The Abaconian, became a Paul Harris Fellow, and Mr. Desmond Bootle became the newest club member.

On a sadder note Mr. Don Cornish announced his resignation as Club Secretary. He is leaving Abaco to pursue a career as an island administrator after a six month training period in Nassau.

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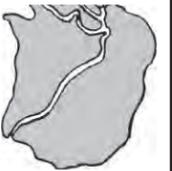
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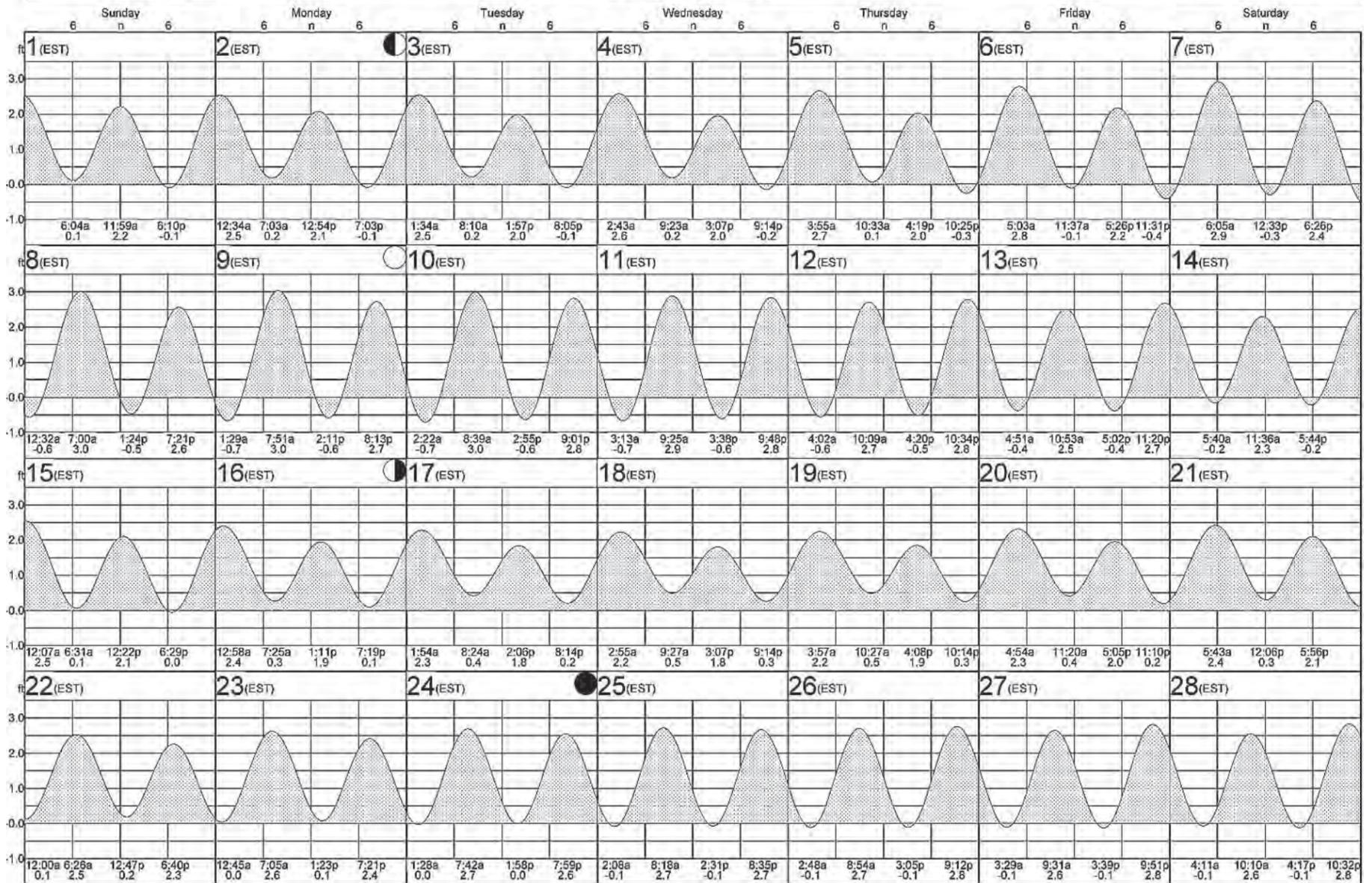


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Letters to the Editor

Letters *From Page 8*

summer I evaporated all the salt I would need for a year off my back deck in a few glass dishes here in New England. Has anyone thought to make Abaco natural sea salt? With the right packaging (and testing for any harmful metals, etc.) it would also be a creative souvenir.

Jill Maraghy

Supports making Snake Cay area a national park

To Whom It May Concern:

For the past 20 years I have been lobbying the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries via letters, meetings, phone calls and emails to protect the Snake Cay creek area. I am in total agreement with Friends of the Environment and the Bahamas National Trust to designate the area in question as a Bahamas National Trust Park. This is the only way it can be properly protected. The protection of the Snake Cay creek system would be a huge accomplishment for the future of Abaco as well as a positive message to all of The Bahamas.

I understand that the area will be designated a National Park, but that recreational and cultural activities like fishing, conching, boating and bonefishing will still be allowed. I am in agreement with the idea that the main purpose of this proposed park would be to protect the area as a cultural reserve to ensure that it remains a healthy breeding, nursery and juvenile habitat area for reef fish and marine life as well as being home to numerous native trees and bird populations. This marine life is extremely important to the Abaco fishing and tourist industries. The area would also provide a much needed site for eco-tourism opportu-

nities that will create sustainable jobs for Bahamians and compliment the already thriving tourism industry in Abaco.

I beg the Prime Minister to approve the National Park application as soon as possible!

Sincerely,
Frank Kenyon
Hope Town

A very helpful civil servant

Dear Editor,

I have had on a few occasions the need to call the building department in Marsh Harbour. When dialing 367-5227, chances are your call will be answered by Nicki Ferguson. Nicki knows how to answer a phone call. There is a very genuine tone of enthusiasm in her voice to serve you. She expedites and solves problems over the phone. She knows how to answer a phone call. Her desire to help and serve you is evident in her voice and attitude. It is always refreshing to talk to her.

Business owners, managers and government officials might want to call Nicki at 367-5227. I'm sure you'll see what I mean.

Bruce Marino
Lubbers Quarters

We are FRIENDS, not F.O.E

Dear Editor,

I would like to correct a bit of misinformation that has been printed in recent issues of The Abaconian. The correct acronym for the Friends of the Environment organization is FRIENDS, not F.O.E. The latter is an acronym for Friends of the Earth US, an activist non-profit organization based in Washington, DC.

FRIENDS has never had any association with Friends of the Earth. However,

FRIENDS is a Partner in Progress with The Nature Conservancy, the world's leading conservation organization. Both FRIENDS and The Nature Conservancy pursue non-confrontational, pragmatic so-

lutions to conservation challenges.

Thank you for correcting this misleading information.

Sincerely,
Nan Kenyon



Snake Cay is one of the cays in the Angel Cays chain. It is an extensive area of small cays, creeks, blue holes and mangroves, mostly government-owned that is under consideration for protection. Friends of the Environment and the Bahamas National Trust are proposing to make most of the area into a national park but with less stringent rules than most of the other national parks are under. It is a very popular area for bonefishing, kayaking and exploring. But it is most important as a nursery for many of the fish that populate our waters and reefs. If you want to express your opinion about preserving this area, The Abaconian will be pleased to print it.

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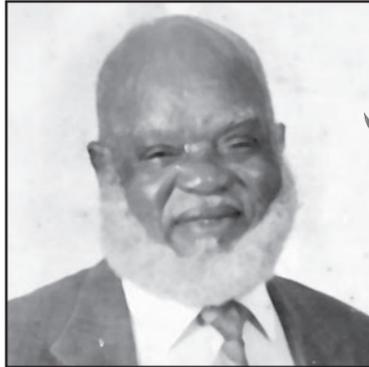
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Capt Roland Roberts House, reef exhibits	Green Turtle Cay
Memorial Sculpture Garden	Green Turtle Cay
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Walk to & swim on Mermaid Reef off M Harb. ..Pelican Shore	
Drive to & swim in Blue Hole	Treasure Cay farm road
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Working boatyards	Man-O-War cay
Pocket beaches • Crossing Beach in Marsh Harbour	
• Witches Point - 3 miles S. of Marsh Harbour	
• Little Harbour - 20 miles S. of Marsh Harbour	
• Cherokee - 23 miles S of Marsh Harbour	
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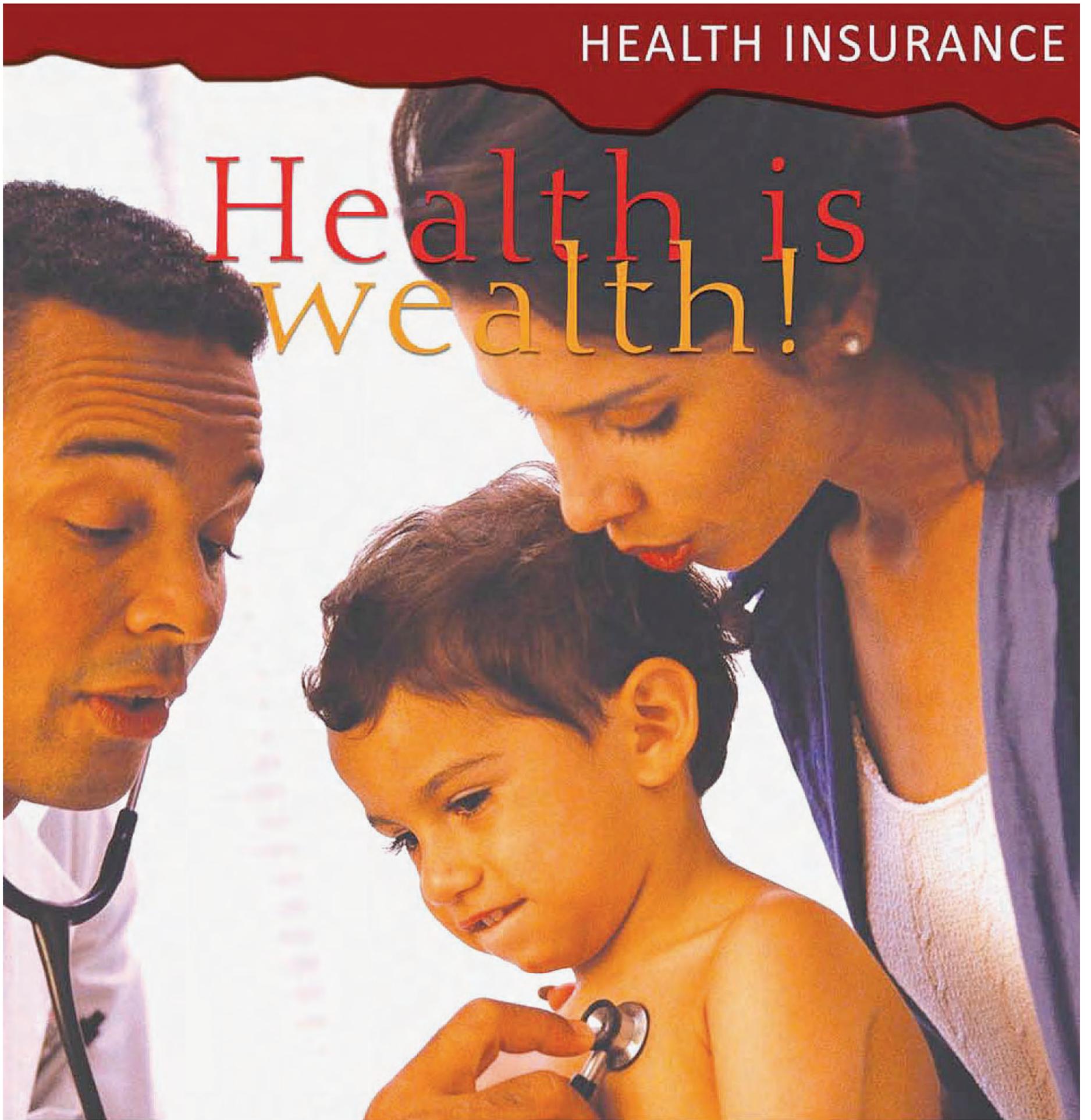
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The Abaconian

SECTION B



VOLUME 17 NUMBER 2 JANUARY 15th, 2009

North Abaco festival offered entertainment Three uniformed bands and locals performed



A Christmas Festival was held for North Abaco residents on December 22 at the Treasure Cay Primary School grounds. Three bands performed, the Royal Bahamas Police Force, the Royal Bahamas Defence Force and the Fox Hill Prison Guards. It was the first time that all three appeared at the same event. The men and women of the Police Band had a competition to see who could out-perform the other. Everyone enjoyed the ambiance of the event that had booths offering toys, games, accessories, crafts, Christmas goodies as well as food and drink. Santa gave out gifts to all the children who attended.

By Vernique Russell

Beyond all expectations is the most suitable phrase that can be used to describe the events that took place in North Abaco as an effort to spread the spirit of joy and happiness during this yuletide season. The first annual North Abaco Christmas Festival unveiled the spirit of Christmas and excitement as Abaconians gathered to experience the historic moment. On December 22nd people came by boat, plane, some in wheelchairs and even with canes to the Treasure Cay Primary School Park for the celebrations. The event itself was a treat and organizers have dubbed it a grand success. It was a first for North Abaco but I am sure it won't be the last.

Performances by choirs, schools, dancers and uniformed bands all made up the show. On hand for the event were Hon. Tommy Turnquest, Hon. Byron Woodside, Hon. Charles Maynard, Hon. Hubert Minnis and MP Edison Key. Bringing welcoming remarks was Chief Councillor for North Abaco, Stephen Pedican. He dedicated this first celebration to the memory of the late Rev. Cecil Forbes. Bringing remarks on behalf of the Prime Minister, who fell ill and was unable to make it to the

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Lumbering on Abaco

Part I - Wilson City through Pine Ridge

The Bahamas is not noted for its pine trees. However, four of the major islands have substantial stands of pine which have been harvested for lumber, mine props and pulpwood. New Providence has a dense human population and small forested areas so the pine woods there were not an

economic factor. However, the trees on Abaco, Andros and Grand Bahama are a natural resource and were extensively harvested in the last century. The logging industry was little publicized but a major element of The Bahamas' economy for the first seventy years of the last century.

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Island Roots Heritage Festival is sponsoring a

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Cherokee decorated for the holidays



Cherokee has a tradition of burning guys on New Year's Eve. This event attracts many from neighbouring towns. On the way to the shore everyone stopped to enjoy the Christmas scene in front of Mrs. Kathy-Ann Sawyer's house. Blow-up penguins, a snow man, Santa on a moped, Santa's express, a huge Christmas tree and more, all lit with hundred of lights, glowed in the dark, together with a large sign offering season's greetings. Some of the exhibits even played Christmas carols played each time newcomers went by. See story about the guys on page 4.

Murder suspect was arraigned



In the early afternoon of December 24th, 2008, Mr. Jackson Joseph of Marsh Harbour, center, was arraigned and charged with the murder of Mr. Vincent Zilma, also from Marsh Harbour. He was also charged with arson. Judge Crawford McKee read the charges and invited the accused to give evidence if he wished to do so. Mr. Joseph stated that he was made to confess and did not know anything about any crime. He requested a speedy trial because his girl friend is pregnant and due in July. He did not want the baby to be born while he was in prison for a crime he did not commit. Judge McKee answered that he should be remanded in jail for his own safety and set the preliminary inquiry for April 22nd, 2009. The accused asked not to be sent to jail but to a rehabilitation center. He was sent to Nassau later on that same day.

Stalls attracted crowd with food, crafts, toys, accessories

Festival

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show, was the Hon. Tommy Turnquest. He announced that for the first time in the history of The Bahamas all of the government uniformed bands performed at one event. After traveling throughout The Bahamas attending similar events, Mr. Turnquest came to North Abaco to climax the celebrations. He wished the crowd a Merry Christmas and a blessed, productive and safe New Year.

The program included the Fox Town Primary School, the Treasure Cay Primary School and the Cooper's Town Primary School performing recitals, songs and dances. There was a treat for the children as Abaco's Characters for Kids brought Sponge Bob, Dora, Boots and Spiderman to life to entertain the children in song and dance. A special visitor from the North Pole, Santa, stopped by to deliver presents to all the boys and girls who were in

attendance. The Dunamas Dancers of the Full Gospel Assembly of God in Treasure Cay performed a dance and then the bands performed. The first was the Royal Bahamas Defence Force Band, who thrilled the audience with a spectacular performance of a variety of Christmas songs and Bahamian selections.

The Royal Bahamas Police Marching Band amazed the crowd with its performance that featured a battle of the male and female band drummers. Also performing were the Her Majesty Prison, Royal Bahamas Defence Force and Royal Bahamas Police Force Pop Bands who sang popular Bahamian hits and worked the crowd up with their lively energetic performances. Finally, giving the audience a small taste of what is to come at the Abaco Junkanoo competition in February was the Treasure Cay Explorers, who lead the crowd into a rush out to climax the evening.

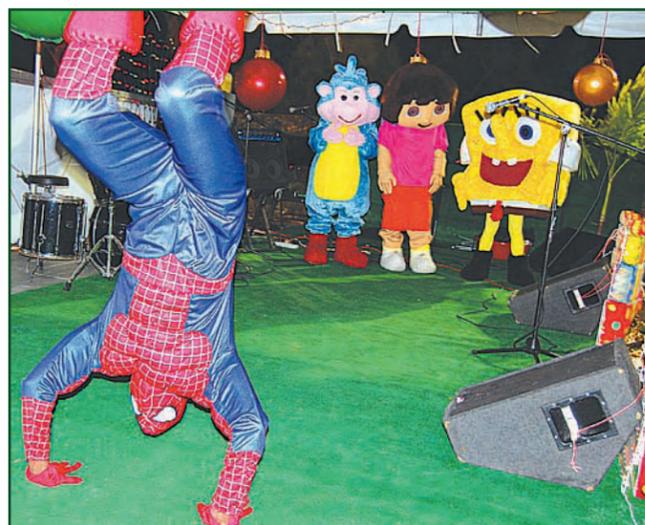
Other attractions included food vendors, game, clothing, shoes and accessories vendors and delights for kid, straw and craft vendors who all kept the crowd busy as they shopped. At the end of the evening the vendors were most appreciative to the crowd who patronized their businesses. The celebration was a grand success and it brought the communities of North Abaco together in the spirit of giving and sharing. Delivering smiles to the people in these times of crisis was the driving force behind the celebration and the purpose was accomplished.



Santa obliged the children of North Abaco by spending time at the Christmas Festival. The children all enjoyed being able to tell him their wishes for Christmas.



A large crowd enjoyed the festivities at the North Abaco Christmas Festival held at the Treasure Cay Primary School on December 22. Local musicians and dancers entertained the crowds along with the three uniformed bands. This festival and the one held in Marsh Harbour on December 13 got everyone in a holiday mood.



These four cartoon characters, Spiderman, Boots, Dora the Explorer and Sponge Bob, were present to entertain the younger children. They sang and danced and Spiderman even did gymnastics on stage.



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South Abaco News

Abaco Club laid off 12

The Abaco Club on Winding Bay has added its name to the number of hotels and resorts throughout The Bahamas that have had to lay off employees because of the worldwide recession. In an attempt to keep its 2009 budget within its corporate mandate, The Abaco Club placed 12 employees on the unemployment line just before New Year's Day 2009.

This will definitely have an impact on these employees and their families as they enter a new year without a job. Four managers and eight line staff were let go as the company has seen its number of guests drop from this time last year because of the global economic meltdown and the uncertainty of the world's financial market.

"I understand that the economy sucks, but it is still tough to lose your job after working with a company for so long," said one of the employees after learning of his redundancy. I will just have to go out and find a new job and I know that will be even harder, but I am sure there is something out there for me."

Winding Bay's Managing Director, Scott Bragg, expressed regret that the employees had to be laid off, but the 12 workers account for only about five percent of the to-

tal work force of just over 200 employees.

The Ministry of Tourism along with the government of the Bahamas is trying its best to entice visitors to the shores of The Bahamas, but a very slow Christmas and New Year's season is proving that the economy is just too tough for people to travel.

Winding Bay had 30 percent fewer guests this year over the holidays than it had last year and with real estate purchases and luxury buys on a hold, the prognosis for early 2009 is not good.

Mr. Bragg said, "Because of the declining tourism to The Bahamas it has been necessary to adjust the staffing levels at the Abaco Club to reflect the fewer number of members and guests that will be expected this year. We do sincerely regret the loss of the jobs. But with the global economy the way it is in the downturn, it has significantly impacted the world and tourism, especially with us being so close to the United States. This is a challenge that is expected to continue here throughout 2009," he concluded.

Cherokee Sound Celebrates the end of the year

By *Mirella Santillo*

Under a crescent moon punctuated by bright Venus, nine Guys mounted on poles were lined up on the beach waiting to be set on fire. As soon as dusk fell the residents of the settlements made their way to the site. It was December 31st, 2008, in Cherokee Sound. Many outsiders had traveled to Cherokee Sound from Marsh Harbour, Casuarina and Sandy Point, even from Leisure Lee, to witness the burning of the Guys which heralded the end of the year.

As the crowd swelled on the shore socializing, fireworks and flares shot to the sky to meet the stars. And soon the manikins were doused with fuel and set on fire. People watched, mesmerized by the flames that suddenly lit the scene, outlining the shadows of at least 100 on-lookers. It took a while for the nine Guys to disintegrate; some more reluctant to burn than others had to be doused again. Finally, they were reduced to ashes and fireworks announced the end of the show; but the fireworks and the flares went on exploding well after the burning, their sound and light accompanying people back to their houses or their cars.

According to a native of Cherokee Sound, Mr. Patrick Bethel, the event has taken place as far as he could remember

and before. It is supposed to be a commemoration of the tentative explosion of the English Parliament in London by Guy Fawkes. The coup did not succeed, but the custom to burn Guys every November 5th remains to these days in England and some of the ex-colonies.

The reason why that event is held in December in Cherokee Sound is not very clear. The settlement was established as a fishing village and a possible explanation for Guy Fawkes to be celebrated in December, according to a former resident, is that all the fisherman were at sea in November but back home by the end of the year. Whatever the reason, it is a popular custom that always brings many visitors to that quaint fishing village.



Cherokee Sound has several long-time traditions. One is to have Santa visit the town on Christmas Eve. He hands out gifts to the children and generally brings cheer to the residents. Now people from many communities attend this event. After Santa leaves, the town women provide a hearty dinner for everyone. The dinner was served in the W.W. Sands Community Center.

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"Lacey Daze" Spectacular 4 bed/ 3 1/2 bath, fully furnished, CBS home with panoramic ocean views and direct beach access from every room but one via decks and patios. The main house has living/ dining/ kitchen/ master bedroom suite, two guest bedrooms with bath, powder room, double garage and utility/workshop area. Included with its own entrance is a private king size 1 bedroom/ 1 bath apartment with an open living/ dining/ kitchen with its own deck. Many features.
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GALLEON BAY ESTATES

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"Fish Tales" unique canal front 3 bed / 3 bath home on 2 full lots, 180' waterfront with 118' serviced dock, deep water, great for larger boat. MUST SEE! MLS\$1,725,000 + 7.5%

LEEWARD BEACH ESTATES

"Trident"/"Turquoise Seas" You cannot be more "on the beach" than in this special home. Offering 3 bed / 3 1/2 bath in the main house with detached garage / bed / bath / attic plus storage. Vast deck oceanside with widow's walk. WOW!
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"Cross Winds" Split level CBS home extra large lot across from 2 beach greenways. Private. Master bed/ bath suite upstairs. Lower level 2 bed / 2 bath, cozy living room/ kitchen/ dining/ utility. Apartment annex 1bed/ 1 bed, living kitchen, enclosed patio. Plus! Plus!
 Plus! MLS \$755,000 + 7.5% closing

"Surf Shack" This CBS totally renovated two-storey luxury modern home is located on a large corner lot in the prestigious area of Lee ward Beach and Sunrise Point. Both levels include 4 bed / 3 1/2 bath plus above ground pool with wrap around deck. many, many more features, i.e. hurricane shutters and generator. "A definite must see!"
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WINDWARD BEACH ESTATES

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Church News

Change Ministries celebrated the opening of the Upper Level

By Mirella Santillo

Change Ministries celebrated the opening of its social center, the Upper Level, with a dedication ceremony held on December 28th. The Upper Level, located at the back of the church on the second floor, is furnished with two pool tables, 10 video games, a 60-inch television and a few tables for eating or just sitting and relaxing. It includes a bar where people can order fruit punches or sodas. "It is a place," said

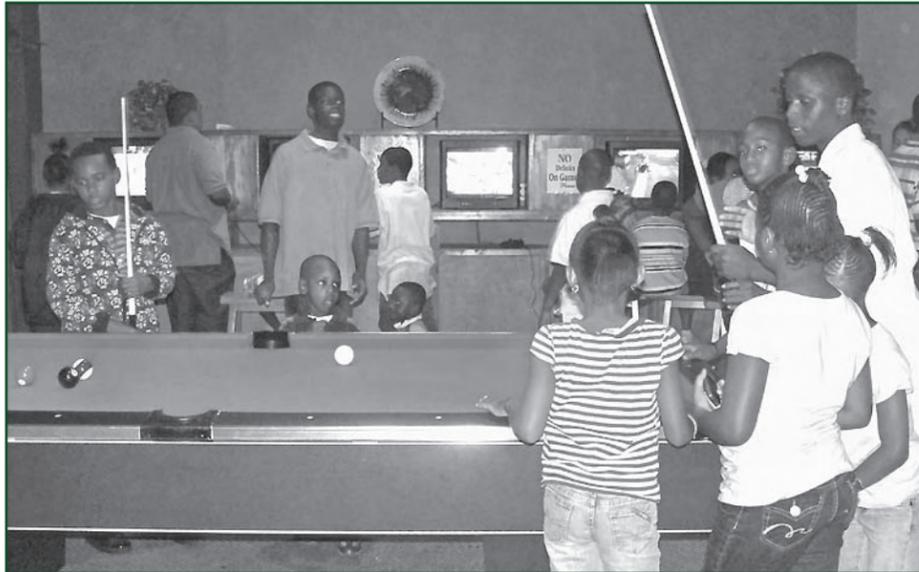
Ms. Antonise Nicholas, who conducted the tour of the premises, for Christians to socialize and for families to gather." One can spend Tuesdays and Sundays evenings there from 6:30 to 10 playing games and socializing while munching on hamburgers or finger food that can be ordered from the church kitchen or simply enjoying a soft drink. The place has become so popular since its inauguration that Pastor Samuel Cornish decided to keep it open on Saturdays also.

The Sunday following the dedication, close to 150 people frequented the place. Many children crowded around the pool tables, people stood around talking, some watched a football game. On Fridays the room is reserved for the youth of the church. Pastor Cornish explained that they have the room to themselves to play games, watch television or have a jamming session using the musical instruments at their disposal. They are monitored by Pastor Jerome Burrows and his wife Pamela.

The concept was to bring unity to families and to create a clean atmosphere for

children, said Pastor Cornish, who makes a point to visit during the nights that the Upper Level is open. He added that the Upper Level is not only for the Change Ministries' congregation, but for everyone who would like to enjoy the facility.

The Upper Level is available for rent for meetings, conferences or birthday parties.



Change Ministries in Murphy Town has outfitted an upstairs room with two pool tables, many video games, a large television and snack bar for people to get together. It opened late in December and has already proved to be very popular. Pastor Samuel Cornish wants it to be a place where families can reconnect and enjoy being together.

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Three unit townhouse #502 each unit is 1500 sq ft and fully furnished. Located behind John Bull in Marsh Harbour. Great rental income. Sale price \$650,000



Turtle Rocks Lot #519 \$40,700

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Lot on Galleon Bay, Treasure Cay \$275,000

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Lot D 8,676 sf \$34,700 gross	Lot I 10,474 sf \$83,792 gross
Lot E 12,010 sf \$96,080 gross	

For sale three lots located on South Lubbers Quarters in the Abaco Ocean Club Estate. Lots number 11, 44, 112. These lots are priced individually. 11,022 sf. \$88,000 gross
Lot #44 13,307 sf \$98,000 gross Lot # 112 20,485 sf. \$175,000 gross

For sale 15 acres of land at Baker's Heights near Leisure Lee off the Treasure Cay Highway. Priced at \$450,000, this property will go fast. Call today.

Two lots 84 ft. x 100 ft. near Treasure Cay, one mile northwest of Treasure Cay School. \$49,500 each

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Lot # 7 G4 size 12,600 s.f. \$63,000 gross

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"Trident House" # 317 - Superb 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath fully furnished, 3,500 s/f beach front home. **NOW \$1,999,000.**

"Fish Tales" # 808 - Elegant 3 bed, 3 bath furnished canal front home, 3,430 s/f under roof on 15,493 s/f landscaped parcel. 90' deep water frontage & dock. **\$1,725,000.**

"Flip Inn" - Windward Beach # 1008 - 2 bed, 2 bath beach home, plus garage on 2 parcels. Recently refurbished, tastefully furnished. 180' sandy beachfront **\$1,725,000.**

"Porter Place" - Brigantine Bay # 868 - Newly constructed, furnished 3 bed, 3 bath canal front home, 3,040 s/f under roof, double garage, 165' of dockage, new boat lift. **\$1,495,000.**

Windward Beach-Beachfront Home # 1191 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,550 s/f furnished beach home. 200' sandy beachfront, 32,724 s/f landscaped property, separate garage. **\$1,425,000.**

Palm Bay Harbourfront Home # 2 # 1071 - 3 bed, 3.5 bath new, 2,077 s/f, unfurnished waterfront home. Private garage, private boat slip with 20' beam. Fantastic panoramic water views **FINANCING AVAILABLE! REDUCED \$995,000.**

"Laguna" Galleon Bay # 745 - 3 bed, 2 bath single storey, 1,550 s/f canal front home, furnished, elevated landscaped lot, carport & garage, deep water dock with boat lift. **\$985,000.**

"Sea Cliff" # 733 - Exquisite Design, Fabulous Location, Water Views, 3 bed, 3 bath, 2 level home, 2 car garage on 1 acre elevated property. Elegantly furnished, 150 steps from beach. Excellent rental income history. **\$799,000.**

"Just Off The Beach" # 1210 - 3 bed, 2 bath, 2,244 s/f furnished home on 11,280 s/f parcel. Recently upgraded, well maintained, enclosed yard, close to beach. **\$295,000.**

"Home, Sweet Home" # 784 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,240 s/f furnished home on 13,500 s/f lot, close to beach. Adjoining lot also available. **\$268,000.**

Royal Poinciana Beachfront Condominiums -Phase 4 # 716 Premier 3 level, 3 bed, 4.5 bath, plus loft newly built condos on Treasure Cay Beach. 2,860 s/f under roof, attached garage. 644 s/f covered/open balconies/porches. **\$2,075,000.**

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Atlantis Condo 2112 - # 929 - 4 bed, 4 bath 2,000 s/f 2 level furnished waterfront condo on Brigantine canal, great water views, includes 2 large boat slips. Beach nearby. **\$865,000.**

Royal Poinciana #2612 - # 972 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 2nd level, furnished beachfront condo, fully renovated & re-furbished in 2000. Golf cart garage. Great sea & beach views. **\$865,000.**

Atlantis Condo # 2201 - # 1175 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,000 s/f, 2nd level furnished waterfront condo. Recently renovated, well maintained. Includes storage garage & private boat slip/dock. Near beach. **\$460,000.**

Atlantis Condo # 2202 - # 987 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 2nd level furnished waterfront unit, includes boat slip & golf cart garage. "Turn-Key", Near Treasure Cay Beach **\$465,000.**

Atlantis Condo # 2203 - # 1000 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 2nd level furnished waterfront unit, includes boat slip & golf cart garage. Overlooks Brigantine Bay, Near beach **\$465,000.**

Beach Villa 507 # 782 - Newly renovated, 2 bed, 2 bath 1,150 s/f villa, plus 592 s/f patios. Tastefully furnished. Many extras. Close to beach, marina, golf course. **\$490,000.**

Beach Villa 685 - # 958 - Attractive 885 s/f 2 bed, 2 bath furnished villa, Community pool, near marina & golf course, 2 minute walk to Treasure Cay Beach **\$399,000.**

Brigantine Beach Condo # 369 - 2 bed, 2.5 bath furnished townhouse, ocean views, close to beach, furnished, excellent rental history. **REDUCED TO \$398,000.**

Beach Villa 703 # 1209 - 2 bed, 2 bath 885 s/f furnished villa close to beach, marina, restaurants & shopping area. Great rental income potential. **\$349,000.**

Mariner's Cove Condominiums

1181 - 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 level, 1,650 s/f furnished harbour front condo, tastefully refurbished. **\$649,000.**

959 - 2 bed, 1 bath, 2 level furnished condo, overlooks marina, includes full size garage. **REDUCED TO \$279,000.**

454 - 2 bed, 1 bath, 2 level, poolside condo **\$295,000.**

928 - 2 bed, 1 bath 2 level unit, overlooks harbour **\$267,000.**

985 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 2 level "turn-key" harbour front end unit, Refurbished in 2000 **REDUCED TO \$271,500.**

655 - 2 bed, 1 bath condo with marina view **\$274,000.**

455 - 1 bed, 1 bath, ground level, poolside **\$185,900.**

Beachfront Parcel - Ocean Blvd. # 876 - 1.5 acres with 100' of beach frontage, on spectacular Treasure Cay Beach. All utilities available. Gorgeous beach & sea views. **\$1,510,000.**

Beach & Canal Lot Package #941 - Windward Beach lot with 100' of beach frontage on Sea of Abaco, PLUS Galleon Bay lot with approx. 76' of sea-walled canal frontage **\$1,446,000.**

Ocean Blvd. Beachfront Parcel # 1260 - Splendid 44,600 s/f parcel on Treasure Cay Beach, 75' beach frontage, all utilities available. Spectacular sea & beach views. **\$1,350,000.**

Windward Beach # 999 - 12,750 s/f Beachfront parcel with 85' of frontage on Sea of Abaco. All utilities available, great building site. **\$599,950.**

Brigantine Bay # 1200 - 13,664 s/f canal front parcel with 106' of bulkheaded deep water frontage. Includes dock & dolphin pilings, all utilities available. Superb water views. **\$525,000.**

Brigantine Bay # 841 - 11,220 s/f cleared canal lot with 80' protected deep water frontage on quiet street. New 40' dock & 16,000 lb boat lift. All utilities available. **\$485,500.**

Windward Beach # 817 - Half acre waterfront parcel directly on Sea of Abaco, 124' beach frontage. Newly installed sea wall. All utilities available. **\$482,000.**

Brigantine Bay # 1173 & 1174 - 2 adjacent deep water canal parcels, each 11,200 s/f with 80' bulk head. Cleared, all utilities available. **Purchase both & SAVE! EACH \$422,000.**

Galleon Bay # 422 - Prime 10,295 s/f cleared canal lot. 88' + protected canal frontage, all utilities available. **\$350,000.**

Brigantine Bay # 1193 - Choice canal lot of 13,200 s/f with 100' of bulkheaded sea wall. All utilities available. Great water views. Ready to build. **\$347,000.**

Galleon Bay # 1208 - Large 20,970 s/f canal parcel with 90'+ deep water dock & dolphin pilings. All utilities available. Fantastic building lot, great water views. **\$299,950.**

Rock Point Waterfront Parcel # 783 - 12,200 s/f lot near entrance to Treasure Cay Marina. 90' newly installed sea wall. Cleared, all utilities available. **\$289,000.**

MARSH HARBOUR

"Sea View" - Great Abaco Club # 1203 - 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 1,880 s/f furnished sea view home on 4,918 s/f parcel. Well maintained, great rental income potential. Includes private deep water dock. **\$769,000.**

"Paradise Point" # 659 - Furnished 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2,400 s/f waterfront home with porches & balconies on 1/2 acre, 193' elevated Sea of Abaco frontage, Fantastic views. **\$656,000.**

Beachfront Lot # 7 # 1197 - 24,710 s/f private & serene beach parcel with 126' frontage on Sea of Abaco. Utilities available. Spectacular sea views. **\$239,000.**

TURTLE ROCKS

"seaGlas Cottage" # 1237 - Charming 2 bed, 2.5 bath, 3 level furnished beachfront home on private 1.20 acre parcel. 1,800 s/f under roof, plus 900 s/f decks/patios. 100' sandy & iron rock shoreline. Panoramic sea views. **\$949,500.**

"Turtle's Rock" # 1062 - 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath furnished home on 1.18 acre parcel with 102' sandy beach frontage. Built in 2000. Very private area. **\$795,000.**

LEISURE LEE

"Double Eagle" # 757 - Recently renovated 3 bed, 3 bath, plus loft, 2,500 s/f furnished home on canal front parcel. 95' sea wall, 68' dock. Underground utilities. Near beach **\$776,000.**

Residential Parcels

1258 - 9,000 s/f canal lot with 87' of water frontage, 160' of lay-along docks & shared recessed boat basin **\$362,000.**

823 - 10,708 s/f canal lot w/130' frontage & 105' deep water dock w/ water & electricity, Fantastic beach nearby **\$345,000.**

886 - 12,828 s/f canal lot, 100' sea wall, 50' dock **\$329,000.**

602 - 15,334 s/f canal corner lot w/197' seawall **\$299,500.**

704 - 10,400 s/f elevated canal lot w/104' frontage **\$265,000.**

1080 - 12,100 s/f canal parcel with 110' sea walled canal frontage. Boat davits installed **\$249,500.**

811 - 10,400 s/f sea view corner lot, near beach **\$107,000.**

998 - 13,459 s/f canal view corner lot, near beach **\$ 96,500.**

567 - 2.139 acres on highway near Leisure Lee **\$149,700.**

GUANA CAY

"Ridge Runner" # 1185 - 6 bed, 4 bath, 3,100 sq. ft. furnished home includes main house, separate master suite, guest cottage, pool & dock situated on 1.74 elevated acres with 330' of shoreline. Superb panoramic water views. **\$2,599,000.**

"Secret Beach" Ocean Front Parcel 9A # 1267 - 19,190 s/f parcel with 100' +/- of Atlantic Ocean rocky shoreline & sand beach frontage. Good elevation, great ocean views. **\$299,000.**

"Secret Beach" Ocean Front Parcel 9B # 1268 - 16,144 s/f parcel with good elevation & 100' +/- of Atlantic Ocean sand beach frontage. Awesome ocean views. **\$299,000.**

Atlantic Oceanfront Parcel #746 - Approx. 1 acre residential parcel, 154' elevated shoreline near Orchid Bay community, great ocean views. **\$395,000.**

NORTH ABACO

Boiling Hole Parcel # 1022 - Total 11 acres sea-to-sea from Sea of Abaco to bay side. 153' high rocky shoreline on Sea of Abaco. (Also available in smaller parcels.) **\$299,500.**

Sunset Ridge Community Lots # 570 - 14 spacious residential lots from 14,792 s/f to 18,488 s/f. High elevation, close to Treasure Cay. All utilities available. **Starting at \$47,500.**

Boiling Hole Lots # 1030 - 2 Sea of Abaco waterfront parcels on Great Abaco Highway. Choice of 73' or 80' rocky shoreline, utilities available, great sea views. **Each \$95,000.**

GREEN TURTLE CAY

"High Point" Seaview Lot # 684 - Hilltop 0.405 acre parcel on White Sound Bluff overlooking Sea of Abaco, Fantastic Sea Views, Privacy, near beach **\$725,000.**

BAHAMA PALM SHORES

Beach Front Parcel # 714 - 45,343 s/f parcel, 100' beach frontage on Atlantic Ocean. Electricity available. Ideal site for permanent residence or vacation home. **\$349,000.**

Ocean View Lot - # 1036 - 17,650 s/f parcel with unobstructed Atlantic ocean view, just across street from beach. **\$155,000.**

Inland Lot - Near Beach - Large 21,450 s/f level lot on main street, electricity & telephone available **\$59,500.**

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North Abaco News

North Abaco

By Vernique Russell

Rev. Cecil Forbes is honored

The work and legacy of Rev. Cecil Forbes in Treasure Cay was honored on December 22 at the first Christmas Festival that was dedicated to his honor. Rev. Forbes was honored by the Treasure Cay Town Committee on which he served from 2001 to 2004. His service was described by Chief Councillor for North Abaco, Steve Pedican, as service above self. A plaque was presented to Rev. Forbes' widow, Mrs. Olive Forbes, as a token of appreciation of him. Rev. Forbes was a giant of a man who left footprints that are very hard to fill.

Farewell to Dr. Francois

The community of North Abaco was blessed in 2006 when Dr. Albert Francois was assigned to the Cooper's Town Community Clinic. Since his time on the island he has worked tirelessly to promote a healthy lifestyle among his patients. Upon arrival he took on an intuitive to make North Abaco the healthiest settlement in The Bahamas. Faced with numerous patients with incommunicable diseases such as hypertension and diabetes, Dr. Francois immediately begin to encourage patients to eat right and exercise. He held workshops and exercise sessions to assist persons to achieve their goals.

Sadly, the day has come that the community will lose Dr. Francois as he is being sent back to Nassau at the start of the year. He will be a greatly missed in North Abaco as he has been described by many

as the best doctor who has worked among us. His care for the people of the community was portrayed not only at the clinic but daily as he socialized and interacted.

The community of North Abaco bids farewell to Dr. Francois. For your time, service, commitment, dedication and loyalty to our community we say thank you. We would like to wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

Good Health 2009 Challenge

Calling all residents of North Abaco to join the Good Health 2009 Challenge! We are promoting healthy living, eating and lifestyle for longer, happier and more fulfilling lives in 2009 and beyond. We are inviting the public to participate in a program that will help you to lose weight and be supported by a group of persons who understand the struggle and have already overcome their challenges and successfully kept the weight off. The club will begin in January and interested person can sign up at the El Shaddai Christian Academy or can contact 475-7247 for further information. The group is offering a grand cash prize to the first person who successfully loses 10 percent of their body weight on or before March 16th. Together we can all empower each other to live healthier lives for our family, friends and more importantly for ourselves in 2009. Get onboard and let's get healthy!

Basketball Students are excelling

In September Sherlin Bootle High School and the Treasure Cay Sporting Club lost three of their star players who are on sports

scholarships in Freeport. As a follow up to the story that was featured a few months back, we can report that the boys are doing well. The boys, Basil Gerenus, Shavez Harts and Shaquille McDonald, have not only improved their athletics skills and educational skills, they are successful in every area of the life and are making former coach Godfrey Rolle and their parents very proud. The community of North Abaco is all very proud of you.

Treasure Cay Explorers

The sounds of cowbells and goatskin drums will fill the air as the rushers prepare to make their debut at the Abaco Junior and Senior Junkanoo parades in February. The Treasure Cay Explorers is their name. Under the leadership of Noel St. Claude and his team, Treasure Cay will participate for the first time in the senior group. Work is presently underway, and the team is busy getting its costumes together for the unveiling of the majestic and dazzling explorer. The members are warning the competition that they are coming to win. Therefore, there is no room for mistake. The group presently stands strong with over 100 members who are eager to display their talent and creativity. The music section promises to thrill the crowd and to rejuvenate the dead and tired bodies as the rush through the streets. The presentation that was delivered at the Festival at the Treasure Cay Primary was a sample of the talent that is alive and well in the group. In the early part of next year the Treasure Cay Explorers will take it to Don MacKay Boulevard in grand style. The Treasure Cay Explorers might be the new kid on the block but their expertise along with cre-

ativity and artistry will prove that they are the best in the land.

The Treasure Cay Town Committee has been assisting civic and cultural organizations in achieving their goals. Recently they donated funds to the Treasure Cay Emergency Services and their most recent donation was given to the Treasure Cay Explorers. The Committee presented the group with a cheque for \$500 to help defray the expenses of staging their grand debut as a senior Junkanoo group.

Police Christmas party

The Police of North Abaco hosted a fun-filled evening with friends and family to ring in the holiday season. The party was held at the residence of Administrator Theophilus Cox in Cooper's Town. Officers came from all over the island to celebrate with the officers of the north. There were lots of food, music and fun for all in attendance, and everyone who came enjoyed the event. The police officers of North Abaco a Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year to the residents of north Abaco. It is their hope that you would continue to work with them in the new year as they seek to maintain law and order in the community.

Congratulations

On December 26th love filled the air as Ms. Glendina Hinsey and Mr. Mills exchanged vows. The ceremony took place at the Soul Winning Church of God in Christ Church in Nassau. The wedding was followed by a garden reception at the home of Ms. Hinsey's aunt. Ms. Hinsey, now

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Mrs. Mills, is the Principal of the Amy Roberts All Age School on Green Turtle Cay and her husband is a native of Abaco who is pastor of a church in Nassau where he resides.

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School Thanksgiving & Award Day Ceremony

The Sherlin Bootle family along with Treasure Cay Limited recognized the students who have worked hard to succeed in school. Students were recognized for their academics, athletics and improved performances during the school year 2006-2007. During this assembly students also gave back to the community. As a result of a food drive at the school boxes of food were given to churches in North Abaco to be distributed to the elderly and needy person in our society. Present at the assembly was District Superintendent of Education for Abaco Mrs. Lenora Black, Ms, Paula Morley of Treasure Cay Limited and Senior Island Administration Cephas Cooper among other dignitaries in their respectful position. Once again the school's faithful partner Treasure Cay Limited has sponsored all of the trophies and plaques for the students.

The communities of North Abaco send

congratulations to the students for a job well done and encourage you to keep up the good work knowing that your labor is not in vain. Hard work today is a guaranteed recipe for success tomorrow. To Treasure Cay Limited we say thank you for your continued support and encouragement to the students of Sherlin Bootle High School. It is the support of companies like your that help our students to be the best that they can be.

Cooper's Town Primary Celebrated Thanksgiving

The Cooper's Town Primary School family celebrated thanksgiving in grand style this year. A special assembly and lunch was held at the school to observe the special day. Appreciation and gratitude was shown

by teachers and students for parents and well wishers that assist the school whenever needed. The event was very successful and appreciated by all who attended.

Facility Staff Appreciation Assembly

On the heel of the thanksgiving festivities, the staff and students of the Sherlin Bootle High School showed their appreciation for the facility management team (janitresses and yard custodian). The team was showered with gifts and other treats at an assembly held on December 3rd at the school. A special lunch was prepared for the team. According to Principal Huel

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Moss, this group of facility managers has some of the most dedication and committed persons that he has worked with and thinks that they deserve more. Recently the team has gained much recognition as song birds and they have been invited to perform at special events since the start of the school year. They have been a blessing to listeners wherever they sing. The team includes Mrs. Eleanor Bootle, Mrs. Marjorie McIntosh, Mrs. Brenetta Bullard, Mrs. Candy-Mae Murphy and Mrs. Lisa McIntosh along with Mr. Fredrick McIntosh. The communities join in with the Sherlin Bootle High School to say a big thank you to them.

Happy Leave of Absence

When the school year began in September, Sherlin Bootle had a new physical education teacher, Mrs. Kayla Hamilton. Principal Moss soon learned that she would go on maternity leave at Christmas. The staff hosted a baby shower for her before she departed to give birth. She is expected to return to school in the second leg of the school year. We wish for Mrs. Hamilton a very safe delivery and that the baby will be healthy.

National Report Card Day

December 18th was celebrated as National Report Card Day throughout The Bahamas. Parents reported to the schools of North Abaco to collect their children's report cards and to converse with their children's teachers about their work. Participation of parents in our schools was once again extremely high with parents flocking to the schools. The principals and teaching

staff would like to encourage parents to become more active in their children's education not only at report card collection time but to make frequent visit to the school and visit with teachers, keeping in mind that the contribution of both the teachers and parents will guarantee success.

The Homework Center

The Homework Center is now offering homework assistance and tutoring session and is located in Dormy Villas in Treasure Cay. Sessions are held Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The center specializes in reading and math development, projects and course work for BJC's and BGCSE's. The center also prepares students for their GLAT examinations. For further information and registration contact 242-475-7247.

Bake Sale is planned

The staff and parents of El Shaddai Christian Academy will host a bake sale on January 23rd to be held at the school grounds in Dormy Villas in Treasure Cay. Parents and staff will be going door-to-door to sell goodies. We are requesting that the public support our venture. The Bake Sale will feature lots of Bahamian and American sweet treats and will begin at noon. For further information please contact 242-475-7247.

The school will also host a Steak Out on February 7th at the Treasure Cay Primary School. It will begin at noon and donations for the dinner are \$12.

Church News

Royalty Ladies Ministries

If you're a young lady who resides in North Abaco and are between the ages of

11-18, you are invited to be a part of an exciting new girls club that is coming to the area. The club will official launch during January 2009 and it will cater to the spiritual and social development of those enrolled. The group will discuss social and current issues while addressing etiquette and personal hygiene. The leader of the group hopes to pass the message of hope on to the young ladies by promoting the Put God First method. For further information interested persons can contact Ms. Arsharie McDonald at 242-365-8561.

Revival in the Dundas Town

On January 9th to 12th the place to be will be the Ocean View Park in Dundas Town for a revival crusade featuring Evangelist Samuel Williams, Pastor James Williams, Pastor Bridgette Mills, Pastor Deon Gibson and Evangelist Lorenzo Coakley. The revival promises to be explosive and dynamic. Organizers are inviting the public to come and be blessed. This New Year Jesus is still the answer to all our troubles, and organizers are inviting you to try Him.

Prayer for the Nation

A special prayer service was held at the Church of God Cathedral in Cooper's Town on Thursday December 13th. The main focus of the prayer service was our nation. Disgusted by the murders, robberies and rapes that have been happening in our country recently, the Christian Council Abaco called for all believers to come together and pray. Believing and standing firm on God's word that declares, "If my people who are called by my Name would humble themselves, seek My face, repent and turn from their wicked ways then He would hear from heaven forgive our sins and heal the land", stations were set up in North Abaco, Central Abaco and South Abaco to pray for the healing of our land. The service in North Abaco begun at 7:30pm and brought churches together to pray and intercede. The Christian Council is encouraging members of the public to pray without ceasing for this Bahamaland. We are at a place in time where only God can deliver us and save our young men and

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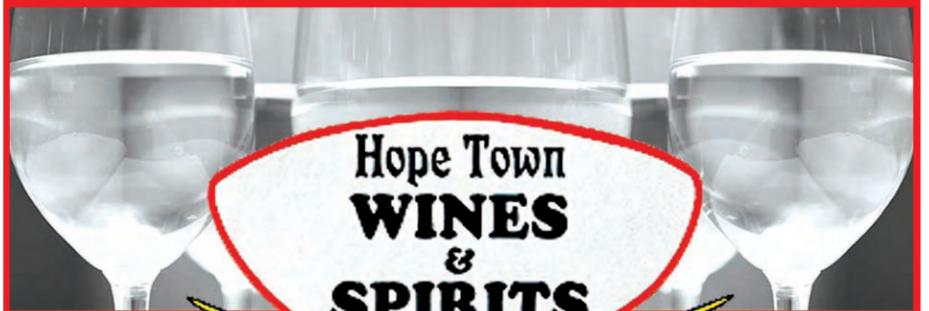
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ladies for the vicious plans of the enemy to destroy them. Let's be our brother's keeper and pray for one another.

Revival in the Park

Pastor Trevor Wilson of New Birth Ministries in Nassau hosted a weekend of Revival services at the Hubert Ingraham Park. People assembled in search of hope and a spiritual and financial breakthrough in these difficult and trying times. Services were held from the December 11 to 13th. Healing, deliverance and salvation were experienced as God manifested His glory to His people. Pastor Wilson and his team thanks everyone who supported their ministry while on the island.

Church Dedication

St. Peter's Anglican Church in Green Turtle Cay will be dedicated on January 26th in a ceremony beginning at 3:30 p.m. A special invitation is extended to the public to join Fr. Dwight Rolle and the congregations of the Anglican church families in North Abaco for this historic and joyous

occasion. The congregation has accomplished another milestone and will gather together to give thanks and praise to God Almighty. On hand for the ceremony will be Archbishop and Diocesan Bishop Drexel Gomez along with other officials.

First Annual After Glow Service

The Youth Department of Revival Time Pentecostal Church in Cooper's Town under the direction of Youth Pastor Rev. Yvette McIntosh hosted its first annual After Glow Service on January 1st. The early morning service that began at 1 a.m. was filled with laughter, excitement and energy. People came from other communities to be a part of the service that highlighted a play entitled What Kind of Church Is This? It promised to make the audience laugh until it hurt and surely the promise was delivered. The service featured the young adult ministry of the church in music, dances and drama.

A few nights prior to the After Glow Service, the church hosted its Christmas production, a play entitle Trouble in the

Church. Due to the humorous nature of the play, a replay was requested and delivered at the After Glow Service. The play itself portrayed issues that are now found in the churches and the featured play for the evening was a sequel to it. The message is simply that the church has strayed away from the values that it was built on. Other selections were rendered by visiting guests.

Also on hand was the president of the Abaco Christian Council, Pastor Ed Laroda, who brought brief remarks. The service ended with a Junkanoo rush-out around town to the sounds of the goatskin drums, cowbells and whistles. It began at the church continuing into Fire Road, then back to the church in Cooper's Town. Residents who were asleep were awakened to the sounds and came to the their windows and doors to enjoy the sounds of Junkanoo.

As rushing through the town was not new to the area, this rush-out brought back the feeling of the yesteryears.

Keep Abaco Clean

At the start of a New Year, people worldwide make pledges and plan things that they want to do differently or changes that they want to see. Well, one resolution we can all make is to help keep our island clean. We can all contribute to the conditions of our neighborhood and streets by encouraging others and ourselves to keep Abaco clean. When driving we can keep our trash in our cars until we can dispose of it properly. We can stop throwing bottles and cans along the street, and we can be better watchmen over our streets. If we see garbage, just pick it up. This is our island; let's keep it clean in 2009.

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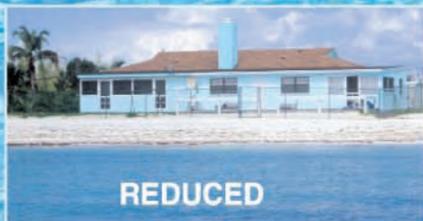
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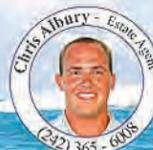
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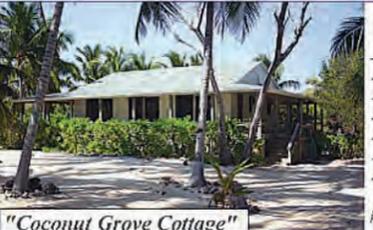
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- Land- 96'x84' - 8,064 s.f.
- Great Restaurant or Retail
#GGH1109 - \$867,500.



Man-O-War Cay Eastern Harbour
- 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
- 1,030 s.f. Residence -
- 1,290 s.f. Covered Deck
- 0.877 Acres
- 82' Ocean Frontage
- Semi-Private Dock.,
- Superb Ocean Views
#MWH1076 - \$1,550,000.



Great Guana Cay -
- 2 Bedrooms, 1 Baths.
- 768 s.f. Residence
- 336 s.f. Open Deck.
- Central Air
- Beachfront
- Central, Convenient Location
- Fabulous Ocean Views
- Fully Furnished
#GGH1108 - \$699,000.



Great Guana Cay - Dolphin Beach Estates
- 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths.
- 1,150 s.f. Residence
- 760 s.f. Covered Porch
- 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath
- 490 s.f. Apartment
- Workshop
- Great Views
- Near Settlement
#GGH1015 - \$550,000.

MAN-O-WAR CAY

- **"HARBOUR LIGHT"** - Dickie's Cay - 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths - 1,560 s.f. Residence - 1,040 s.f. Verandahs - 1 Bath Guest house - 1.824 Acres - Entire S.E. - Point of Dickie's Cay - Private Dock. Auxiliary Generator - Superb Views - Furnished. #MWH1099 - \$2,200,000.
- **"VIKING"** - Dickie's Cay - 5 Bedrooms, 3 1/2 Baths. - 3,360 s.f. Residence - 1,200 s.f. Covered Deck - 0.84 Acres Sea-to-Sea - Private 136' Dock - Auxiliary Generator - Superb Harbour Views - Furnished. #MWH1001 - \$1,995,000.
- **"FRESH WIND LANDING"** - Dickie's Cay - 3 Bedrooms, 3 1/2 Baths - 2,460 s.f. Residence - 1,400 s.f. Porches-Decks - 1 Bed, 1 bath Snore Box - 7,500 s.f. Land - Private 93' Dock. - 40 KW Aux. Generator - Superb Harbour Views - #MWH1107 - \$1,200,000.
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Green Turtle Cay
- 5 Bedrooms, 4 Baths
- 4,977 s.f. Residence
- 3.5 Acres - Sea-to-Sea
- 130' Ocean Beachfront
- 200' on Coco Bay
- Private Dock on Coco Bay
- 15KW Aux Gen.
- 600 GPD - Watermaker
#GTH1097 - Four Possible Sale Options - From: \$848,000 - for 1 acre w/dock lic. on Coco Bay. to \$3,490,000 for entire Estate



Great Guana Cay -
- 5 Bedrooms, 3 Baths.
- 2,212 s.f. Residence
- 848 s.f. Covered Decks.
- Land - 9,700 s.f.
- 2 Central A/C Units
- Storage, Generator Shed
- 12 KW Aux. Generator
- Income Producing
- Ocean View
#GGH1105 - \$491,000.



Green Turtle Cay
- 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath
- 1,455 sq.ft. Luxury Villa
- Covered Screened Porches
- Land - 7,554 sq.ft
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Man-O-War Cay
- 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath.
- 660 s.f. Residence.
- 240 s.f. Studio
- Dock House
- Land - Sea-to-Sea
36,775 s.f. - .842 Acre
- 100' Ocean Beach Front
- Private Dock On Creek
- Fabulous Views
#MWH1018 - \$1,250,000.



Man-O-War Cay
- 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths.
- 1,921 s.f. Residence.
- 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath
- 400 s.f. Guest Cabin
- 172' Ocean Beach Front
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- Fabulous Views
#MWH1019 - \$1,165,000.



Man-O-War Cay - Settlement
- 4 Bedrooms, 1.5 Baths.
- 1,240 s.f. Residence.
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- Beautifully Landscaped
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#MWH1020 - \$592,500.



Man-O-War Cay -
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- Furnished
#MWH1024 - \$499,000.



Man-O-War Cay - Settlement
- 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath
- Sleeping Loft
- 410 s.f. Cottage
- 0.217 Acre - 9,452 s.f.
- 160 s.f. Shed -Workshop
- Beautifully Landscaped
- Fully Furnished & Equipped.
#MWH1114 - \$340,500



Marsh Harbour - Sunrise Bay
- 4 Bedrooms, 4 Baths
- 4,468 s.f. New Residence.
- 1,742 s.f. Covered Verandahs & Balconies.
- 0.3394 Acre - 14,787 s.f.
- Swimming Pool
- 30 KW Auxiliary Gen.
- Boat Slip.
#MHH1084 - \$2,700,000.



Scotland Cay
- 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath
- 1600 s.f. of residence
- 785 s.f. wrap around porch
- 23,938 s.f. - .549 Acre land
- 180 degree views
- 250' to the Atlantic Beach
- 240 s.f. garage
- 28,000 gallon cistern
- Fully furnished
- Runway & Dock access
#SCH1093 - \$799,000.



Tilloo Cay
- 2 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath
- 800 s.f. residence
- 3.75 Acre, sea to sea
- 109' of frontage - on Sea of Abaco - 106' on Atlantic
- Boat basin with lift
- 170' of dock
- Swimming Pool
- Approved plans for 3/2 New England Style cottage
#TLH1086 - \$1,595,000.

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GREAT GUANA CAY

- **"BLUE LAGOON"** - Parcel # 45 - Orchid Bay - 43,480 s.f. - 0.9982 Acre - 190.88' on Sea of Abaco frontage - prime building site - +/- 15' elevations - Orchid Bay amenities - Allows for private deeded dock - mature trees. #GGV1087 - \$940,000.
- **"112-112A"** - Fabulous waterfront building site - Two parcels containing a total of 69,197 s.f. - 1.588 Acres - 241' of Sea of Abaco Frontage - great elevations to 42' above sea level GGV1112 - **NEW LISTING** - \$850,000.
- **"AERIE"** - Parcel # 58 - Orchid Bay - 174,775 s.f. - 4,012 Acres - Orchid Bay amenities - One of the Highest Points in Orchid Bay - Fabulous Panoramic Views. #GGV1077 - \$850,000.
- **"CLAIRE'S BEACH"** - Beachfront Building Site - 31,243 s.f. - 0.717 Acre - 117' Beach Frontage - Dock Access - Good Elevation - Superb Ocean Views - Lush Vegetation, #GGV1006 - \$790,000.
- **"SECRET BEACH"** - 16,500 s.f. - over 1/3 Acre - 100' of Ocean shoreline - Over 200' of depth - Prime Ocean-front building site - Good elevations - Deeded dock access. #GGV1092 - \$375,000.
- **"CAPTAIN'S COVE"** - 6,653 s.f. - .0152 Acre - 45.47' of Sea of Abaco frontage - Prime building site - can carry a private dock - 180 degree views - underground electric and paved road. #GGV1091 - \$375,000.
- **"Cottage Parcel # 10"** - Orchid Bay - 14,574 s.f. - 0.3346 Acre - 82.20' on the Sea of Abaco - Great Views - Orchid Bay amenities. - #GGV1077 - **NEW LISTING** - \$366,000.

GREEN TURTLE CAY

- **"CONCHED OUT"** - offered in 1 to 4 prime sites - 100' - 460' of water frontage - Atlantic Beach and Sea of Abaco frontage available - 10'-32' elevations - 360' views - Very private Area #GTV1008 - \$546,000. - \$3,000,000.
- **"PLAYING HOOKY"** - 15,948 s.f. - 0.3661 Acre - Prime Building Site - Unobstructed views of Coco Bay - Public Dock Access - Beach Access - 50' from Coco Bay Beach #GTV1080 - \$625,000.
- **"COCO BAY VIEW"** - 32,690 s.f. - 0.7567 Acre - Dock Access - Beach Access - Good Elevation. #GTV1009 - \$291,000.
- **"COCO BAY BREEZE"** - 19,558 s.f. - 0.4490 Acre - Prime Building Site - Dock Access - Beach Access. #GTV1007 - \$167,500.
- **"CASUARINA"** - 8,126 s.f. - 0.1865 Acre - Corner lot - Prime building site - Central location - Short walk to Bita Bay Beach - Snorkel right off shore #GTV1074 - \$112,500.

LYNYARD CAY

- **"LYNYARD PALMS"** - 42,906 s.f. - 0.985 Acre - +/- 134' of Sea of Abaco frontage - Prime Building Site - Build private dock - Well established Coconut trees - Views of Sea of Abaco and Atlantic Ocean. #LCV1090 - \$274,000.

MAN-O-WAR CAY

- **"GRAND BOIS"** - Rare Prime Ocean-front building site - 0.51 Acre - 125' Atlantic Ocean frontage - Central Location - Fabulous Ocean Views - Lush Native Foliage. #MWH1081 - \$695,000.

MAN-O-WAR CAY

- **"SUMMERPLACE"** - Prime Building Site - 10,719 s.f. - 0.246 Acre - Over 150' of Sea of Abaco frontage - Concrete Sewall on Sea of Abaco - 103' x 6' private dock on Man-O-War harbour - Fabulous Sea of Abaco views. #MWH1082 - \$395,000.

MARSH HARBOUR

- **GREAT ABACO CLUB - Parcels # 6A and # 7A** - # 6A - 9,243 sq.ft. - # 7A - 13,845 sq.ft. - Private Dockage - Great Sea of Abaco Views. # 6A - #MHV1102 \$970,000. # 7A - #MHV1103 \$1,455,000. #6A & #7A - \$2,182,000.
- **GREAT ABACO CLUB - Parcels # 48 and # 49** - # 48 - 7,548 sq.ft. - # 49 - 7,117 sq.ft. - 50' of Boat Basin Frontage. - Semi-Private Docks - Ridge Parcels - Good Elevation. # 48 - #MHV1100 \$667,000. # 49 - #MHV1101 \$667,000.

SAND BANKS

- **"Sand Banks Creek - # 2"** - 47,524 s.f. - 1.091 Acres. 108' of frontage on Sand Banks Creek, 540' in Depth. 80' on S.C. Bootle Highway - #ACV1113 - **NEW LISTING** - \$108,000

SCOTLAND CAY

- **"141 Hillside Developer Parcels"** - Over 1/2 Acre with beach access. Aircraft Landing Rights and Boat Slips available **NEW LISTING** - Priced from: \$170,000 - \$438,000
- **"Block Q - Parcel # 1"** - Fabulous one-half acre building site - 25,658 sq.ft. - 0.5890 Acre - 172.61' on Sea of Abaco - Hillside - great elevations and superb views of the Sea of Abaco - Shoreline protected by small cay. #SCV1117 - **NEW LISTING** - \$485,000.

School News

Forest Heights Academy Sports program continues to grow

Once again this fall Forest Heights Academy found its young men enthralled with football. In two meetings with Agape Christian School, Forest Heights handily won all games.

The scores for the Senior team were 23-14, and 37-0, and the Juniors won their

only game with a score of 7-0. This year the Forest Heights team was coached by FHA's new physical education teacher, Shane Cash. The team practiced at lunch and any time they could get a football on the field as they have caught football fever. Coach Cash taught them many offensive plays which they executed well to the pleasure of the fans who attended the games with vigor.

The offense was lead by Sean Heystack

as Quarterback, who showed great patience and accuracy as he waited for an open receiver. Taj Anderson, Cameron Archer and Duran Lowe all had excellent games as well, scoring the majority of touchdowns.

Coach Cash was pleased with the performance of his defense as they learned how to defend a competitive running game. Randall Sawyer and Ashiel Hield were key in holding Agape to only 14 points in all three games. Mr. Cash was also very pleased with some of the Juniors and looks forward to seeing them grow into the game.

The athletes have now shifted their at-

tention to basketball beginning with an exhibition game against a well skilled ECC team with a narrow win of 39-35.

It is important to add several footnotes. First, Gavin Knowles, who played on the team as a senior last year, has made first cut on the Bahamian American Football Federation. FHA wishes him luck, and is also proud to note that Shane Cash, a former student, has returned as a new member of the staff as physical education, social studies and history teacher. Welcome back, Mr. Cash!

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BREA donated to ECC School



At its annual Christmas luncheon, the Bahamas Real Estate Association, Abaco Chapter (BREA Abaco) "passed the hat." Almost \$500 was raised by the group and matched equally by funds from the Chapter. To aid in its valuable work, a donation was made to the Every Child Counts School and also to the Rotary Club of Abaco that is undertaking a campaign to install fire hydrants in the Marsh Harbour area. BREA Abaco has over 70 professional licensed real estate agents. The Chapter is committed to giving back to the community through fund-raising and volunteer work. Shown are Chris Roberts, recent past-president of BREA Abaco; Mrs. Lyn Major of Every Child Counts School; Bill Thorndycraft, Treasurer, BREA Abaco; and Mailin Sands, Director, BREA Abaco.

Central Abaco Primary donated to the elderly



The students of Central Abaco Primary School donated more than 10 boxes of non-perishable items at their Thanksgiving Service. Five of the boxes were presented to the Pilot Club for them to distribute to elderly persons in the community. Accepting the items on behalf of the Pilot Club was Neulessa Major. The junior Anchor Club members of the school bagged the items for the seniors which will be given to them at a gospel concert during the month of December. Additionally, 100 students from less fortunate families who attend the school were also given goody bags to take home.

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School *From Page 14*

Students learn about the importance of giving thanks

By Samantha V. Evans

Students and teachers of Central Abaco Primary School held a Thanksgiving service on November 27th with the theme Give Thanks. Students brought non-perishable gifts to be distributed to the less fortunate across the island. They decorated boxes to put them in that were displayed during the ceremony. Each grade level prepared a piece around the theme which they performed to show their gratitude to God for all of His blessings.

The speaker for the event was business-

man and District Youth Coordinator for Zion Churches on Abaco Rev. Zeldon Simmons, who encouraged the students to make the best of every day because they cannot relive any of them again. He stated that to be alive is a blessing in itself so for that they should always give thanks. He told the students to remember to give thanks for everything they have whether it is a little or a lot.

The awards for the most creative/original box, best looking box, and the box with the most items went to Pre-school, grade 5, and grade 5 respectively. At the end of the ceremony the teachers treated their guests to a special thanksgiving meal at the school.

Bank donates 20 computers to schools



Commonwealth Bank gave 20 computers and LCD projectors to Abaco schools. Every government school received at least one computer while the two high schools received three and a couple of primary schools received two. Pictured here are the principals of three schools receiving the computers from Mrs. Jacquelyn Estevez, Manager of the bank in Marsh Harbour. Shown are Mrs. Estevez, Ms. Ruthamae Rolle of Moore's Island, Mrs. Candace Key of Hope Town and Mrs. Kelly Janes of Man-O-War Cay.

Starting Anew in 2009

By Jennifer Hudson

Have you, like me and millions of others throughout the world, made some new year's resolutions once again this year? I expect so. But like many others you may already have broken one or two. What is the only foolproof way to avoid not quitting on your new year's resolutions? Not to make any! However, most of us do try "to turn over a few new leaves" as each new year rolls around.

Maybe you have chosen one or more of these 10 most popular resolutions:

- Spend more time with family and friends
- Exercise regularly
- Quit smoking
- Enjoy life more; take up a new hobby
- Quit drinking
- Lose weight
- Get out of debt
- Learn something new
- Get organized
- Help others, join a volunteer group, donate articles to an organization such as the

Cancer Society Thrift Shop

However hard we try and however determined we are on January 1, by the time February rolls around (or sometimes even the middle of January), many of our good intentions have "flown the coop." Here are a few tips to help you stick to your new year's resolutions:

- Create a plan and begin immediately
- Be realistic and set achievable goals
- Write down your resolutions and your plan
- Breakdown large goals into smaller ones
- Think year-round, not just New Year
- Nothing big gets accomplished in one day. Resolutions are set in one day but accomplished with 100 tiny steps that happen throughout the year
- Remain flexible and recognize partial successes along the way
- Aim for things that are truly important to you, not what you think you ought to do or what others expect of you
- Reward yourself

Energy Saving Tips

- Lower your water heater temperature to 120 degrees from 130 degrees and insulate hot water pipes to knock five percent off your energy bills.
- Plug electronics into a power strip so that you can turn them all off at once.
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Police Crime Report

Shop Breaking - A contractor's storage trailer at Abaco Central High School was broken into during the night of November 5. Tools valued in excess of \$10,000 were stolen.

Causing Damage - While at work at the Abaco Beach Resort, a Murphy Town man had four tires flattened and the paint scratched on his car during the night of November 5. A suspect was named.

Sudden Death - Responding to an anonymous call just before dawn on October 5, police found EMS personnel attempting to resuscitate Innocent Isma in a church in the Mud settlement. He died of suspected complications due to diabetes. Foul play was not suspected.

House Breaking - Two suspects were arrested at dusk on November 5 for house-breaking. Their car was searched when they were found acting suspiciously in the vicinity of Tardie's Night Club west of Murphy Town. The men were from Dundas Town and Murphy Town.

Dangerous Drugs - A Murphy Town resident was arrested about 7 p.m. on November 5 when marijuana was found in his house while a search warrant was being executed.

Housebreaking - Sometime between October 24 and November 5, a house on Green Turtle Cay was broken into and a safe was stolen. It contained cash, land documents and jewelry.

Assault with a Deadly Weapon - While on the highway south of Spring City, a Crossing Rocks man was overtaken by another vehicle which then attempted to run his car off the road. The aggressive driver then pulled ahead and pointed a handgun at him putting him and his passengers in fear of their lives. This happened about 9:30 a.m. on November 7. The aggressive driver was identified.

Causing Harm - A Murphy Town woman was chopped with a cutlas by her husband about 7:30 a.m. on November 9. She was treated at the government clinic and released.

Stolen Vehicle - A red and silver 1998 Mitsubishi Montero Jeep left on the side of the highway near Bahama Palm Shores was stolen during the night of November 8 or

the next day. The car had been left by the Murphy Town owner when experiencing mechanical problems.

Causing Harm - A Dundas Town woman reported that early in the evening on November 7 her husband beat her about her head causing a laceration. Her husband was subsequently arrested and given bail for a court appearance on November 12.

Causing Harm - About 9:30 p.m. on November 8 a woman in the Mud was beaten and bitten on her hand when she served food to her daughter before serving her boyfriend.

Causing Harm - A Murphy Town woman was punched in the face, had a garbage can thrown at her and then choked while visiting her boyfriend. This happened about 2:30 p.m. on November 9.

Suspicious Death - An anonymous call mid-morning on November 9 alerted police and EMS personnel to a death in the Mud. Respondents found a clothed female laying on the floor of a house. The government doctor subsequently pronounced her dead. The victim, Italia Jean Mary, had no apparent injuries and no known ailments. The body was taken to Nassau for an autopsy to determine the cause of death.

Unlawful Sex - A Dundas Town mother alerted police on November 8 that her 12-year-old daughter may have been sexually active. A subsequent investigation suggested the possibility.

Unlawful Sex - On November 10 an underage girl in Sandy Point was reported to be HIV positive and later admitted to having unprotected sex with a young man. Investigations are continuing.

Causing Harm - At 10 p.m. on November 10 police were alerted to a patient at the government clinic with a cut on his

head. He had been in an altercation with two young men in Dundas Town who beat him and chapped him with a cutlas. A third man caused the head wound. The assailants were identified.

Building Destroyed by Fire - A pre-dawn fire on November 12 destroyed the Election Restaurant and Bar in Crown Haven.

Stealing - A cell phone was stolen from a vehicle parked in the owner's yard in Fire Road just before sundown on November 5. A suspect was later arrested. He resisted violently, damaged the security booth at the S.C. Bootle High School and threatened the officer and his family with death during outbursts of obscene language.

Vehicle Fire - A vehicle in Spring City was found to be on fire in the owner's yard about 2 a.m. on November 14. Volunteer firemen extinguished the fire which destroyed the car but no further damage was done.

Stealing - Simmons Security company had a bullet proof vest stolen from its vehicle parked behind the Marsh Harbour Batelco office. This happened mid-morning on November 18.

Stealing - A 28-foot outboard boat which had been in storage for about two years at the Marsh Harbour Boat Yard was found on November 18 to have a lower unit and starter missing on a 225 HP Yamaha engine.

Threats of Harm - About 8 p.m. on November 18 while on Don MacKay Boulevard in Marsh Harbour, a Dundas Town resident was grabbed by his shirt and threatened by a man who held a cutlas to his throat. The assailant was identified.

Murder Suspect - A search warrant was executed November 18 on a Murphy Town residence when information indicated a man wanted for attempted murder may have been there. Nothing of consequence was found.

Stealing - During the night of November 18 a storage container on the road to Winding Bay was broken into and 100 bags of cement were stolen.

Unlawful Sexual Contact - About noon on November 19 a girl at Abaco Central High School was assaulted by two boys who attempted to fondle her genital area. She kicked them and fought them off. The boys were identified. It was subsequently found that one of the boys had successfully fondled her while riding on a church bus when returning home late one evening.

Stealing from a Vehicle - Sometime between midnight and dawn on November 20 someone smashed the rear window on a vehicle parked in the owner's yard in Dundas Town and stole amplifiers, speakers and a baseball bat.

Stealing from a Vehicle - During the night of November 19 an amplifier and speaker were stolen from a car parked at a residence in Central Pines Estates. The rear window had been smashed.

Burglary and Stealing - A house on Marsh Harbour's Eastern Shores was broken into by forcing a window during the night of November 20. A laptop computer was stolen.

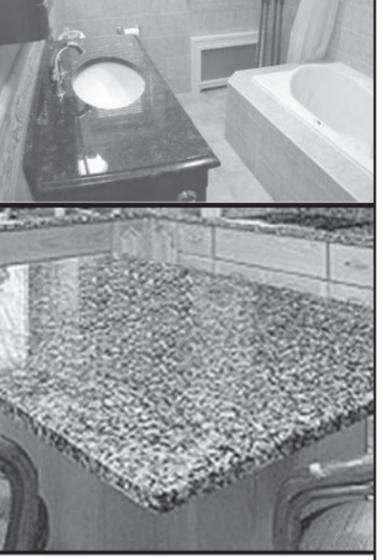
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Police Crime Report

Police *From Page 16*

smashed on a pickup truck parked at the ballfield in the Mud. Stolen were a cassette player and an amplifier.

Stealing - a 100-pound LP gas tank and a tire were stolen during the night of November 20 from the Junkanoo Café on the S.C. Bootle Highway

Fighting/Public Terror - Two men were arrested in Cooper's Town on November 24 for fighting and causing public terror. They had been involved earlier in an extensive fighting incident at the Green Turtle Ferry landing about midnight by throwing bottles and rocks causing damage to vehicles. An off-duty policeman observed the incident. The policeman was later accosted by a man hiding his face but who recognized him as a policeman. He was holding a handgun and threatened to "kill one of those niggas tonight." Marsh Harbour police were contacted who subsequently arrest two men.

Rape Update - On November 24 a Murphy Town man was arrested at a food store in Marsh Harbour. He had been identified

in September for forcing a woman to perform oral sex on him while in the Murphy Town area.

Housebreaking and Stealing - A woman staying at the Regattas in Marsh Harbour had her apartment broken into during the night of November 23. Stolen was a laptop computer.

Causing Harm - A Treasure Cay resident was assaulted mid-afternoon on November 24 by a young man causing injuries to his shoulder and hand. He identified the assailant.

Causing Damage - During the week-end of November 22 a truck parked at the Treasure Cay Ferry Landing had the windshield smashed.

Dangerous Drugs - A Sandy Point man was arrested at the basketball court there early in the evening of November 26 when seen acting suspiciously, then seen swallowing a clear plastic bag. He vomited the bag while at the police station.

Vehicle Fire - The engine section of a Cadillac car was discovered on fire at a residence in Cove Estates in Marsh Harbour about 10 p.m. on November 26. At-

tempts with a garden hose to extinguish the fire were not successful. Volunteer firemen put out the blaze which destroyed the vehicle.

Stolen Vessel - A 31-foot boat with twin 225 Yamaha outboard engines was stolen from a slip at Dorros Cove, Elbow Cay, during the night of November 26. The owner made a personal search in a private plane the next day without success.

Causing Harm - While at a restaurant in Fox Town about mid-night November 28, a customer was approached from behind and had the top portion of his right ear bitten off. He was treated at the clinic and advised to seek further treatment in Freeport. The assailant was identified.

Murder and Armed Robbery - About 8 p.m. on November 27 an anonymous call to the police alerted them to a possible robbery at the M & R Food Store in Marsh Harbour. The caller's son saw two men enter the store and the packing boys then ran out saying, "They have guns." While on the phone, she heard gunshots. Responding officers found Dion Brendon Strachan laying in a pool of blood at the

back of the store. Witnesses stated that one man stood by the door while the other assaulted Mr. Strachan, knocking him down by hitting him on his head with a handgun. He got up and ran to the back of the store but was followed by the gunman who shot him. The two men fled with approximately \$2000. Extensive inquiries were made by police of witnesses and others in the area. Just after dawn on November 28 a murder suspect was arrested in reference to the murder the previous night.

Possession of Drugs - About 2 p.m. on December 3 a young man from Cherokee was in the Marsh Harbour police station. He was very nervous and was acting suspiciously. On inquiry, he handed a bag of suspected Indian Hemp to the Inspector and was arrested.

Amended August report - Jewelry and other items reported stolen from a house on Pelican Shores in August were subsequently found where the resident had hastily secured them but then forgot due to other urgent matters.



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Wilson City was a lumber camp of the early 1900s

The Caribbean pine is closely related to the pine trees of South Florida although considered a separate species. The trees are very slow growing yielding very dense wood - logs actually sink rather than float. Many of the older homes on Abaco are built of Abaco pine harvested and milled in one of the lumber camps that dotted Abaco in the first half of the 1900s. The Pieces of Eight house on Elbow Cay was built in the early 1970s by an Englishman using the last of the available native pine lumber which he purchased in Nassau and Andros.

The tree's slow growth is evident in the trees we see now as they have not been harvested since the mid 1960s. Forty years have passed; yet finding a large pine tree is rare. There are some fine examples of virgin forest on Little Abaco which we believe was not logged. The tree's slow growth is due to a lack of soil and marginal growing conditions. The island limestone does not allow a taproot to grow and the trees develop an extensive, flat root system.

The extensive lumbering operation at Wilson City generally gets credit as the

first in the industry and was established in 1905. However, we have been told of an earlier lumbering operation at Witches Point prior to the Bahamas Timber Company at Wilson City.

The 100-year timbering lease held by Bahamas Timber Company morphed through different names and owners on the three islands with forests: the Abaco Lumber Company, National Container Corporation and lastly, Owens-Illinois of the Bahamas operating at Snake Cay on Abaco and winding up operations on Andros in 1972.

Wilson City was on the Abaco headland opposite the north end of Lynyard Cay, just inside North Bar Channel. The Wilson City mill operated until about 1915. It was a modern operation for its time and had a rail system with steam engines to bring the logs to the mill. The community even had the first ice plant in The Bahamas, electricity and a tennis court. Amateur Sunday afternoon archeologists still enjoy roaming the Wilson City area as there are rusted locomotives and foundations of mills and

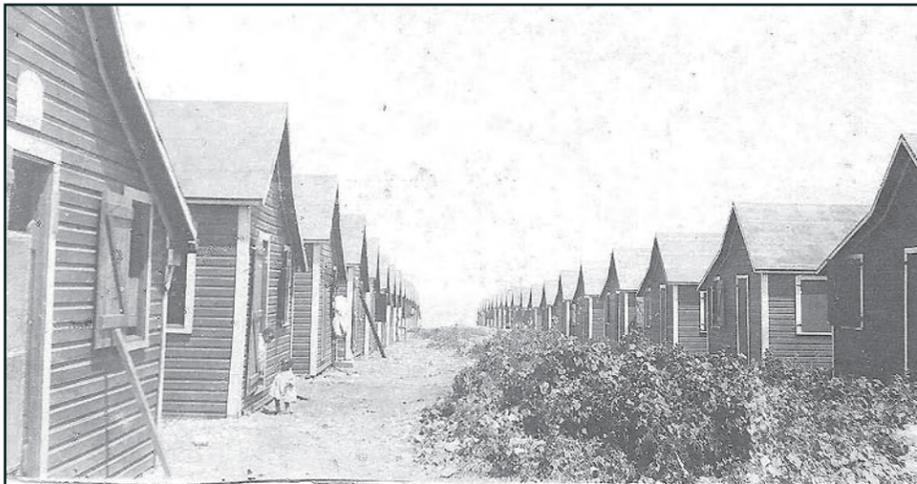
buildings scattered through the area. At low tide, the off-shore stone cairns are visible which supported the railroad track over the water and formed the log pond.

After the operation closed at Wilson City about 1915, lumbering resumed at Norman's Castle sometime after World War I ended. It was on the west coast of Abaco between Treasure Cay and Cooper's town. Once again there was a rail system and steam locomotives that brought the logs to the mill. The Norman's Castle mill relied on horses to bring the logs out of the woods to the rail sidings. There are no references to horses being used earlier

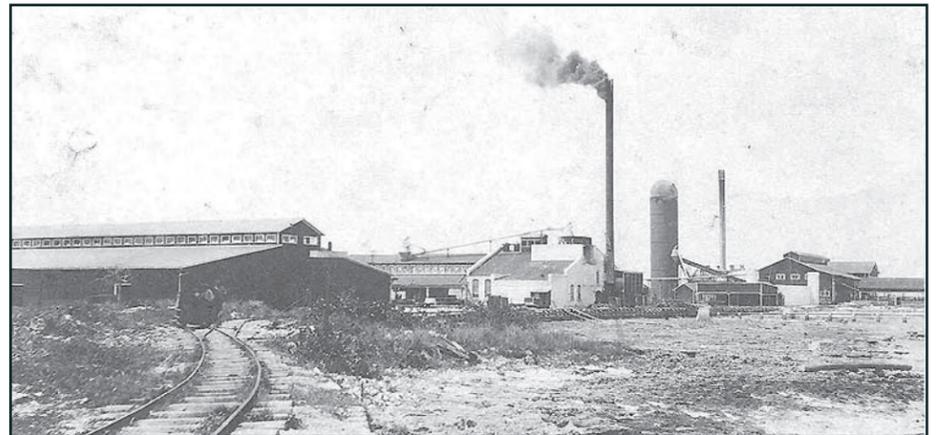
at Wilson City.

After the Norman's Castle harvest, there were portable mills at several locations on the west side of Abaco, all south of Marsh Harbour - Cornwall, three different Millvilles, and finally Cross Harbour which closed in 1943. These later mills used tractors rather than horses for hauling the logs out of the woods. According to Captain Leonard Thompson, the horses used at Norman's Castle were turned loose to fend for themselves, probably being the predecessors of the horses still in the area.

Please see **Lumber Camps** Page 19



We believe this is a photo of Jericho at the Wilson City lumber camp. It was located down near the water level on the northeast coast of Wilson City facing Lynyard Cay and was where the labourers lived. The supervisory personnel lived on a higher elevation that was called Mount Pleasant. Today it is sometimes called Buzzard Hill.



This is the mill at Wilson City, a lumbering camp in operation from 1905 to 1915. Wilson City is about 15 miles south of Marsh Harbour. The railway went inland from the shore to bring logs in from the forest. The lumber was shipped by sailboats that would get to the dock by coming in North Bar Channel.

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Lumbering was important on Abaco 1900 thru 1967

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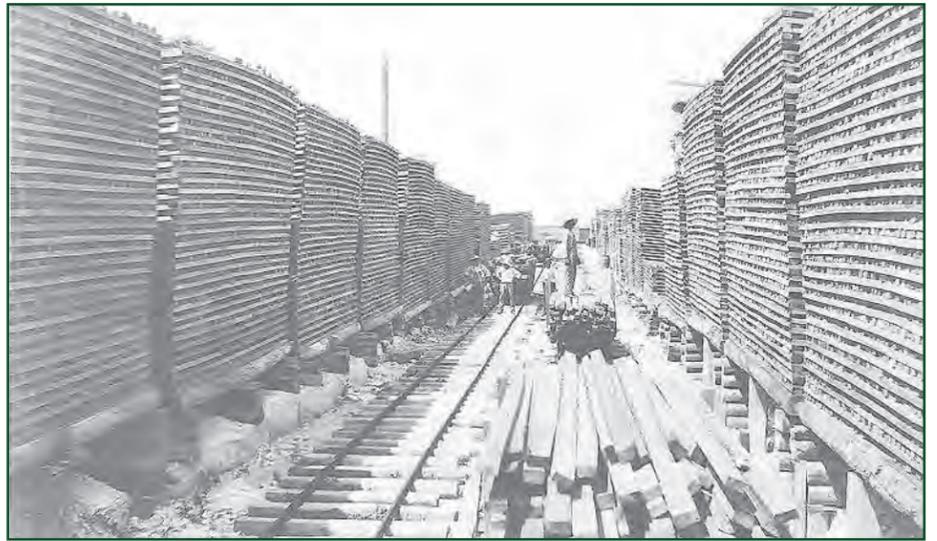
He lived in the lumber camp there in his youth.

Abaco temporarily lost its lumbering industry in 1944 when Abaco Lumber Company moved its operation to Pine Ridge, Grand Bahama. This was near the present Freeport which did not exist then. Shipping was done from the north shore of Grand Bahama. The lumber company had been bought by Wallace Groves, who eventually developed Freeport. Timber was milled in the sawmill but a main export was pit-props sent to England. These were used to prop up mine ceilings and smaller diameter trees were suitable.

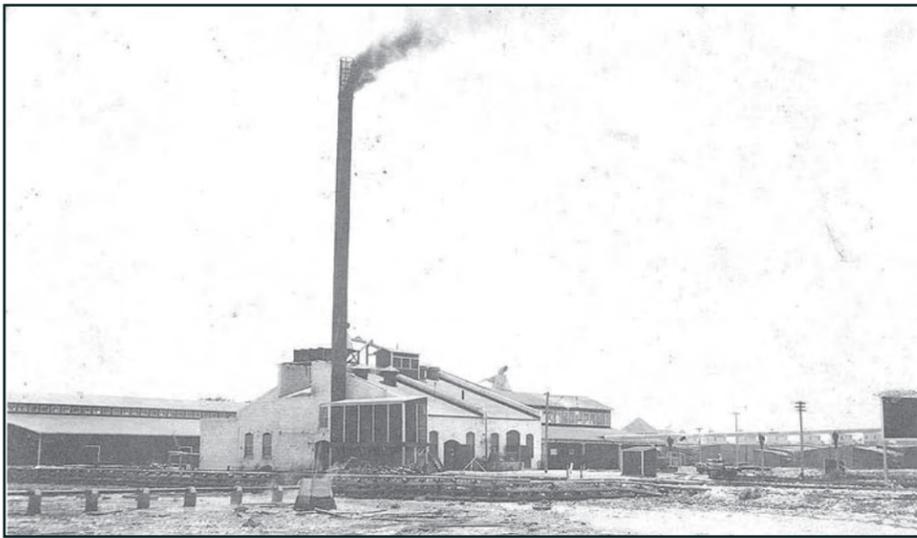
A Bahamian freight boat, the Donald Roberts, was used by the Pine Ridge oper-

ation for trips to Nassau for groceries and other supplies. It often returned from Nassau or Florida with an automobile across the gunnel's on the foredeck.

In 1956 the National Container Corporation, an American company, bought Abaco Lumber Company. A year later Owens-Illinois acquired National Container. The operation was moved from Pine Ridge to Riding Point about 40 miles east and on the north shore. The end use of the wood changed as Owens-Illinois cut the pine trees into eight foot lengths and shipped them to their container-board plant in Jacksonville, Florida, for converting to pulp. Smaller trees can be harvested for pulp than the size required by sawmills for dimensional lumber. The pulp from the Bahama trees was made into container-board, the inside and outside sheets of



This was the drying yard at Wilson City. The lumber was shipped to Havana, Cuba, Savannah, Georgia, Jacksonville, Florida and other foreign ports. These photos are from the estate of Carlin Malone of Hope Town.



This is another picture of the mill at Wilson City but taken from across the water. On the left can be seen the railroad track that encompassed the log pond. The rock cairns holding the track can still be seen at low tide. The mill was closed at the beginning of World War I.

corrugated cardboard.

Since pulpwood was the desired product and could be harvested by newer methods, much of the Pine Ridge equipment was left behind in the move to Riding Point. The use of the narrow-gauge steam locomotive came to an end. Moving the residential aspects to The Gap, as the new village at riding point was called, was a major operation. Many of the employees followed the operation to Riding Point and The Gap while a few left the lumbering business and joined the various elements of the developing Freeport operation which Wallace Groves began to develop in the mid to late 1950s.

Part II will present the change from sawmills to pulpwood and the use of newer harvesting methods.

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Hope Town District Council 18 Nov 08

Council members were given a short presentation by Mr. Frank Knowles, who proposed to offer guided Segway tours on Elbow Cay and wanted Council's approval in principle for the concept. A Segway is a two-wheel transportation device allowing a individual low speed transportation. Apparently these are being used in Nassau for tours. Questions arose over licensing requirements which were not answered. The devices allow a person to travel on sidewalks or roadways at speeds slightly above a normal walking speed. Information is to be provided on the Nassau operation and how they were accepted there.

Extensive discussion centered on expansion of the graveyard which is essentially at its capacity. A vacant piece of land has been found close to town with a clouded title, and it was proposed to ask government if this could be reserved for a future cemetery.

It was brought out that \$10,000 had been given to the Man-O-War community by Mr. Edison Key, MP for South Abaco, for repairs to a public dock. However, the repairs would have cost much more than this, so the funds were shared between the ball field and a new private school. The renovations to the public dock will be done when sufficient funding is available, probably later in 2009.

Marsh Harbour Town Comm. Dec 3, 08

The Committee held a short meeting to discuss finances. Members allocated \$3000 to Social Services to assist elderly persons

Local Government at Work

in need in Marsh Harbour and Spring City. They also allocated \$1000 each to Spring City and Marsh Harbour for Christmas decorations and lighting. The Christmas Festival Committee was given \$500 to assist in preparing the site.

Town Planning Dec 15, 08

The members are concerned about a proliferation of signs along the roadways, particularly near the airport. Regulations that control the use of signs along roadways will be looked into.

There was also concern about a residential lot in Central Pines Estates that appeared to be used for heavy equipment storage and maintenance. The owner will be contacted. (Two days later all equipment had been removed.)

Several Keep Abaco Beautiful signs on highways were felt to be a distraction to drivers. They seemed more appropriate for viewing by pedestrians rather than high speed drivers. Some of the signs have weathered to the point of not being legible.

Hope Town District Council Dec 16, 08

The Council had been verbally informed that the \$18,000 paid monthly for transporting garbage bins to Marsh Harbour was excessive and will be reduced.

Much of the discussion was about the shipping method and associated freight costs for moving the trash bins to Marsh Harbour and looking into ways to reduce these expenses. In times of normal activity Hope Town sends four bins of garbage to Marsh Harbour twice a week by barge. Moving the bins requires a specially fitted truck which comes and leaves with the

barge. One problem is that the barge must make a trip even if it is only one bin to be taken. Bins could be left to accumulate but this creates a severe problem with flies breeding in the rotting garbage. Man-O-War had this problem a year ago. With Hope Town's reduced visitor numbers, the accumulated volume is much less but the barge was making its normal two trips each week. Ways of transporting reduced volumes economically will be looked into.

Residents complained about boat people bringing their dogs ashore to poop. It was asked if those with dogs can be required to bag and remove the poop as is done in many locations in the States.

Central Abaco District Council 16 Dec 08

Members met to hear an appeal by a resident of Eastern Shores who had an application for a building permit rejected by Town Planning for several infractions. The owner's friend represented the owner in presenting his information. Council invited the Chairman of Town Planning to explain the infractions.

The road had been re-routed slightly on the owner's property at his expense in order to create sufficient space to build a residence. Many of the residents in this subdivision had approved the road relocation. Non-compliance related to the building covering more than the maximum 20 percent of the lot and setbacks being less than the required amount specified in the deeded covenants.

During the discussions it was disclosed that the owner had dug the building footings, placed reinforcing steel and poured cement without the permit being approved

and without the steel and footings being inspected prior to the cement being placed.

The Town Planning Chairman made general statements about the role of Town Planning to insure the orderly growth and appearance of the town. The Board is not comfortable in letting mistakes of the past become the new standard for the area, and the members are working to see that construction follows the recommended guidelines in the Town Planning Act.

The entire Eastern Shores area has many deviations from the regulations, houses built over the water, septic tanks in wrong locations or walls and buildings too close to the road.

Owners of lots that are divided by the road often sell the small piece on the north shore which are subsequently built on but which do not have enough space for parking. The present Board members are trying to see that construction practices are within the requirements of the Act.

After the presentation by the applicant and the statement from the Town Planning Chairman were heard, the room was cleared as Council members debated the issue. A public statement was not issued, and it is not known if the appeal was successful or not. The Council members resumed their deliberations on their routine agenda.

Seaman Saunders of the Defence Force made a presentation on the Ranger Program sponsored by the Defence Force. He was requesting financial support. A decision was not made.

The owner of Three D's Signs made

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a presentation asking that his contract be respected and payment be made for street signs. Council members will see how many signs have been made, their state of assembly, then discuss how to make a payment for that amount of work. The issue is complicated as the contract was issued by the previous Council, but the work extends into the term of this Council. However, this Council has not included any funding in its budget for this work. The Councilors are generally annoyed that a situation has arisen where a previous Council has made a financial commitment extending into a future Council's budget without their knowledge or authorization. Everyone agrees that the signs are needed, but the payment issue is ongoing.

It was brought out that the maintenance at the two government schools is not being done in an acceptable manner, and a

maintenance man is needed on a full time basis. It was said that one of the schools had only two lights working in the entire facility. The school grounds are not being kept to an acceptable standard.

One Councillor had several concerns. He complained that Cable Bahamas is not providing good cable service and does not have an office on Abaco. He wants Abaco's two Members of Parliament to address Council members and hear of their concerns. He asked that applicants for the lots in Central Pines be considered more fairly than in the past where public servants, police officers and others were given options on lots before common persons were allowed to submit their applications. He was further annoyed by frequent requests to attend emergency meetings as he has commitments and cannot always respond on short notice.

AA and AI Anon Meetings

The AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) group of Marsh Harbour meets Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. at the Marsh Harbour Community Library.

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Viewpoint . . . More Hot Air

By J.F. Hedden

During much of 2008 the public's attention was drawn towards island planning for development with visits from several university groups, community reactions to proposed construction projects, the opening of the new garbage dump at Snake Cay, mining operations securing fill from the sides of the highway, discussions concerning protection, proposals for the same, and several public forums for the people's benefit.

With 2009 showing a decline in an already fragile economy, it will be interesting to note any changes in attitudes towards development programmes which may come on line over the next twelve months or so.

The Bahamian government has already indicated an increase in infrastructural and public-funded programmes in order to ease the blow of unemployment as a result of the global slowdown. Projects for Abaco are said to include continued governmental housing projects, the new administrative complex, new port developments, amongst others. Consideration for other infrastructural improvements should be made with an eye towards efficiency when we eventually pull out of the economic slump. These must include communication, transportation and resource utilisation.

Central Council, for example, should

examine the possibility of reopening the coastal road from Stede Bonnet through Calcutta, and to the south, thus effectively creating a ring road around the congested streets of Marsh Harbour. At the same time this coast can provide a permanent site for a ferry dock, thus relieving the congestion at Crossing Beach and the entrance to Eastern Shores. Also construction of a public slip in this area should be made to allow access to this side of the sea of Abaco for launching small boats from trailers.

The bypass road from the airport roundabout to the highway going north should be improved with provision for drainage and perhaps even be surfaced and sealed. Existing government structures need to be renovated and even given a lick of paint to improve their appearance if nothing else. Out of necessity Council will need to involve the central government, both for approval and the essential funding from the public purse. Government has already committed itself to further borrowing on behalf of the taxpayer and needs to seriously further examine the idea of providing much needed employment for a soon-to-be unemployed public.

To my mind, the cost to the public purse, while being immense, can be justified for several reasons. Firstly, the actual cost of wages will not be as high as

in good times simply because the competition for available jobs will lower the wage level. Secondly, the employed will continue to contribute to the public purse through taxes. Thirdly, infrastructural improvements will already be in place for the eventual upturn in the economy and more private sector projects begin to come back on line. At the same time we can work out a realistic and strategic developmental programme for Abaco rather than continue with the hodgepodge of poorly thought out and implemented projects to date. In other words, the eventual greedy rush for money will not be allowed to overtake our sensibilities.

Of course, the cost is not only economic but will place more demands on the public service, local councils, committees and boards; in terms of time, effort and perhaps more important - ideas. It's time to put that great Bahamian brain to work after so many years of vacation.

By now we must all be aware that our unique and beautiful environment is the only real asset that the Bahamas in general and Abaco in particular can offer the world as a source of income for our people. However, we still have not all arrived at the same page when it comes to maintaining that special quality of our surroundings. Since the opening of the new dumpsite at

Snake Cay, roadside litter has increased along the highway feeder, and even worse, the dumping of garbage in the pine forest reservation roads has also increased. The former is obviously due to a lack of proper load securing, and the latter may be due to several reasons. Firstly, dumpsite hours may be having an effect, and secondly, the idea of having to drive all the way, and far, out of town to dispose of waste is just too much to deal with.

In addition, our roadside beauty is not being enhanced as the mining and fill operations proceed, leaving large areas of bleak refrigerator white limestone deserts in the trail of progress. The Ministry of the Environment has designated these as temporary, but the aesthetics become permanent. Have any of us come up with an idea for a permanent location for quarrying yet?

Finally, on this particular subject I cannot say I have seen any changes in our approach to energy and resource consumption. Shouldn't we be thinking of architecture that considers the advantages of our surroundings, including more use of native landscaping systems, trees and ornamentals. Shouldn't we be thinking of porches, verandas, steep pitch roofs with

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high venting such as dormers that actually open, the sound of birds and singers instead of the oppressive silence of climate control through air conditioning. Again, I say we can re-learn what we forgot from many of our second homeowners who in turn learned from the previous generations of Bahamians. Cyclical isn't it?

Talking of planning, the flooding problem at Marsh Harbour airport is not presently an issue because we are approaching the dry season. The Marsh Harbour Town Committee needs to work on this now before the rainy season begins. There has been talk of drainage wells and active pumping systems to rapidly drain the area. However, at

various times and places throughout the islands I have seen the most effective systems relying solely on the flow of water through drainage canals sometimes with a sluice gate incorporated to prevent back flow at appropriate times. Maintenance of such systems is relatively simple: silt and weed removal and periodic removal of garbage and other detritus. Landscaping and decoration with native species could make such a canal an attractive addition to the usually bored and frustrated traveller waiting interminably outside in the heat and dust.

Just a few ideas and regurgitations from a recent past which need to be updated to the present. After all, it's really just so much hot air!

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