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## Governor General visits Abaco schools Schools perform for the Governor and he encourages them to study

*By Canishka Alexander*

Widespread enthusiasm mixed with excited anticipation were noticeable in the faces and movements of government, school and airport officials as they gathered at the Treasure Cay International Airport on November 7 for the arrival of His Excellency Sir Arthur Foulkes, Governor General of The Bahamas, and Her Excellency Lady Joan Foulkes.

Following a demonstration by the Royal Bahamas Defence Force Rangers and a musical selection by students handpicked from North Abaco schools, the Governor General and his entourage quickly left for an assembly at S.C. Bootle High School that included students of Cooper's Town Primary School. It was there on the school grounds of the Dynamic Dolphins that His Excellency truly felt a heartwarming Abaco welcome.

District Education Superintendent Helen Simmons-Johnson opened the ceremony themed Giving Honour with welcoming remarks before turning the assembly over to John Henderson, head boy, and Oriscia Clarke, head girl, as the moderators. Several students were called on to perform during the special program that incorporated students from both S.C. Bootle and

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In his first official visit to Abaco, the Governor General, His Excellency Sir Arthur Foulkes, had a busy schedule visiting all government schools on the island. He is shown here on his visit at the Fox Town Primary School speaking to the children on the first day of his nine-day trip. His main message is that Bahamians are all one, that we have a distinct identity and a rich heritage. He was accompanied by his wife, Her Excellency Lady Joan Foulkes. They arrived on November 7 at Treasure Cay and toured Northern Abaco for the first couple of days before visiting Central and South Abaco.

## Cherokee breaks ground for a new clinic



Groundbreaking for a new clinic in Cherokee Sound took place on October 27. It is on the site of the derelict clinic that was recently demolished. A committee has been formed to oversee the construction, most of whom are shown here. They are Kenneth Albury, Sandra Albury, Vashti Albury, Dr. Margo Seymour, Preston Roberts, Andrew Frey, Administrator Benjamin Pinder, Chairman John Hudson and Ron Parker. The Abaco Club at Winding Bay has volunteered to assist and expects to donate much of the material. See story on page 6.

## One dead and two are missing in stormy seas

*By Timothy Roberts*

In two separate incidents on November 8 the U.S. Coast Guard had to be called to assist with search and rescue operations as Abaco experienced what one long time resident called "the worst rage I've ever seen," caused by a stationary sub-tropical

system generating 15-foot waves just east of the island.

At about 6:30 a.m. Bahamas Air Sea Rescue Association (BASRA) was called after police received a cell phone call from

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## Awards ceremony honours outstanding students



An awards ceremony was held on October 28 to honour two students from each government and private school who have shown outstanding accomplishments. Darron Turnquest, the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture's Youth Director, right, was the keynote speaker. He proved to be a dynamic speaker who had the students' attention. Administrator Cephas Cooper is on the left. See story on page 5.

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# Governor General makes official visit to Abaco

## Governor *From Page 1*

Cooper's Town Primary School.

Certainly, the featured performance was given by A'Joya Sands, a third grade student of Cooper's Town Primary, who gave a touching tribute to the Governor General in the form of an interpretative dance. Many audience members stood spellbound to their feet to applaud A'Joya as the passion she displayed through dance gave way to an expression that, even on her youthful face, showed her reverence to God.

Other highlighted performances included an acrostic where students spelled out the name of Sir Arthur Foulkes' name and gave a meaning for each letter; then there was a choral speaking selection followed by a lively song that was written especially for him.

There was no doubt that the students had captured the message long before it was spoken by the Governor General. In his speech, Sir Arthur spoke of the rich culture of The Bahamas, which has been impacted by the contributions of Abaconians through various ingenuities and their love of things Bahamian.

He touched lightly on Abaco's boat building legacy, annual heritage festivals, our impact in the world of sports, art and entertainment and our thriving tourism industry along with the impressive infrastructural developments that can be seen on the island. He boasted of Abaco's natural resources like the majestic wild horses and mysterious blue holes that still give us a

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The Governor General, escorted by a member of the Royal Bahama Defence Force, arrived to an honour guard of Royal Bahamas Defence Force Rangers dressed smartly in their uniforms.



The Governor General His Excellency Sir Arthur Foulkes and Her Excellency Lady Joan Foulkes arrived at the Treasure Cay airport to great fanfare. He is greeting those in the receiving line while she is getting off the Defense Force plane that brought them to Abaco



The Governor General is shown accepting a gift from the schools in Cooper's Town. Presenting the gift is Marcus Brown while Head Boy John Henderson and Head Girl Oriscia Clarke look on.

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# Youth Month ends with a pep rally

By Timothy Roberts

Seeking to “highlight, recognize and encourage the contributions of young Bahamians,” Youth Month on Abaco concluded with a pep rally which included an inspirational speech from the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture’s Director of Youth, Darron Turnquest, and an award ceremony.

The rally, held at Central Abaco Primary School on October 28, put a spotlight on students in particular who had achieved awards for academic excellence, sporting achievements or community service. Two students from each school, selected by the principal of each school, were chosen to be honored and encouraged.

Mr. Turnquest, a psychologist by trade, told young people that all is not lost with the young people in our nation. “If you do not look at the positive in your youth, you will believe all is lost,” he said, adding that if they look around they have so much to

be proud of.

He encouraged the youth to believe in themselves and to strive to rise above their situations. He said, “Take that dream in your mind and place it in your heart. Do not stop until you achieve it.”

The theme of Youth Month this year is *Celebrating Youth: Get Involved* and he asked adults to encourage and support the youth and get involved in helping them to make the most of every opportunity they get.

The rally highlighted talented youth from local schools and churches who entertained the audience with singing, drama and dancing. The audience clearly enjoyed the entertainment and the level of talent on display.

James A Pinder Primary School brought a well instructed group of primary school students who sang a selection of songs to the delight of the audience while St. John the Baptist Anglican Youth Choir lent their

voices to the night’s display of talent.

Making quite an impression on the audience, Joshua Robins dramatized a short story which captivated the audience. Jaypheth Ferguson, aka Lyrically Blessed, was especially well received singing a variety of contemporary gospel songs. The Ebenezer Praise Dancers entertained with a moving dance routine.

Forty-five youth received awards during the evening’s rally. Outstanding students were chosen from primary and secondary schools, private and public from across the island. The Abaco Department of

Youth and Sports included three additional awards: Youth Leader which was awarded to Clanardo Davis, Youth Organization Award which went to Wesley College Youth Band and the Distinguished Youth Awards which went to Tiffany Williams and Kyvonne Lopez.

Abaco Department of Youth and Sports representative, Whelma Colebrook, closed the rally by praising Abaco parents for being involved with their youth and asking the audience to “stand together and work together to build up and encourage the youth of Abaco.”



A group of students from the James A. Pinder Primary School in Sandy Point entertained the audience with several songs at the Pep Rally awards ceremony. They were under the direction of Brenell Higgs, principal of the school.



Darron Turnquest, Director of Youth, captivated his audience of students and their parents who attended a pep rally on October 28 to close Youth Month. The ceremony took place at Central Abaco Primary School.

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## Cherokee Sound

By Lee Pinder

### Groundbreaking for clinic is held

The settlement of Cherokee Sound has been waiting patiently for government to provide us with a clean and suitable clinic for nearly 25 years. Over and over we have heard that we would get a new clinic, someday, "but we just can't afford it right now." We have suffered the embarrassment of a broken down and abandoned building not fit for use all these years. The old building was the first thing you saw as you entered our community and visitors would ask, "Why doesn't government do something about this old building. It's a real eyesore."

Well, we feel the time has come for

us to do something about it ourselves and the good citizens of Cherokee/Casuarina Point/Bahama Palm Shores Town Committee, in partnership with the Abaco Club at Winding Bay, feel that if we don't try to do something, nothing will ever get done.

A partnership has been formed for the benefit of both parties concerned and a Building Committee has been formed. From the Abaco Club three persons: Andrew Fry, Chairman, Ron Parker and Freddie Munnings, Jr. The government doctor for South Abaco, Margo Seymour, will serve as Assistant Treasurer. Six members of local government, Vashti Albury, Co-chairman; Sandra Albury, Secretary and Treasurer; Rex Albury; Preston Roberts; John Hudson, Chairman of the Town Committee; Kenneth Albury and Administrator Benjamin Pinder, have all volunteered their time to be on the com-

mittee.

Drafting services were kindly offered by long-time Abaco resident, Michael Wheeler, and plans were submitted to the Ministry of Health for review and approval. The official groundbreaking ceremony took place on October 27 at the site of the original building. Members of the committee were on hand as well as a small contingent of interested local residents who wished to witness the historic event, about 30 persons.

It is anticipated that materials will be donated, both from the Abaco Club as well as Abaco businesses. The Committee will be looking for volunteer labour. We have a long road ahead and lots of fundraising to do. But this is something we have wanted for a long time and it is something that is desperately needed. The Committee has come up with a slogan, Coming Soon - With Your Help. Some materials will need to be purchased and tradesmen hired, but there will be plenty of menial tasks that will need to be done and that's where you and I come in.

So, for our new clinic, for all of us and our many visitors, come out and do your part.

The first fundraiser will be held on November 12, a Steak-Out and Fun Day with lots of new and different games and competitions to be held at the Cherokee Primary School grounds.

### New warning signal

A new red light has been added to the top of our telecommunications tower. A crew of workmen were in Cherokee for a week repairing, replacing and securing cables and wires on the tower. Consider-

able damage was done to the cables when they broke free of their restraints during a recent wind storm.

We lost a good chunk off the top of the tower in Hurricane Floyd, and it was never replaced. Without a light it could be a hazard to low flying aircraft in bad weather and a light was definitely needed to be added to the remaining structure for safety's sake.

### Record rainfall for October

We have had lots of rain in October and surpassed the annual average of eight inches by almost five inches for a grand total of 14.30 inches. The rainwater seems to have nowhere to drain off and collected in puddles and little pools in all the yards. The Bridge Creek water looks like it is running with Coca Cola it is so rusty and brown looking. However, the trees and grass love it, and everyone's garden is flourishing, the birds are singing and the ducks are quacking.

### After Shock celebrates the 1950s

The youth of Cherokee and surrounding areas had an old-fashioned party with hamburgers and root beer floats, even some of the sodas were in glass bottles, something you rarely see any more. Some of the young girls dressed in clothes of the 1950s and they danced to the Twist and tried the Hoola Hoop. They were introduced to household items that were used back then and heard stories from persons who lived

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Andrew Fry, Chairman of the committee to oversee the building of the clinic in Cherokee Sound, is shown speaking to the group who watched the groundbreaking ceremony on October 27.




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# South Abaco News

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through that era.

The After Shock group has two competing teams, Team Mustard and Team Ketchup, who competed in several games of skill and reasoning. The party began and ended with a prayer and the Bible was referenced throughout the evening by the leaders, Sherry and Andy Lowe, showing the young people how God influences every part of their lives. Everyone had a good time and the evening finished off with a game of basketball.

## Remembering an old friend

I recently attended the funeral of Doris Marie Lowe, a lifelong resident of Cher-

okee Sound and an old, dear friend. Not that we were that close, but as anyone who knew Ms. Doris could attest, once you met her you were instantly one of the family. At 92 years she knew all about you or your family and always had some interesting or funny story to tell you about her youth or yours.

An avid reader, even though she had poor eyesight, reading was always a great joy in her life. She read her Bible regularly and could quote chapter and verse and attended church regularly, as well as remember every line of a favourite hymn she learned as a child. She could recall a memorized poem from the Royal Readers that she had learned while attending Cherokee All-Age School in the 1920s and 30s in the old one-room schoolhouse.

She knew a lot about life and passed on her knowledge and experiences whenever she could. Always pleasant with a good outlook, she never complained, at least not while I was in her company. She spent the last four years of her life at Sybil's House in Dundas Town, and a visit with Ms. Doris always left you smiling.

I first met her in 1961 on a visit to Cherokee Sound on an August Monday Excursion on the local mail boat. Everyone met on Ms. Lily's water tank on a Saturday afternoon to wait for the freshly churned up ice cream being made by Mr. Ossie. Doris's children were still young then and

kept her pretty busy. But I remember Ms. Doris, Ms. Grace, Eva Bain and Gerney Sands sitting in Ms. Inez's living room most every evening talking about the news of the day or what was happening with their children or the weather or just reminiscing about old times. Those were history lessons that will never be taught in school.

Do any of us really appreciate our old timers like we should? I've heard them referred to as "eye-winkers," I guess in reference to their ability to nod off easily which comes along with old age. Mr. Gerney is

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## DNA leader and candidate visit Moore's Island



The DNA Party Leader, Branville McCartney, and Roscoe Thompson III, DNA's candidate for South Abaco, travelled to Moore's Island on October 22 to express to them the concerns and plans for change their party proposes in their community and The Bahamas. Shown are Roscoe Thompson III, left, Mr. McCartney, second from right, and two supporters of the DNA.



Some of the young people in Cherokee Sound, members of After Shock, enjoyed a party reminiscent of the 1950s. Their food and games introduced them to the era of their grandparents.



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# The Editor Says . . . Energy Conservation



A recent energy forum held in Nassau over the weekend of November 4 brought to light several government policies or proposals concerning energy conservation. Government is beginning to see the wisdom in encouraging energy conservation and is giving either incentives to this end or is studying legislation or proposals on a variety of energy issues.

Reduction in energy use has several benefits. The most obvious is the lower energy or electric bill the consumer sees. That is an immediate benefit. Less obvious is the reduced demand on Bahamas Electricity Corporation which can now serve more customers with the same generating capacity. Adding more generators is expensive and does nothing to reduce the customers' electric bills. An even more obscure benefit to electrical conservation is the reduced demand on the Treasury for foreign exchange to pay for the imported fuel.

Like The Bahamas, Hawaii imports all its fuel for electricity production and spent something like \$7 billion a year for fuel. Years ago that state embarked on using solar and other alternate energy techniques to reduce its dependence and expense for imported fuel.

As a result Hawaii cut its fuel bill in half while creating local jobs and manufacturing capabilities. Approximately \$3 billion that previously went to foreign oil suppliers now stays in Hawaii, boosting the local economy although the consumer's electric bill is about the same as before.

The archipelagic nature of The Bahamas combined with a relatively small population makes energy conservation both interesting and challenging.

Government has been slow to recognize and accept the need for energy conservation. Various departments and agencies have given lip service to the concept for several years but only recently has government shown a coordinated effort toward energy savings and conservation.

Piecemeal legislation, regulations and rules are now in place to encourage consumers, businesses and industry to invest in new technology and switch much of their energy demands from BEC to alternate methods. And there are many alter-

nate methods for homeowners and businesses to choose from.

Beyond conservation measures, it appears that encouraging homeowners and businesses to implement power generation from solar methods is the country's quickest route to relieve BEC. The sooner government can consolidate its various incentives and accompanying legislation, the sooner will BEC see a measure of relief. Allowing individuals to sell surplus power to BEC will encourage residential and business installations.

At this time it is probably not feasible for BEC to consider solar methods at the required size. Florida Power just commissioned a 75 megawatt solar installation in Florida that cost about \$450 million and is situated beside a 3,000 megawatt conventional power plant. That is not an investment to be taken lightly.

Many solar photovoltaic or PV options are available for residential use but they are expensive and require technical knowledge by the installer for satisfactory results. For the average homeowner, these are both exotic and expensive.

For daylight, light pipes are relatively inexpensive and will take daylight into interior rooms. These are available in Florida at Home Depot and Lowe's.

Another easy one but somewhat pricey is solar water heating. This is proven technology and available in a variety of configurations.

Wind turbines are available for domestic use but are expensive and may require extensive roof bracing. Small wind turbines, as sometimes seen on sailboats, will not normally give enough electricity for domestic house use. Sailboat people are usually quite conservative (stingy) with their electrical use.

Geo-thermal air conditioning, used extensively at Schooner Bay, is a more efficient air conditioning method than conven-

tional equipment. It is best used for new construction and is somewhat impractical for replacing existing equipment. This system requires several wells and uses ground water as the heat exchange medium. The new BEC power plant at Wilson City uses ground water for cooling its generators.

New construction should make better use of natural ventilation, possibly augmented with a whole-house fan. There are many days when our outside air is very comfortable, but we still rely on the air conditioner. Commercial and government buildings are particularly bad in this respect with no provision for natural ventilation. Businesses do not want open windows, but their air conditioning equipment should have provision for bringing cool outside air into the building. Residential buildings are slightly better with windows that open, but there is often little incentive for air transfer to take place.

Speeches and policy papers at the recent energy forum in Nassau alluded to many of the new regulations and reduced customs duties put in place to encourage alternate energy installations. However, government needs to consolidate those incentives for the consumer. Although concessions may be in place, there is much confusion among customs officers who collect the duty, the brokers who prepare the customs entries and any attempts to take advantage of these incentives. Government's concessions should be clearly stated so all parties understand how to take advantage of them. Specific information is difficult to get.

A recent forum between customs brokers throughout The Bahamas and Customs officials left the view that the concessions were in place and real, but the brokers left without a clear understanding of the particulars. If the brokers are not sure, how is the public to know.

For instance, there is no question that a complete solar water heater system or a

complete solar PV panel system gets concessions. But when someone attempts to add components, he finds that there is no provision for component pieces. We have many people who would build their own systems, but the present rules do not encourage this. There is room for improvement in using these concessions. Government is encouraging these installations to lower the loss of foreign exchange on fuel purchases and to reduce the demands on its electric systems.

Government could do better in setting an example. We are confident that our new terminal building and the new administration building will make extensive use of air conditioning even though there are many days when Mother Nature's air would do just as well. The terminal is a single story building with a high pitched roof. Exterior sunshine could be brought in with extensive use of light pipes with no panels, converters, regulators or other technology to buy or maintain. For those interested go to [www.solatube.com](http://www.solatube.com) for more information.

Government is bringing conservation issues to our attention, but it is oblivious to doing these things itself. Programmable thermostats in government buildings would reduce the electrical demands at nights and on weekends when most of these buildings are empty. The thermostats are relatively inexpensive.

Government is studying some of these technologies to see if they apply here. This is another case of reinventing the wheel as the technology is being used elsewhere successfully, and there are many impressive studies to support savings or environmental claims. Twenty miles south of Marsh Harbour is the community of Little Harbour with about 50 residences, all operating on solar power. This includes a restaurant and bar with an ice machine.

We sell sunshine to our visitors. We should be using it to our advantage.

## In My Humble Opinion

By Stephanie Humblestone

He ran up the steps of the Hope Town Harbour Lodge with a levity which suggested he had not a care in the world - at least none he chose to acknowledge.

He disappeared into the interior of the hotel, then materialized a few moments later on the top step. He was young, dashing and had not a hair out of place.

"Come on, darling," he shouted down to the tiny figure below. "We'll be late for Happy Hour!"

(I have to wonder if any hour of the day could be happy living with him.)

Trudging wearily up the steps came the little lady, weighed down by two huge suitcases, ravaged by three screaming children, hair styled by El Nino and labouring

## Excess Baggage

heavily under the strain of all three.

I passed the blackguard in the foyer of the hotel, kept my feet to myself and threw a sympathetic glance at his faithful mule.

"Where do we check in?" he asked. I signaled towards the office but could not resist asking him somewhat pointedly how he was "doing" today.

"Great, absolutely wonderful," he replied, oblivious to my sarcasm.

"Nice and refreshed after your long journey?" I enquired.

"Feel great," he replied, flashing me an expensively-chiseled, cosmetic smile.

I bet you do, I wanted to say while the beast of burden carries her weight, the children's and yours!

However, I held my tongue and instead wondered if I had been too quick to rush to judgment. Maybe he had a failing ticker, bad back or an extraordinarily independent wife.

All three left my mind when minutes later he came rushing out of the office, mumbling something about leaving his surf board down at the Lodge's ferry dock.

Happily, he did not chastise his wife for not bringing it up with the rest of the luggage. That might have been my breaking point.

Like a bat out of hell, he literally flew down the steps, and I watched as he ran towards the dock, fearful that he had left his board on the ferry which was now on its way out of the harbour.

While he was in frenzied pursuit of his board, his wife sat slumped in a chair in the hallway while the two older children made a bee line for the pool and the beach.

In record Olympic time the cad returned, bearing a long board which must have been all nine feet and weighed at least 25 pounds. He was not puffing.

In the late afternoon on the steps of the Hope Town Harbour Lodge chivalry died an instant death, but I had to quickly remind myself that all was not lost.

Here on Abaco I have seen and experienced first hand chivalry and know that old school politeness prevails for the most part, especially among the locals who have a balanced attitude towards women.

They are aware that by definition a woman living on the islands has to have some measure of independence. Hence, they do not rush to assist except when she is clearly in need of a helping hand.

I remember buckling under the weight of a heavy piece of furniture I attempted to carry from the ferry dock to my house in the middle of Hope Town. Within moments I was offered assistance from a couple of local guys which I graciously accepted.

Over the years I have traveled regularly on Albury's Ferry back and forth from the cays to Marsh Harbour. I see women struggle with cumbersome luggage, and I have observed how ferry drivers are quick to assist without expectation of remuneration. I have noticed, too, that these same men extend their hands to passengers getting on and off the boats. The same applies to taxi drivers who are equally helpful with bags and packages.

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# Letters to the Editor

## Pothole Naming

Dear Editor,

In 1994 a group of quidnuncs proclaimed the week of June 15, 1994, Pot Hole Week on Abaco.

Today there are more and larger potholes than in 1994 and so the week of November 13, 2011, has been declared Pot Hole Week 2011.

Potholes to be named are as follows:

- Albury's Crumper
- Archer's Shame
- Mill's Crater
- Cooper's Monstrosity
- Curry's Destroyer
- Cornish's Elephantine
- Delancy's Disability
- Grant's Break-up
- Sawyer's Cavern
- Schaeffer's Disgrace

The official naming will take place at the entrance to the government complex in January 2012, time to be announced.

Disgruntled, disgusted,  
Pot Holer

## Concerned about government fees

To the Prime Minister and Cabinet Members

It seems as if all of you have lost your God given senses. For over a year we have had to pay ungodly, exorbitant vehicle license fees, ranging anywhere from a 100 percent to 300 percent increase. What used to cost around \$195 is now \$595. Duty on vehicles went up to around 85 percent. Do you have any conscience when the economy has been in a tailspin for several years?

Are you thinking like the PLP of old who thought that a vehicle was a luxury and not a necessity? If that is the case, then I would like to see you paying for the vehicles that we the public pay for what you are driving around so carelessly at times.

You and your Cabinet members enjoy thousands of dollars annually duty free for shopping abroad while we the public only have \$600 annually duty free. Is this fair? Also, another injustice is that children under the age of 12 have to pay full departure tax when leaving the Bahamas but upon returning, they cannot claim any duty exemption on items purchased for them. When you are elected to serve in Parliament, automatically you become honour-

able this and honourable that. The word honourable, along with respect, should be earned and not be bestowed as soon as you enter the halls of Parliament.

Also, you are constantly borrowing money beyond our means as we are only a small nation of around 330,000 in population. Do not borrow our children's and grandchildren's inheritance. It seems you do not care about this as probably most of you will not be around when it is payback time. Your actions are no different than those of the President and Cabinet of the USA. You are constantly borrowing and raising our taxes. Unless it is an emergency or of the utmost importance, we should try and live within our means.

You may say that if you do not borrow, you will not be able to do the things you do. That may be true to a certain extent but not when the economy is down. If you want the economy to grow, then cut expenses, especially the unnecessary overtime that some of your departments incur. Also, stop using government vehicles for personal use after normal working hours.

The airport and hospital projects are greatly needed and past due, but the government complex should have waited for a better economy. With the government complex project, you have further damaged the economy in Abaco as we will have quite a few buildings vacant next year and unemployment will increase because of this.

Please manage our economy wisely and prudently, but what could you expect when lawyers and doctors are running the country. We need successful and prudent businessmen to get this country back on track, which I trust will happen in the next election.

Abaconian concerned about the future

## Get derelict vehicles out of town

Dear Editor,

I am writing because I am sickened every day when I pass that disgusting eyesore in the middle of town (Marsh Harbour). I am referring to the group of derelict vehicles parked near the road across from Texaco.

I don't know why the police or local government hasn't contacted whoever has put them there and had them moved. They

make Marsh Harbour look like a dirty slum.

It pains me to think that hundreds of our tourists pass by that sight almost daily; what must they think of us when they see that? It is terrible that someone in this community thinks that this is okay, and has put those vehicles there - if they want them so badly put them in their own yard.

I call on the authorities that be to remove those vehicles immediately as they are a shame and dishonor to the good people of Abaco.

Irate

## No Tar No Tax

Dear Editor,

Potholes are everywhere but the Ministry of Works is nowhere to be found. The number of potholes throughout Marsh Harbour is not only ridiculous, it is dangerous.

Thanks to potholes in the roads the front shocks on my vehicle are busted and need repair. I won't dare submit a bill to the Ministry because I know what a complete waste of time that would be.

What I want to know is why it is like this? How long does it take to get a load of patch and go hole to hole and fix it? I wouldn't be upset if they were out trying to fix it - I know we have had quite a bit of rain lately; however, it has not rained every day.

I, just like many Bahamians, work hard for my pay check, and every year I pay about \$200 in license and inspection fees. We all pay a tax on the gas we buy and numerous other taxes and fees that are earmarked for road works.

Here in Marsh Harbour we have not

seen any money spent on road works for far too long. It has been at least 15 or more years since any tarring has taken place. This is the main artery of Central Abaco that the majority of our guests see when they visit our island and it is a disgrace.

Knowing that Abaco contributes the second largest amount of taxes and fees to the public treasury, I find it unacceptable that we have to beg and plead for endless years to get what is rightfully due to us. The purpose of the road tariffs we pay is to ensure roads are built and maintained; however, it's not being done.

Do we need to stage a protest to get attention? The government has promised us blacktop/hot mix for our roads since the beginning of this year, and it is yet to start. We need to tell the government "No Tar, No Tax!"

We should not continue to accept the government's negligence in dealing with the things that are due to us. We need to demand what is rightfully ours.

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# Central Abaco News

## Run Walk raises funds for Cancer Society

By Jennifer Hudson

The second annual Monica Adderley Fun Run /Walk was held on October 22. This fundraiser, which was organized by the Anglican Church Women's Group of St John the Baptist Anglican Church in Marsh Harbour, was the second to be held in honour of Mrs. Adderley, who is a patron of the church and a cancer survivor. Part of the proceeds from the event will be donated to the Abaco Cancer So-



The Anglican Women's Group of the church in Marsh Harbour held its second Monica Adderley Fun Run/Walk to raise funds for the Abaco Cancer Society. Shown is the winner of the event, Adrian Newbold, Jr., being given his award while Mrs. Adderley looks on.

ciety at a ceremony next month.

Participants met at 6:30 a.m. at Crossing Beach from whence they proceeded to either run or walk depending on their energy level to the Anglican Church on Don MacKay Boulevard. Eighty persons representing all age groups participated in the walk/run with the youngest being four years of age and the oldest 71 years. Following the walk, a mini pep rally was held in conjunction with the Abaco Cancer Society. The honoree herself spoke a few words and Veronica Saunders, patient advocate with the Abaco Cancer Society, spoke briefly on the work of the society, explaining how it assists cancer sufferers within the community. Also present was a representative from the Anglican Church Women's Council of Nassau.

Following the pep talks, awards were presented to winners in all of the different age groups in each of the walk and run categories. The overall winner award went to 11-year-old Adrian Newbold Jr., a seventh grade student at St Francis de Sales School.

Members of The Anglican Church Women's group wish to thank the community for its support. They are very appreciative to the business community for donations and to all those who made the effort to walk/run.

## Salvage operators meet with steel buyers

By Canishka Alexander

Members of the Abaco Salvage Operators Association met with Mitch Hammer, David Hammer and Brandon Murray of Gateway Steel Group on November 3 at the District Council Office. Mr. Hammer explained that he wanted to make sense of the scrap metal business for the operators and to create a structure that would put them on the same team. Essentially, he wanted them to view each other as family.

He explained that when containers are loaded, the end buyer will advance funds for the transportation of the containers to the Association. From there, the money will be distributed to the operators' bank account by the Association.

Mr. Hammer said that Abaco holds many opportunities, and that he will reinvest in our economy by taking some or potentially all of their profits earned to create a technical/vocational school to train people on how to cut steel among other things.

"We can do anything, so for this last

chapter or forever long I've got left, I want to have some fun," Mr. Hammer said. "Fun for me comes from one source - seeing other people smiling."

After 35 years as a businessman, Mr. Hammer admitted that there will be problems, challenges and roadblocks along the way, but they will have to come together to find solutions.

Sherilyn Cooper, president of the Abaco Salvage Operators Association, talked about the extension on the government's ban. Additionally, she was happy to state that, based on the Association's plans she presented to the Bahamas Customs Department, Customs has indicated that it is more willing to work with them as opposed to their sending their products to Nassau when materials are collected at one central location in preparation for export.

David Knowles, Chief Park Warden of the Bahamas National Trust, commented on the legitimacy the Association has brought to the industry and commended the

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Members of the Abaco Salvage Operators Association met with the owners of Gateway Steel Group, the company that will be buying all salvage from Abaco. The local Association has made arrangements with Customs to ship direct to the States, not going through Nassau, after the ban on shipping all metals is lifted.

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Association members for reaching out to Gateway Steel Company as an expert in the scrap metal industry.

## Senior citizens enjoy luncheon

By Mirella Santillo

The annual Recognition Day honoring the senior citizens was celebrated this year on October 26, just before the end of Older Persons Month. The theme was *Older Peo-*

*ple - Power for Development.* The celebration took place at Friendship Tabernacle in Dundas Town.

People were picked up by bus from as far as Crown Haven in the North and Crossing Rocks in the South. Others arrived in vehicles lent by their church for the day, altogether about 50.

They were welcomed by Charlamae Fernander, Assistant Director of the Department of Social Services on Abaco, together with members of her staff. They led the seniors in singing and praying and the

seniors enjoyed socializing as some of the honorees had not seen each other since last year's reunion. A minute of silence was observed in memory of Bishop Roland Swain, who passed away in September. The seniors watched a movie *The Climb*,

a drama about the adventures and hardship of two mountain climbers in the Chilean Andes, that they all enjoyed.

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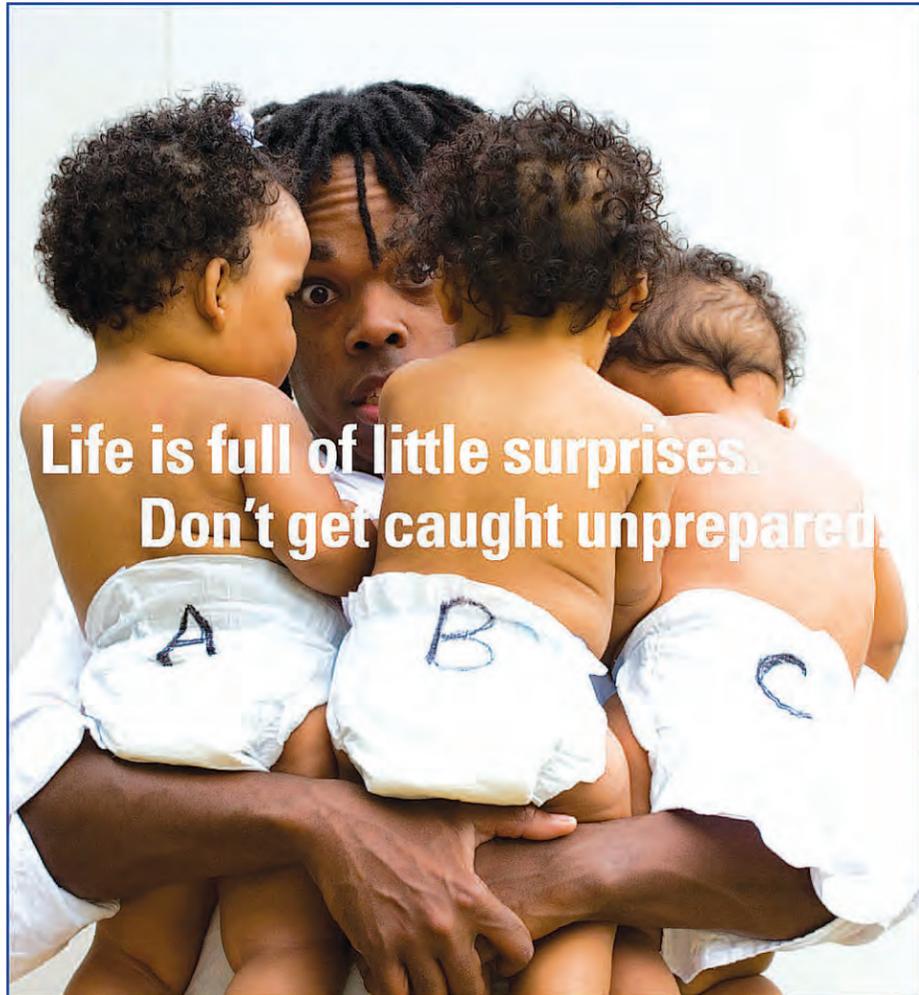


About 50 senior citizens enjoyed a social event planned by Social Services. They came from many communities on October 26 to enjoy socializing and a movie followed by a lunch prepared and served by Rotarians. They are shown here at Friendship Tabernacle.

## Administration building is nearly complete



The administration building will be finished later this year and will be turned over to the National Insurance Board. It is expected that government offices will be moving early in the new year.



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A luncheon, compliments of the Rotary Club of Abaco, was served by Rotarians. It was a leisurely meal that was enjoyed by all present. At the end of the meal, the oldest woman, Emily Butler, and the oldest man, George McKenzie, both in their 80s, were each presented with a gift by Social Services officer Barbara Williams.

Mrs. Fernander summarized the day's event by saying, "After being in contact with the seniors and getting advice from them, I'll leave the party feeling happier."

The function was organized by the staff of the Department of Social Services who coordinated the event and provided transportation, in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Abaco and Friendship Tabernacle. Pastor Silbert Mills offered the premises

as a venue for the event and organized the movie projection.

## Casper's Costume Bash entertained youth

By Samantha V. Evans

Usually during Halloween the kids look forward to trick-or-treating. But this Halloween they had several choices for parties, one being Casper's Costume Bash hosted by Infinity No Limit Outlet.

The first event began at noon on October 29 at the Anglican Parish Hall for kids ages 5 to 13. The kids took part in a treasure hunt, were fed and treated to a movie that ended at 4 p.m. At 6 p.m. the party for teens ages 13 to 18 was held at the hall. The costumes that won at this bash ranged from African Queens to Talk Show Hosts to Cocktail Waitresses and

the like. The teens watched a movie, took part in a dance and costume competition and were fed. This event ended at 11 p.m. The hall was spookily decorated for the occasion with spiders, bats, spider webs, and the crypt keeper. She even had human zombies and skeletons scaring people. A fee was charged for this event.

## Standard Hardware is hosting a charity raffle

By Bradley Albury

Throughout the months of November and December, Standard Hardware will be holding a Christmas charity raffle. All proceeds from ticket sales will go to the Marsh Harbour Volunteer Firemen's Association and the Abaco Cancer Society. The drawing will be on December 21.

For one dollar per ticket each contestant has a chance to win everything from name brand power tools to paint supplies to Salt Life products. All items are donated by Standard Hardware, allowing each raffle purchase to go fully towards these charities. Raffle tickets will be sold at the registers in the store.

To start spreading the Christmas cheer early, please donate to our local charities by purchasing a raffle ticket. When the winners are drawn in December, you may even be taking home an extra gift for yourself.

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## Spring City's park is being enlarged



The park in Spring City is being expanded with hopes of putting in a small baseball diamond. Big Cat Equipment donated its equipment and personnel to do the work. Uriel Delancy of the Marsh Harbour/Spring City Town committee facilitated this improvement.



Young people enjoyed Casper's Costume Bash when Infinity No Limit offered a Halloween party that included a costume competition, treasure hunt, movie and lunch.



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## Two trade shows are scheduled

By Canishka Alexander

Organizers and vendors of the International Home Trade Show returned to Abaco at the end of October to sell a wide range of home, automotive, and health and beauty products. The show was at the Faith Convention Center.

The International Home Trade Show is scheduled to be here until November 10, after which time, the promoters of the Global Beauty and Home Trade Show will set up shop from November 10-21. Alexander Oviedo and Astrid Herrera of Global Beauty are looking to host a family event that will feature fashion shows and free make-overs. Mr. Oviedo said that more than 250 products will be offered for sell, so he encouraged people to take advantage of the deals being offered. Both trade shows include live demonstrations of the products sold.

## Doctors scheduled at Auskell are honoured

The Grand Bahama Medical and Dental Association recently held its 11th Annual Conference and Awards Banquet. The two physicians honored this year for outstanding service were Dr. Paul Hunt, a pediatrician, and Dr. Augustine Ohueyi, an internist.

Both these doctors are regularly scheduled at the Auskell Medical Clinic as well as Dr. Freeman Lockhart, an orthopedic surgeon who is the President of the Association.

## New Business The Elite of the Elites

By Samantha V. Evans

Dellane "Creola" Kelly is the owner of the latest salon and spa on Abaco called Elite of the Elites. This business specializes in complete hair and nail care. The spa section offers full spa care including massages and facials by a trained technician. Mrs. Kelly, a hair stylist of 15 years, will feature accessories and hair products.

She stated that owning her own salon has been a dream of hers for more than 12 years. The name she chose was given to her by one of her sister,s and she kept in all these years. The business is located next to Abacom on Don MacKay Boulevard in Marsh Harbour. She will have six stylists, one barber and one nail technician on staff. Her business will open the first week of November. The business will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Thursday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. She can be contacted by calling 458-2467.

## Delicious Mouthful Deli

By Samantha V. Evans

Veleste Cornish aka The Phone Card Lady has a new business called Delicious Mouthful. For a year she stated that the beautiful people of Abaco supported her as she stood outside Teachers and Salaried Workers Union selling phone cards. It was these people who were the engine that took her to this point where she can now have her own business. Thanks to their support, she has now been elevated to a higher level in her career. Through her customers, she saw love, beauty, and genuine support for one year.

She welcomes her phone card customers to visit her at her new business in D & S Plaza. She misses them a lot and hopes that they will continue to support her. Ms. Cornish stated that she loves to cook so she put her experience into all of her dishes and subs. She has been in the restaurant business since she was 19 years old. This is her first love so she came back to it. She specializes in sandwiches, blended fruit juices and desserts. She serves sandwiches on wheat and white bread. Every day she has a special along with johnny cake, cassava bread, potato bread and other such food she learned to cook as a native Cat Islander.

She enjoys the feedback from her customers and so far has been blessed with a wonderful crowd of steady supporters. She is the only one working in the business and plans to keep it that way until she gets settled in. There is so much she wants to do at Delicious Mouthful but will allow it to happen over time. She plans to focus on native items such as island teas and more healthy dishes. She is sure that her plans will wow the Abaco community. She loves to bake, cook and create new things which make the dishes served unique every time.

Her deli is a good change for people to eat healthier. Her phone contact is 475-0455 and she invites persons to call her for her daily specials.

## Taste of Heaven

By Samantha V. Evans

Nakia Turner is the newest business owner on Abaco. Her business, Taste of Heaven, specializes in dried fruits and mixed nuts and opened on October 30. She started this business to give persons an alternative to junk food. Her business is a mobile one, but she delivers special or-

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## Deep well will help drain water at the airport



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# News of the Youth

## Youth Month Overview

By Timothy Roberts

October was designated Youth Month as the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture set about celebrating youth in The Bahamas under the theme Celebrating Youth: Get Involved in the 242, highlighting the accomplishments of young men and women, recognizing and encouraging their contributions.

Whelma Colebrook, Director of the Department of Youth and Sports on Abaco, said the events were well attended and supported by parents and the community. Participation in the events was great, and she was very happy to see local government across the entire island lending their support as well.

Ms. Colebrook said that Youth Month aims to showcase the talents and accomplishments of the youth in the country over the past year and to encourage adults to take a more active role in youth development and getting youth involved in positive activities.

Church services were held in different areas of Abaco, heading the list of activities of the month with people meeting at Dundas Town Church of God and St. Marks Baptist Church in Crossing Rocks, both services on October 9.

There was a youth march from the Methodist Church to Dundas Town Church of God where an awards ceremony was held. The speaker for the event was Simone Bowe Mullings, who spoke on the theme of Youth Month. Eva Bain spoke at the service in Crossing Rocks at St. Marks Baptist Church on the same topic.

Ms. Mullings attended Ebenezer Baptist's service in Cedar Harbour on October 23 for a closing service, while Green Turtle Cay closed the month with a service led by Ryan Forbes at the Church of God there.

From October 20 through 22 schools from across the Abaco along with schools from Nassau, Bimini and Harbour Island came together and competed in a basketball tournament at Grace Gym in Marsh Harbour.

The end of Youth Month was highlighted by a Pep Rally held at Central Abaco Primary on October 29. The night featured the talents of students and young people who did drama, singing and dancing. The featured speaker for the evening was the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture's Director of Youth, Darron Turnquest, who gave an inspiring talk to the audience. Awards were given to young people for their accomplishments during the past year.

## Ministry donates to mentorship program

By Canishka Alexander

On November 1 Ishmael Morley presented a donation to Bekera Taylor of Infinity Mentors of Abaco and Beyond on behalf of the Ministry of Youth, Sports and Culture. Ms. Taylor expressed gratitude to the Ministry and was delighted to accept the donation, which will assist her in mentoring young people through her business venture called the Abaco Center for Performing Arts and Entertainment located in Marsh Harbour. She will be holding vari-

ous fundraising activities that will assist this venture.

"Your coming out to these events will support our mentorship program greatly," Ms. Taylor said. "There are opportunities for people in the community who love dealing with children and assisting them to be able to come on board with us and join in on this venture as shareholders as well as persons working as a part of the business."

Already they have brought in Michael Pintard's *Not My Good Child.*, On November 20 Ms. Taylor will feature a comedy show by David Wallace. A bridal show called Brides of the Caribbean is planned also.



The Ministry of Youth made a donation to Bekera Taylor of Infinity Mentors of Abaco. The presentation is being made by Ishmael Morley.

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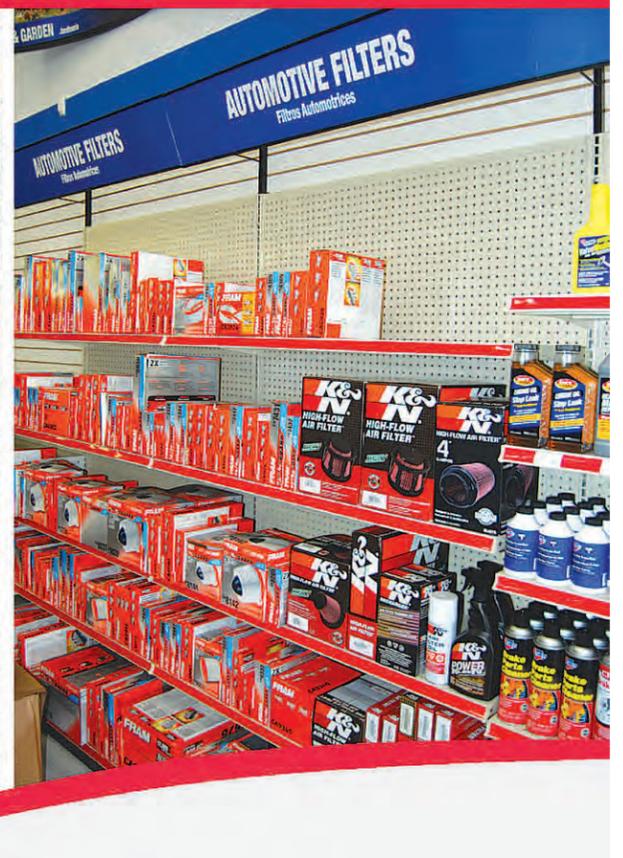


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ders to businesses and schools. She offers fruits such as mango slices, peach halves, papaya chunks, pineapple chunks, cranberries, fruit medley, banana chips, and mixed fruits. Her trail mixes are California mixes, cherry berry delight and fruit and nut baking mix. She now has a soynut snack available.

She encourages persons to call in their orders in advance because when she goes to businesses, she sells out quickly. She invites parents and schools to special order items as well so that the children can have their daily doses of fruits and nuts. She will be introducing trail mixes with oats for breakfast which can be eaten cold or as a warm cereal. Regular trail mixes can be special ordered as well.

All fruit and nuts are priced at \$3 and \$5.50. Business has been great and she had sold out several times already. For Christmas Ms. Turner will be offering special fruit and nuts trays. To place an order, persons can call 475-3062.

## Christian Counseling Centre expands

By Timothy Roberts

Since opening its doors more than four years ago in February 2007, the Christian Counseling Centre has expanded and has

carried out over 1000 consultations as the staff strives to fulfill their goal in helping hurting people.

With this growth the Christian Counseling Centre, an offspring of the centre in Nassau, has formed its own board of Christian men to oversee the affairs of the local branch. David Cartwright, Pastor of Marsh Harbour Gospel Chapel, is chairman of the board. Pastor of New Vision Ministries, Derek Benjamin, is treasurer, with counselor Margaret Smith taking the role of secretary. Pastor of Strong Tower Church, Stephen Knowles, and Robert Miller make up the remainder of the board members.

Pastor Knowles said that it is "a joy to be a part of this. It is good to have a place apart from the church to go to for people who are struggling." He added, as president of the Abaco Christian Council, that he will encourage all churches to take advantage of the counseling centre and to support the centre financially as well.

Pastor Benjamin noted that the counseling centre is a non-profit organization and that no one is turned away. They use a sliding scale to assist those who cannot afford to pay for counseling.

Pastor Cartwright, brother of the late Paul Cartwright, a long time board member of the Nassau Christian Counseling Centre, said he has always been a big sup-

porter of the centre and is happy to see it continuing here on Abaco. There are times when people need more help than the church can give, and the counseling centre was established to help hurting people.

Since August Psychiatrist Dr. David Allen has been coming once a month. While here he has held free seminars for the community, and the Counseling Centre looks forward to adding more programs in the future.

The Centre has held several parenting

classes and will be having another set in February, assisting parents in various skills in raising children. The classes have been well attended so far, and they look forward to seeing more parents involved.

The Christian Counseling Centre is seeking to see more community involvement in supporting the centre. On November 11 it put on a 5K/10K Fun Run/Walk from BAIC Park to the round-a-bout and back to raise money and awareness for its programs.

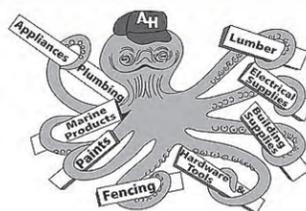


The Christian Counseling Center is expanding its programs and making changes to better serve the people of Abaco. The group recently formed its own board of directors. Shown are Margaret Smith, Secretary; Pastor David Cartwright, Chairman; Pastor Derek Benjamin, treasurer; and Pastor Stephen Knowles, director.

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# Obituaries of Family and Friends

The funeral service for **Prisca "Pris" McIntosh**, 19, of Cooper's Town was held on October 29 at Faith Walk Church of God in Cooper's Town. Pastor Jackson McIntosh officiated assisted by Archilus Cooper. Interment was in the Cooper's Town Cemetery.



Prisca "Pris" McIntosh

She is survived by her daughter O'Niejah Nixon; parents Gordon and Marjorie McIntosh; sisters Renesse Stuart, Regena Moxey, Reneka Cooper, Gordina Beadle; adopted sister Nakera McIntosh; brothers Cassius Rolle, Geno McIntosh, Floyd McIntosh; grandparents Pearl Clay and Arlene McIntosh; nieces Jaarona Stuart, Vashti Cooper, Renniah Deleveaux, Shanoy, Tashauna and Deandra Beadle; nephews Anthony McIntosh, Callan Munroe, Vince Cooper III., Gabriel Beadle, Natavieo and Natray McIntosh; Dean Beadle Jr.; aunts Bernise, Othlease, Maggie, Marilyn, Priscilla, Vokia, Debbie, Eleanor, Esmee (Trinky), Babara, Norma, Meoshie, Deloris, Faye, Iva, Coretta, Lavinia, Vangie and Pevan, Julie; uncles Brian, John McIntosh, Micheal, Timothy (Dim), Jackson, Jollian, Elvis, Carlton, Daniel (Danny), Walter Jr, Ned, Clarke, John Clay, Theophilos (Palay) and Garnet; granduncles Fletcher, Roy, Rington Lerman Sr; grandaunt Ruthmae, Vera Colebrook; brother-in-law Dane Beadle; cousins Kevin, Jessico, Pernell, Akeem, John, Julianne, Almeta, Raquel, Kendra, Cindy, Hillary, Javal, Ivaniasha, Algerio,

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The funeral service for **Mable Joseph**, 63, of Cooper's Town was held on November 5 at Revival Time Pentecostal Church of God in Cooper's Town. Rev. Rex Carey and Bishop Archilaus Cooper officiated assisted by other ministers. Interment was in the South Side Cemetery in Cooper's Town.



Mable Joseph

She is survived by her husband Sonny Joseph; son Nigel Wright; sister Rebecca McKenzie; brothers Bishop Henry Joseph, Lofton, Earskin and Alphonso Wright; numerous nieces, nephews and a host of other relative and friends.

**Alfred Omar Penn** was born on September 22, 1974, to John Penn and Whitlene Curry. Omar attended the Amy Roberts Primary School and furthered his education at Abaco Central High School. He received his senior education at Hawsbill High School in Freeport, Grand Bahama.

At the age of 16 he worked at the Green Turtle Club. He worshiped at St. Peter's Anglican Church and was an altar boy for many years.

He later moved to Freeport where he worked at BORCO Oil Refinery and later Dolphin Marina. While



Omar Penn

in Freeport, Omar obtained his Maritime License. Later he became self-employed as a car salesman. Omar returned home to Abaco and lived in Marsh Harbour where he worked at Island Cellular.

Omar was a avid boats man, a Scout leader with the 10th Abaco Sea Scout Company, took part in mentoring young adults with baseball and a good father to his kids Antonie, Ahmard and Lorenz, who he took as his own son. Omar read his Bible and pondered some very important verses.

On October 28 Omar died at the age of 37 in a fatal traffic accident that sent him home to meet the Lord, his maker.

He is survived by his children Antonie and Ahmard Penn and Lorenz Carter; parents John Penn and Whitlene Curry; special friend Josefina Adderley; sisters Natasha Curry, Nattel Russell, Jonnae Penn and Nicky Wells; brothers Ondrae Rolle

and Chad Cooper; aunts Mavis Jmayoff, Margarett Curry, Remilda Thomas, Leonie Penn and Enid Quant; uncles Tellis and Beltrum Curry, Lee, Jr., Daniel and McDonald Penn and Neville Adderley; nieces Aryanna Rolle, Cynthia Rolle and Andrea Wells; nephew Chaz Curry; brother-in-law Andre Wells; aunts-in-law Sylvia and Ingrid Curry, Mayglenna Penn and Shelia Adderley; uncles-in-law George Jmayoff and Maurice Quant; grandaunts Violet Roberts, Jenny Reckley, Berline, Viola and Marion Curry; granduncles Paul and James Curry; godparents Sandra and Kevin McIntosh and Joel Reckley; godchildren Whitley, Sharine, Paulette, Deaisha, Searia, Natalee, Jersey and Angelique; cousins Chandra Penn, Otis, Reggie, Brent, Clint, Colby, Dennis, Rosie Mayhand, Vonetta Spence, Emma Cason, Portia and Joe Haywood; and many other relatives and friends.

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of **Capt. Lewis Augustus Key** was held on November 9 at Bible Truth Hall in Marsh Harbour. Internment was in the Garden of Memories in Marsh Harbour.



Lewis Key

April 24, 1935 ~ November 3, 2011.

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**Saturday, November 26, 2011**

Departing Marsh Harbour ferry dock  
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Returning to Marsh Harbour  
1:30 pm 3 pm 4 pm

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## Thanksgiving Dinner

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**TREASURE CAY**

**Houses**

"Camelot" # 1234 - Beachfront Estate. New custom designed 4 bed, 4 bath, elegantly furnished Ocean Blvd home, plus 2 bed, 1 bath guest house. Total 7,793 s/f under roof on 1.5 acres with 150' beach frontage, Beachside pool. \$ 8,049,000.

"Girasole" # 1551 - Delightful 4 bed, 4.5 bath elevated Italian villa style beach home, plus 2 bed, 2 bath separate guest accommodations. Elegantly furnished, many upgrades/extras. 45,000 s/f landscaped grounds, 100' + beach frontage. \$4,450,000.

"Summertime" # 1550 - Ocean Blvd. Superb 3 bed, 2 bath beach home plus 2 bed, 2 bath guest house. 3,600 s/f under air plus 4,100 s/f open & covered patios. Tastefully furnished. 1.37 acres, 133' beach frontage. \$3,995,000.

Brigantine Bay Canal Home # 1589 - Newly built 4 bed, 4 bath unfurnished home. 3,150 s/f under air, 4,850 s/f total. Many extras. 15,306 s/f parcel, 91' canal frontage, lay-along & finger docks, boat lift. \$2,995,000.

"Turtle View" - # 1778 - 3 bed, 2 bath, 4,088 sq. ft. elegantly furnished home on landscaped 14,000 s/f parcel with 68' frontage on Treasure Cay Beach. \$2,559,000.

"Tranquility" # 1307 - 4 bed, 5 bath, tastefully furnished 2 level canal home on 2 lots. 3,580 s/f under roof, plus decks/balconies. 90' canal frontage, dock, boat lift, Great water views, excellent condition. \$2,200,000.

Cutwater Way Canal Home - #1524 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 3,600 s/f home on Brigantine Bay. Newly built in 2008, elegantly furnished, many upgraded features. 144' bulkhead, 70' dock, boat lift. \$1,995,000.

"Turquoise" - #1696 - Ocean Blvd 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2,127 s/f furnished beach home on oversized 1.561 acre parcel with 170' of sandy Treasure Cay Beach frontage. \$1,899,000.

"Trident House" - #317 - 3 Bed 3.5 Bath furnished beachfront home on Treasure Cay Beach. 3,500 s/f living space, 2 garages, 16,000 s/f parcel with 100' sandy beach frontage. Fabulous Sea Views \$1,850,000.

"Windward Palms" # 1454 - Splendid 3 bed, 2 bath furnished Windward Beach home. 2,500 s/f under roof plus 1,600 s/f patios & walk on 16,000 s/f landscaped parcel with 100' sandy beach. Meticulously maintained, Many extras, superior sea views. \$1,500,000.

"Kokomo", Brigantine Bay #1509 - Charming 3 bed, 3 bath, 2 level, 3,000 s/f tastefully furnished canal home. Recently renovated and upgraded. 10,915 s/f parcel with 102' canal frontage, pool, spa, dock & boat lift. 3,000 s/f balcony, pool & patio decks. \$1,399,000.

"Seascape", Windward Beach # 1469 - 3 bed, 2 bath 2,050 s/f furnished beach home on spacious 26,125 s/f parcel with 120' sandy beach. \$1,379,000.

"Rising Sun" # 1780 - Windward Beach, 3 bed, 2.5 bath 2,118 s/f furnished home on 15,925 s/f parcel with 150' of sandy beach frontage. Superb sea views! \$1,310,000.

"Helen's Point" - # 1791 - 4 bedroom, 3 bath, approx. 1,800 sq. ft. tastefully furnished home on 27,908 s/f Sea of Abaco waterfront parcel with 153' of bulkheaded seawall & dock. \$1,308,000.

"Camelot" Windward Beach #1699 - Inspiring 3 bed, 3 bath, 2,600 s/f "turn-key" furnished beach home on 19,000 s/f parcel with 101' sandy beach frontage. Refurbished in 2000. Well Maintained, Includes 2003 Suzuki vehicle. \$1,299,000.

"Dolphin Watch" - Galleon Bay - # 1534 - 3 bed, 3.5 bath furnished home (including 2 bed, 2 bath guest cottage). Total 2,800 s/f living space. 18,000 s/f parcel, 74' bulkheaded canal frontage with dock. \$999,999.

Palm Bay Harbourfront Townhouse # 2 - #1071 - Newly constructed, unfurnished 3 bed, 3.5 bath, 2 level, 2,077 s/f home. Includes all major appliances. Exceptional water views. Owner Financing \$899,000.

"Laguna" Delightful Canal Home # 1875 - 3 bed, 2 bath, turn-key furnished 1,550 s/f Brigantine Bay home with dock, 16,000 lb boat lift, van, golf cart. \$669,000.

"Carrollville" #1352 - Near Treasure Cay -3 bed, 2 bath, 2,100 s/f hilltop home on 6 acres from highway to Sea. 165' water frontage. Spectacular sea views. \$599,000.

**TREASURE CAY**

Treasure House # 2 - #1777 - 2 bed, 2 bath topsider style 1,000 s/f furnished beachside villa. Exceptional elevated Sea & Treasure Cay Beach views. Just a few steps to beach & pool. \$569,000.

Treasure House # 11 - # 1592 - Delightful 2 bed, 2 bath comfortably furnished 1,000 s/f Topsider style beachside villa. Community pool, well maintained villa. Exceptional sea & beach views. \$549,995.

Treasure House # 4 - # 1582 - Charming 2 bed, 2 bath fully renovated & tastefully furnished 1,000 s/f Topsider style beachside villa. Many upgrades. Community pool, well maintained beachfront complex. \$499,950.

Ocean Villa 916 - #1737 - 2 bed 3 bath "turn-key" 900 s/f furnished villa. Unobstructed sea views, Close to beach. Good vacation rental potential. \$429,995.

#1898 - "Starfish Cottage" Beach Villa 503A & B 2 adjoining, self contained, 1 bed, 1 bath furnished villas near beach. Great Rental Income Potential \$369,000.

#1921 - 3 Marlin Dr. 3 bed, 3 bath, 1,276 s/f furnished home near beach on 12,800 s/f parcel \$399,000.

"Toad Hall" # 1373 - 5 bed/4 bath, 4,000 s/f, 2 level Ocean Blvd. furnished ocean view home includes 1 bed/1 bath apartment on 12,000 s/f parcel. Private beach access. \$399,000.

Treasure House # 8 - #1697 - Beachside 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,000 s/f furnished Topsider villa. Community pool, great sea views. \$399,000.

Beach Villa # 605 - # 1635 - 1 bed, 2 bath well maintained & elegantly furnished "turn-key" villa. Washer/dryer. Many extras & upgrades. Can be modified for 2nd bedroom. Close to beach. \$375,000.

Beach Villa 673-#1847, 2 bed, 2 bath furnished 1,000 s/f, Near pool/beach, refurbished, well maintained. \$359,000.

Beach Villas # 526 - # 1851 - Charming 2 bed, 2 bath furnished villa near beach, pool & shopping \$299,950.

Beach Villa 607 - # 1982 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 900 s/f furnished villa near beach, pool, shops & marina \$279,000.

St. Andrews Estates # 1500 - 2,387 s/f 3 bed, 2 bath furnished home on 13,000 s/f parcel adjacent to golf course. MOTIVATED SELLER! \$229,000.

Beach Villa 527-#1852, Charming 2 bed, 2 bath furnished, near pool/beach, shopping \$199,000.

**Condos**

Royal Poinciana Beachfront Condo # 2505-Phase 4 # 716) Premier 3 level, 3 bed, 4.5 bath, plus loft newly built condo. 2,860 s/f under roof, 644 s/f covered/open balconies/porches. OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE! \$1,995,000.

Bahama Beach Club 2020 - # 1139 - 3 bed, 2 bath, 1,650 s/f 2nd level beachfront condo, Stunningly furnished, elegantly decorated. Superior beach & ocean views. \$1,035,000.

Bahama Beach Club 2047 - # 1468 - 3 bed, 3 bath, ground level Phase 5 unit, 1,750 s/f living space condo, close to beach, tastefully furnished, numerous upgrades & enhancements. Superb sea views. \$887,000.

Carleton Landing - Carriage House # 1 - # 1621 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1,755 s/f ground level furnished condo on Brigantine Bay. New construction. Includes community pool, finger dock/private slip, 2 garages. \$855,000.

Bahama Beach Club # 2005 - # 1370 - 3 bed, 2 bath ground level 1,645 s/f comfortably furnished condo. Awesome sea views from most rooms Overlooks beach and pool. Great vacation residence. \$822,000.

Carleton Landing - Carriage House # 2 & 4 - # 1620 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1,755 s/f unfurnished 2nd level condos on Brigantine Bay. New construction. Community pool, finger dock/private slip, 2 garages. EACH \$799,000.

Pineapple Point Resort, Unit 3 - #1700 - Newly built, tastefully furnished 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,100 s/f ground level luxury waterfront condo. Private deep water dock, Fantastic water views, community pool. \$749,000.

**TREASURE CAY**

Carleton Landing - Carriage House # 3 - # 1984 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1,755 s/f unfurnished ground level condo on Brigantine Bay. New construction. Community pool, finger dock/private slip, 2 garages. NOW \$639,000.

Bahama Beach Club 2029 - # 755 - 3 bed, 2 bath ground level furnished condo, 1,650 s/f. Golf cart & garage included. Lowest priced condo at BBC. \$549,000.

Royal Palm Condo # 2424 - # 1399 - 3 bed, 3 bath, (including loft) 2nd level, 1,264 s/f furnished condo overlooking harbour. Well maintained, near beach, excellent rental income potential. \$549,000.

Royal Palm Condo # 2420 - # 1546 - 3 bed, 3 bath, (including loft) 2nd level, 1,264 s/f furnished condo. Great harbour & marina views. Well maintained, near beach, excellent rental income potential. \$549,000.

Royal Palm # 2435 - # 1881 - 3 bed, 3 bath 2nd level turn-key furnished 1,264 s/f harbourfront condo. Well maintained end unit. Sensational marina views \$549,000.

Bahama Beach Club # 2035 - # 1981 - 3 bed, 2 bath, 1,650 s/f furnished ground level condo. Overlooks pool & beach. Best Priced Condo at Bahama Beach Club \$529,000.

Royal Poinciana # 2511 - # 1480 - Deluxe 2 bed, 2 bath ground level furnished 1,800 s/f beachfront condo. Well maintained. Great sea views, excellent rental income potential. \$499,000.

Royal Palm # 2403 - 3 Bed, 2.5 Bath, 2nd level, 1,264 s/f turn-key furnished harbourfront condo. Totally renovated & refurbished in 2008. Many upgrades, well maintained, owner occupied. Fantastic marina views. \$499,000.

Sanddollar Condo # 3 - # 1699 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,000 s/f ground level furnished unit, Sensational sea views, community pool, Golf course nearby. \$499,000.

Atlantis Condo # 2202 - # 987 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 2nd level furnished canalfront unit, w/ boat slip, boat lift, golf cart, garage. "Turn-Key", Near beach. \$485,000.

Atlantis Condo # 2203 - # 1000 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 2nd level, 1,000 s/f furnished waterfront unit, includes fully serviced boat slip & golf cart garage. Overlooks Brigantine Bay, Near beach. \$464,000.

Sand Dollar Condo # 7 - #1456 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,000 s/f ground level furnished beachfront condo. Well maintained, superb sea views, community pool. Best Value! \$405,000.

Atlantis Condo 2117 - # 1741 - Turn-key, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 875 s/f ground level furnished unit. Well maintained, overlooks Brigantine Bay, includes private dock & boat slip. \$355,000.

Atlantis Condo 2109 - # 1990 - Turn-key, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1,000 s/f ground level furnished unit. Well maintained, overlooks Brigantine Bay, includes private dock & boat slip. \$349,000.

Royal Palm # 2306 # 1941 - 2 bed, 2 bath 950 s/f furnished ground level condo overlooking harbour & marina. Includes boat slip & storage unit. Beach nearby. \$299,000.

Royal Palm # 2311 # 1573 - 2 bed, 2 bath 950 s/f furnished ground level condo overlooking harbour & marina. Well maintained, Owner occupied (not a rental unit). Includes boat slip & storage unit. \$299,000.

Royal Palm # 2304 - # 1472 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 950 s/f furnished ground floor condo overlooking marina. Includes boat slip. Rental history. \$279,000.

**Mariner's Cove Condominiums:**  
# 1181 - 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 level, 1,650 s/f furnished harbour front condo. tastefully refurbished. \$599,000.  
# 985 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 2 level harbour front end unit, Refurbished in 2000 \$249,950.  
# 655 - 2 bed, 1 bath condo with marina view \$249,000.  
# 959 - 2 bed, 1 bath furnished 2 level condo overlooking marina, includes garage \$199,000.  
# 1942 - 1 bed, 1 bath, 450 s/f, 2nd level furnished unit overlooking community pool. \$199,000.  
# 1805 - 2 bed, 1.5 bath, 800 s/f, 2 level harbourside condo, tastefully furnished/decorated, well maintained. \$189,000.

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**TREASURE CAY Vacant Land  
Treasure Cay Beach Parcels**

- Ocean Blvd. Lot 90, Block 2 - #1992** - Unusually large beachfront lot with 140' sandy beach frontage. Ideal for estate home. Sensational sea views! All utilities available. **\$1,499,000.**
- Ocean Blvd. Beach Parcel #1842** - Exceptionally oversized 1.26 acre beach lot, 165' beach frontage. All utilities available. **\$1,499,000.**
- Beach & Canal Lot Package #941** - Windward Beach lot of 17,542 s/f with 100' of beach frontage on Sea of Abaco, PLUS Galleon Bay lot of 17,955 s/f with approx. 76' of sea-walled canal frontage. **\$1,446,000.**
- Superb Beachfront Parcel #1362** - Treasure Cay Blvd. Level & cleared beach lot, 12,600 s/f, 90' fabulous sandy beach frontage. Breath-taking sea views. **\$1,275,000.**
- 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. **\$1,195,000.**
- Windward Beach - Beach Parcel #1470** - 23,151 s/f parcel with 101' of stone wall & sandy beach on Sea of Abaco. All utilities available. **\$843,000.**

**Treasure Cay Area Development Parcel**

- Sand Banks Creek Acreage - #1988** - 24 acres at Treasure Cay entrance, 539' water frontage, 1,060' road frontage, good elevations. Ideal for commercial development. **\$995,000.**

**Treasure Cay Canal Parcels**

- Brigantine Bay - #1662** - Two adjoining single family residential lots, 13,602 s/f total with combined 144' of sea-walled frontage. All utilities available. Superb water views. **\$785,000.**
- Brigantine Bay - #1559** - 16,108 s/f level, cleared parcel with 164' of bulk headed & protected water frontage. Dock & dolphin pilings installed. **\$599,000.**
- Windward Beach Drive - Beach Parcel #1693** - Oversized 17,000 s/f parcel with 100' powder sand beach frontage & 2 tier sea wall. All utilities available. Suberb sea views. **\$599,000.**
- Treasure Cay Harbourfront Lot - #1804** - 13,678 s/f landscaped parcel, 153' of bulkheaded seawall, 140' of lay-along docks, garage, water & electricity **\$499,000.**
- Galleon Bay - #1441** - 28,072 s/f cleared parcel, 64' of bulkhead with dock & dock house. **\$498,500.**
- Brigantine Bay #1598** - Cleared lots 1 & 2A, 19,300 s/f 130' bulkheaded frontage, new dock. **\$495,000.**
- Galleon Bay #422** - Prime 10,295 s/f cleared canal lot, 88'+ protected canal frontage. Sea-walled, plus dock & davit pilings. All utilities available. **\$350,000.**
- Galleon Bay #1473** - Approx. 10,000 s/f canal parcel, 100'+ of sea-walled protected water frontage. utilities available. Easy access to sea. **\$349,950.**
- Brigantine Bay #1173 & 1174** - 2 adjacent deep water canal parcels, each 11,200 s/f, 80' bulk head, 140' depth. Cleared, utilities available. **EACH \$299,950.**
- Brigantine Bay #1494** - 18,807 s/f cleared parcel 120' deep water bulk-headed frontage. **\$270,000.**
- Brigantine Bay #1622-1632** - A selection of 11 adjoining level & cleared canal lots ranging in size from 11,673 s/f to 19,068 s/f with deep water canal frontages from 74' to 173'. All lots with bulkheaded sea walls installed. All utilities available. Great water views along sheltered Brigantine Bay. Listing # 1632 also includes 2 finger docks installed.  
**From \$266,000. to \$753,000.**
- Brigantine Canal #1971** - 17,300 s/f parcel, 123' sea walled frontage. All utilities available, Sea of Abaco views. **\$199,000.**

**Treasure Cay Inland Parcels**

- Multi-family Residential Lot - #1074** - 21,826 s/f parcel zoned "multi-family" near Treasure Cay Beach. Close to shops, restaurants, etc. Ideal for guest villas. **\$499,000.**
- Treasure Cay Drive Inland Lot - #1692** - Prime residential lot # 3 less than 200' from Treasure Cay Beach. All utilities available. 10,000 s/f **\$77,850.**
- Treasure Cay Sea Views Lots 10 & 11.** - #1908 - 2 adjoining inland lots on Windward Beach Drive. Total 21,600 s/f. All utilities available. **EACH \$74,995.**
- Treasure Cay Inland Lot #12, Block 194 - #1954** - 10,980 s/f cleared & leveled - ready for building, all utilities available. **\$69,000.**

**GUANA CAY**

- "Ridge Runner" #1185** - 6 bed, 4 bath, 3,100 s/f furnished home-main house, separate master suite, guest cottage, pool & dock. 1.74 elevated acres, 330' shoreline. Superb panoramic water views. **\$2,390,000.**
- Orchid Bay - Beachfront Parcel 25 - #1530** - 1.173 acre Atlantic Ocean lot, 130' sandy beach frontage. Excellent elevations, spectacular ocean views. Orchid Bay amenities include utilities, marina, restaurant, pool, tennis courts, beach pavillion, paved roads. **\$1,499,000.**
- "Summer Dreams" - #1814** - Furnished 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2.5 storey ocean view home on 7,408 s/f parcel. 2,000 s/f under air, 2,000 s/f covered porches. Dock slip included. **MOTIVATED SELLER! \$595,000.**

- "Secret Beach" #1267/1268** - Ocean Front Elevated Parcels 9A (19,190 s/f) & 9B (16,144 s/f) lots, each with 100' +/- of Atlantic Ocean rocky shoreline & sand beach frontage. Prime building sites. **EACH \$199,000.**

- Ocean Ridge Estates - #594** - 7 ocean & sea view residential lots from 7,686 sq. ft. to 16,740 sq. ft. Underground electrical infrastructure in place, dockage available in Boat Harbour, ocean & sea common community areas. **Lots from \$155,500.**

**BAHAMA PALM SHORES**

- Beach Front Parcel #714** - 45,343 s/f parcel, 100' ocean beach frontage. Electricity available. Ideal site for permanent residence or vacation home. **\$325,000.**
- Inland Lot - Near Beach - #1176** - Large 21,450 s/f level lot on main street, electricity & telephone available. **\$57,500.**
- Inland Lots 17 & 18, Blk. 4 #1868** - 2 adjoining lots of 10,000 s/f each. Short walk to beach. **Each at \$27,500.**
- Inland Lots 11 & 12 - #1661** - 2 adjoining lots, 9,600 s/f each in Sect.4. Short walk to Atlantic beach. Electricity available. **Each \$24,600.**

**CASUARINA POINT**

- "Casuarina Cottage" #1866** - 2 bed, 1 bath, 816 s/f semi-furnished cottage on 14,000 s/f lot with 127' of canal frontage with boat ramp. **\$175,000.**

**TURTLE ROCKS**

- "Coco Beach" #1676** - Newly built 3 bed, 3 bath, 3 level fully furnished beachfront home, 1,700 s/f under air, 1,290 s/f open patios. 0.93 acre parcel with 101' sandy beachfront, plus dock and boat lift. Sensational sea views from virtually every room. **\$999,000.**
- "Turtle's Rock" - 1833** - 2 bed, 2.5 bath elevated furnished beach home, 1,100 s/f under air, 1,866 s/f under roof, open decks, 0.94 acres, 90' beach. **\$875,000.**
- Beach Home - 1532** - 3 bed, 3.5 bath elevated 2 level semi furnished home on 0.89 acres, 93' sandy beach frontage. Panoramic sea views. **\$799,990.**
- Beach Lot - #1815** - 0.94 Acre beach parcel with 120' of Sea of Abaco sandy beach frontage. Electricity & telephone available, great water views. **\$225,000.**

**NORTH ABACO**

- Blackwood Waterfront Parcel #1521** - 38,514 s/f parcel, 167' of deep water Sea of Abaco frontage and highway frontage. Topography well suited for a marina site. Utilities available. **\$98,500.**
- Boiling Hole Lot 18 - #1827** - Sea of Abaco waterfront lot, 17,472 sq. ft. with 100' hard rock shoreline & magnificent sea views. All utilities available. **\$79,000.**

**GREEN TURTLE CAY**

- Lot "A" - The Bluff #1910** - 15,600 s/f Sea of Abaco waterfront lot, 89' hard rock shoreline, 30' elevations, Near Bluff House, great sea views **\$491,000.**

**GREAT CISTERN CAY**

- #1787 - "Rivendell" - Rustic 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,284 s/f furnished beach cottage on 2 building lots total 41,800 s/f 236' sandy beach frontage & 2 garages. **\$599,000.****

**MARSH HARBOUR**

- Pelican Shores Harbourfront Home - #1563** - 5 bed, 4.5 bath, 5,600 sq. ft. tastefully furnished home with pool & dock. Well maintained, superior quality construction, many extras. 1 acre +/- landscaped, 115' water frontage. **\$3,495,000.**

- "Sea View" - Great Abaco Club #1203** - 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 1,880 s/f furnished sea view home, plus 280 s/f of open deck on 4,918 s/f parcel. Well maintained, gated community, great rental income potential. Includes private deep water dock. **\$699,000.**

- Commercial Bldg. #1792** - 6,000 s/f retail & warehouse bldgs on 20,000 s/f parcel in heart of town. 4 tenants, monthly rental income. **\$499,000.**

- Regattas of Abaco #276** - 1853 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 825 s/f 2nd level "turn key" furnished condo near to beach, shops, marina, etc. **\$184,900.**

**LEISURE LEE**

- #1846 - "Yellowbird" - 2 bed, 2 bath, turn-key furnished elevated canalfront home. 1,900 s/f under roof. 80' lay-along dock, plus boat slip, ramp & lift. OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE **\$645,000.****

- Canalfront Home #1865** - 2 bed, 2 bath furnished home, recently built in 2003. 11,378 s/f parcel, 120' bulk-headed canal frontage, 78' lay-along dock. **\$549,000.**

- Waterfront House (Under Construction) #1374** - 18,600 s/f sea front parcel, 108' deep water frontage, plus 50' long boat slip. 3 bed, 3.5 bath, 2,284 s/f home under construction. Great sea views. **\$489,000.**

**Residential Parcels**

- #1258 - 9,000 s/f building envelope, 160' of deep water layalong docks. New Hi Tide vertical boat lift up to a capacity of 20,000 lbs. Near beach. **\$295,000.**
- #1845 - 11,531 s/f canal lot, 100' canal frontage, boat slip, dock, ramp, 12,000lb boat lift, electrical power & water. Accommodates up to 80' boat. **\$275,000.**
- #602 - Large 15,344 s/f cleared & level lot with 197' of fully seawalled, protected canal frontage. Water installed, other utilities available. **\$269,000.**
- #704 - 10,400 s/f elevated canal lot w/104' deep water canal frontage. Sea views, walk to beach. **\$239,500.**
- #1844 - 2 adjoining deep water, sheltered canal lots, 9,900 s/f each, 50' x 50' shared dredged boat slip, 150' lay-along docks each. Near beach. **EACH REDUCED TO \$195,000.**
- #1080 - 12,100 s/f canal parcel with 110' sea walled canal frontage. Boat davits installed. **Reduced \$197,500.**
- #1593 - 10,590 s/f canal lot with 120' of bulkheaded seawall installed. All utilities available. **\$199,000.**
- #811 - 10,400 s/f sea view corner lot with 194' of road frontage. Walk to beach. All utilities available. **\$99,950.**
- #1902 - Leisure Lee Inland Lot #170** - Sea view parcel with 13,459 s/f - Near Beach **REDUCED TO \$75,000.**
- Ocean View Lot #168 - #1854** - 9,680 s/f lot close to beach. All utilities available. **\$60,000.**

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**Governor**

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glimpse of a history that is still alive.

As he looked forward to rediscovering Abaco during his visit, the Governor General instructed Abaconians to be aware of the totality of their Bahamian heritage and to always remember who and what we are. He concluded by reminding them that Bahamians have a distinct identity among people throughout the world. Although we live on Abaco, all of The Bahamas is our heritage.

"Wherever you go, you are Bahamian," he declared.

From S.C. Bootle High School, he briefly visited with the nursing staff at the Cooper's Town Community Clinic en route to Fox Town Primary School where the teachers and students had prepared an-

other unforgettable ceremony. Sixth grade moderators Cadidra Thomas and Tiko Rolle began the special assembly shortly after the Governor General's arrival.

Sir Arthur could be seen exchanging delightful laughter with his wife as he lightly tapped his feet to the tune of the music that was a part of the students' performances, which showcased many old Bahamian dances as well as the popular ring play.

After the students had completed their presentations, the Governor General mingled with them instead of speaking from the podium. His message was similar to that of the one he had spoken at S.C. Bootle, but there were a few more things he wished to say.

In fact, it was the children that had given him the message, he said. Yet again, he emphasized that we are one people once we are Bahamian. Added to that, he told



The Governor General, His Excellency Sir Arthur Foulkes, posed with the students of Cooper's Town Primary School.

the students that they must stay in school and learn as much as they can while they are there. Education, as he put it, is two-fold because it not only gives knowledge, but it will help them to earn a living. His final advice to the students was to always be grateful.

**Tragedy**

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a passenger of a boat that had capsized trying to exit the North Man-O-War channel.

The 46-foot boat was carrying a total of six and was destined for Haiti, according to Abaco's Superintendent of Police, Noel Curry. Mr. Curry said that the captain of the Grand Bahama-registered boat called Hideout acquired documents from Customs for three persons to go to Haiti on November 4. However, six persons left on the boat Monday morning.

According to Justin Noice, BASRA Hope Town responded to the call, which did not initially indicate which Man-O-War channel the boat capsized in. Clay Wilhoyte and his son Andrew braved the stormy seas and approximately 15-foot waves as they searched the perilous waters between Hope Town and Man-O-War first, then on to the north end of Man-O-War.

Mr. Noice said it was a "really difficult rescue as there was a terrible rage on and the reef system between the cays is very dangerous." He said that Ralph, a boater from Man-O-War, happened upon the body of the 50-year-old boat owner who perished in the ordeal.

As the BASRA boat worked its way along reef to rescue the other passengers, a call was made requesting a US Coast Guard helicopter to assist with the rescue. With some assistance four men were rescued from the sea; however, a fifth man that was spotted clinging to some wood disappeared from sight before he could be reached. He was not rescued.

The BASRA boat, an inflatable, hard-bottom speed boat with a center console, and the rescuers took a beating, Mr. Noice said. The center console broke off its base and Clay and Andrew were feeling physically bruised the day after.

The Bahamas Defense Force boat was called in to pick up the rescued passengers and the body to shore. The survivors were carried to the Marsh Harbour Government Clinic where friends and family members

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# An explanation of a rage

By Dave Gale

"There's a Rage on." This is an Abaco expression used to describe dangerously rough reef and channel conditions which can occur during fair weather with or without wind.

A Rage is caused by a combination of large ocean swells and Abaco's unusual geographic layout with its sound, barrier reef and channels. Ground swells generated by distant storms crash and flow over and around Abaco's barrier reef and cays, building the water level of the Abaco Sound (aka Sea of Abaco) higher than the ocean itself. Those unequal water levels soon become unstable and the waters of the Sound rush back out toward the swells which, of course, are still trying to come in. This causes unusually large waves. After the two levels become roughly equal, there may be a brief relative calm, but the cycle will repeat. A passable channel report by a helpful observer may be valid for only an hour or so.

The factors affecting the intensity or frequency of the cycle are

- The state of the tide -- the ebb, the flow, or the slack.
  - The phase of the moon -- the spring or the neap tides.
  - The wave-set patterns.
  - A rogue wave or an extra big one.
- Certain combinations of these factors

can cause exceptionally large and dangerous waves in the channels or deceptive, all-too-short relatively calm periods.

The worst combination of factors might be at the beginning of the tide's ebb; at the start of a rushing-out period; during a spring tide; or just as a particularly large set of swells is coming in. That's when there may be a really big wave.

Some channels on Abaco develop Rage conditions more readily than others, but sometimes all channels are unusable. It depends on the direction of the ground swells. Whale Cay Passage enjoys the most deadly reputation.

If there is a Rage on, it is inadvisable to attempt any channel either to or from the ocean, especially the Whale Cay Passage. The reefs would also be untenable for diving, snorkeling and fishing and should be avoided until the Rage has subsided.

A Rage can last from two to five days. Precautions -- Ask for local advice from boats in the area, marinas or BASRA stations. Observe the channel for 15 minutes to better judge the wave action. But remember that with the change of the tide or any of the factors listed above, the conditions could become worse (or deceptively better in the short-term) than anyone's advice had indicated. Only you can be the judge of your boat's seaworthiness and you and your crew's ability. A good passage

report may be valid for only an hour or so. In the immortal, but unofficial, VHF announcement by one of our BASRA volunteers,

"This here's a message to all boats. This is BASRA. Any boat thinking about going through Whale Cay today -- DON'T!

Now, if ye get lost, we ain't sendin' no boat for ye." Amen.

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waited anxiously to find out what happened.

Sub-Lieutenant Origin Deleveaux of the Defense Force said, "They did not pay attention to the weather advisory because small craft operators had been advised to remain in port."

Sub Lt Deleveaux said that of the four men rescued, one man, the captain, claimed to be Bahamian and the others were Haitians. He said all their documents were washed out to sea. Police and Immigration will now have to verify their status.

The U.S. Coast Guard helicopter left just after noon. Local volunteers continued an additional search to no avail. Persons on several cays are still on the look out to find the final passenger, but the prevailing weather conditions make it an impossible task at this time.

## Another washed out to sea

In an unrelated incident, a visitor from

Georgia was reportedly washed out to sea while taking pictures from a cliff at Winding Bay.

Police were called just after 6 p.m. on November 7 and alerted BASRA Hope Town of the man at sea; however, due to damage sustained by the rescue boat and the distance from Hope Town, they could not respond. The area outside Winding Bay and Little Harbour is perilous even in fair weather.

BASRA co-ordinated with the US Coast Guard once again, and the helicopter arrived to scan the area with an aircraft to monitor the helicopter's status and ensure its safety due to the weather and area being searched.

In the meantime, Dennis Lightbourn, an employee of the Abaco Club, tried to locate and rescue the visitor. He was on the top of the 40-foot high cliff when a wave knocked him over. He was then hit by a second wave before he could get back to a safe locations. He sustained a broken ankle, broken elbow and many abrasions and bruises.

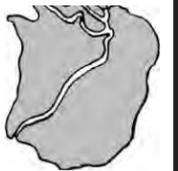
The Coast Guard called off its search and the aircraft and helicopter returned to base around 12:30 a.m. on November 8.

The area on the cliff that the visitor went to take pictures was fenced off with the warning that the area was dangerous. According to reports he climbed the fence to get pictures of the large waves.

The search continues; however, neither missing person has been found.



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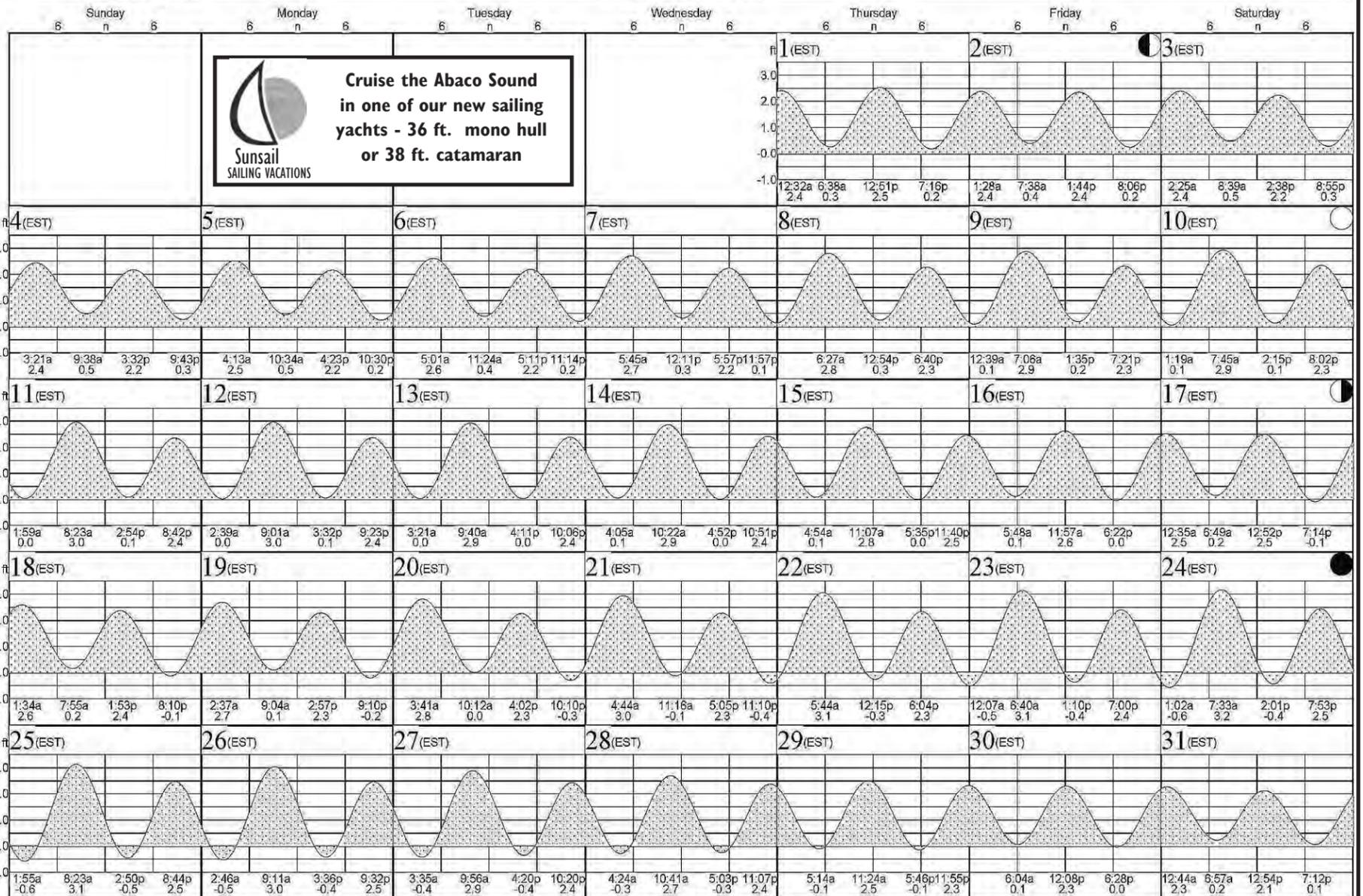


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**Central Abaco Dist. Council** October 31

By Timothy Roberts

During the monthly meeting of the Central Abaco District Council, three submitted tenders for the maintenance of the Central Abaco Landfill were reviewed and a contract was awarded to Island Design Builders.

Tenders were received from C & B Builders in Crossing Rocks for \$480,000 per annum, Tough Rock in Sandy Point for \$384,000 per annum and from Island Design Builders in Marsh Harbour for \$444,000 per annum.

As the tenders were reviewed, a motion was passed to limit the awarding of the contract to one year only, not three years, as some tenders requested a longer term.

One Council member abstained from the final vote on the awarding of the contract citing the significant flaws in the present

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landfill system that prevent it from being operated as a landfill. Another Council member abstained from the vote as well.

One member who had been absent from the previous meeting in which a recommendation for a stone crab harvesting operation was passed made a motion that the Council add a stipulation to their recommendation that no stone crabs can be harvested out of season. The motion was passed.

Mrs. Key requested that a letter be written from the Council to roadside mechanics that have been granted land along S.C. Bootle Highway that they remove all vehicles within 40 feet of the side of the road, which is stipulated in their leases. They will be given two weeks to comply. If they do not, the vehicles will be removed. The Council agreed to write the letters.

After reviewing several issues concerning workers contracted by local government, Chief Councillor George Cornish wants to set up a meeting with all of the workers to let them know exactly what is expected of them and to let them know the

labor laws that govern them.

Administrator Cephias Cooper informed the Council that due to a small grant from the government, part of the Small Home Repairs Program, a construction crew will be making minor repairs to several homes of the elderly and less fortunate of the community.

**Town Planning Board** Nov 3

By Timothy Roberts

The Central Abaco District Town Planning Board met on November 3 reviewing four plans for residences, storage sheds and a fence, altogether worth an estimated \$275,000 and discussed town planning matters.

Deputy Chairman Ellis Stuart noted that a triplex across from the Ambassador Inn recently opened a liquor store in one of the apartments. The Board unanimously agreed that this was clearly undesirable and will seek advice on what can be done about it.

Administrator Cephias Cooper said that the first step that the Board could take is to write a letter to the Business License office in Nassau to voice their concerns on what has taken place.

**South**

From Page 7

the only one left out of that crowd now. He is 88 years old and the oldest senior in our settlement. He still has interesting stories to tell and you can find him sitting on his porch most any day the weather allows.

It was a lovely day for a funeral and a beautiful ceremony with all her family there. Although the officiating minister did not actually know Ms. Doris, he admitted after listening to several testimonies from family members and friends and seeing the large congregation of well wishers that he felt confident in attesting to her goodness and gave an encouraging message about the legacy she left behind to Love One Another. She lived in a simple wooden house all her life, married and raised nine children, 19 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren, all of whom loved her dearly.

What more can one ask for in this life than to be content in our place and be surrounded by the ones we love.

**Correction**

The picture we put in the October 15 issue was of Lola Pinder with Rev. Neilly, not Doris Lowe.



One unit of a triplex in Marsh Harbour across from the Ambassador Inn has been turned into a liquor store. This is a concern of the Town Planning Board that will report this to the Business License office in Nassau.

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**Humblestone** *From Page 8*

As I write this, my mind goes back to living in Nassau, breaking down by the side of the road and a busy, prominent lawyer changing my tire on West Bay Street, his silk tie dangling close to the hood of my broken down car. The Bahamas breeds gentlemen who assist women not because they believe them to be incompetent but because Old School manners and chivalry are ingrained in them.

There is nothing worse than having a revolving door smash into your face as a lout with no social graces pushes past to get to the interior of a building first. If the "gentleman" was accompanying me, I would do one more revolution and exit.

Ask a woman if she appreciates a car door being opened or a seat pulled out, and she will probably reply in the affirmative. However, a woman who mocks the extended hand and moves around the table to a vacant seat is ungracious.

However, these are not concerns which will probably ever beset our surfer's wife whom I saw days later sitting around the pool with an infant bobbing on her knee and both eyes keenly trained on two small children playing in the water.

Mr. happy-go-lucky surfer stayed for about a week at the Lodge; he had himself a wonderful tan lazing in the sun and caught many a wave by the Abaco Inn on his retrieved surf board. Meanwhile, the little lady took up the slack as she probably does all year.

They left in much the same way as they arrived.

I have not seen them since. I wonder if she still has the excess baggage - or if she has moved him out!

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# Schooner Bay makes appeal to businessmen

By Timothy Roberts

As Schooner Bay continues the development of a new harbour-side settlement, it is reaching out to the local business community to invest in the future of this town by opening a business there.

Speaking to a group of over 20 Abaco businessmen and women, Director of Marketing and Public Relations, James Malcolm, called on their pioneering spirit to build in this development that is forging a new road as a traditional yet sustainable new community. "We are pioneers and we are growing something new here on Abaco, and we want you to be a part of its success."

Mr. Malcolm said that in the initial phase they are seeking a limited group of businesses that they believe can be successful in the early years of the development

and are making these available for the business community to bid on.

They are seeking services such as property management, transportation, waste management and boat hauling and storage. They are taking bids on electric cart sales, automotive and marine fuel stations, grocery stores, hardware and housewares, marine supplies and coffee and bakery shops.

Mr. Malcolm indicated that sales in the first phase area, located around the harbour and the island, are going well with about 50 of the 140 available lots sold. They expect by the summer of 2012 to have about 25 homes completed. They project that there will be about 25 new homes built each year with the goal to reach about 100 homes in four years.

"While Schooner Bay is small and growing, there is already a regional market

available nearby with Crossing Rocks and Sandy Point south of the development and Bahama Palm Shores and Casuarina Point to the north," he said.

Mr. Malcolm said that Schooner Bay is not interested in managing businesses; they want business people to take the opportunities. "We will do what we can in the early stages to assist and make sure your business is successful," he said.

The bidding process will be open to all and fair. "We will look at every bid fairly, review them on their own merits and will choose based on what we feel fits the town the best." Local business persons have been given the priority in bidding on the business opportunities offered. After they see the local bids from Abaco, they will then advertise the opportunities in Nassau.

He indicated that they are flexible,

knowing that the community is presently small. They will possibly pair up businesses like a coffee shop with a bakery/deli together or a harbour fuel station with sundries and marine supplies. "We will work together with the businesses to ensure they are able to succeed."

"We need your help to move this community forward. In five years this will be the place to be," Mr. Malcolm said.



James Malcolm, right, Director of Marketing for the Lindroth Development Company, spoke to the people who had shown an interest in opening a business in Schooner Bay. He explained the great opportunity to be part of the unique development. He assured them that the company would work with them to make sure they were successful.

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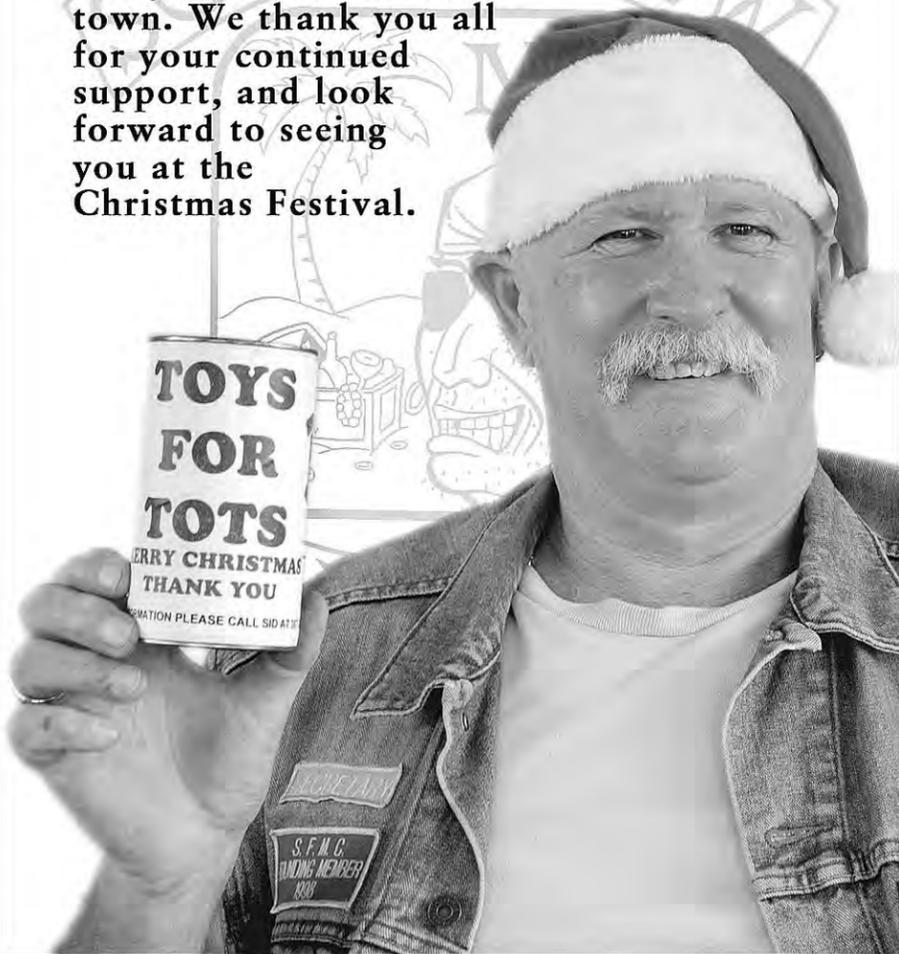
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Air Gate Aviation - Daytona/New Smyrna	367-3636
American Eagle - Miami	367-2231
Bahamasair - Nassau, W. Palm B, Ft Laud	367-2095
Continental Connection - Miami	
Ft. Laud and W Palm Beach	367-3415
Craig Air Center - North Florida	367-3522
IBC Airways - Ft.Lauderdale, W Palm Beach	367-1336
Locair - Fort Lauderdale	1-800-205-0730
Regional - Freeport	367-0446
Sky Bahamas - Nassau/Ft. Lauderdale	367-0996
Twin Air Calypso - Fort Lauderdale	367-0140
Western Air - Nassau	367-3722
Yellow Air Taxi - Ft Lauderdale	367-0032
Local air charters serving Bahamas & S.Florida	
Abaco Air	367-2266
Cherokee Air Charters	367-3450

Dive Shops	
Abaco Dive Adventures, Marsh Harbour	367-2963
Above & Below, Marsh Harbour	367-0350
Dive Abaco 1978, Marsh Harbour	367-2787
Froggies, Hope Town	366-0431
Treasure Divers, Treasure Cay	365-8571
Brendal's Dive, Green T. Cay	365-4411
Dive Guana	365-5178
Man-O-War Dive Shop	365-6013

Taxi Cab Fares one or two passengers	
Extra \$3 for each passengers above two	
• Marsh Harbour Airport to: Effective Dec 08	
Clinic, Downtown, Stop Light	\$10
Ab Bch Resort, Eastern Shore close, Ferry	\$15
Spring City	\$15
Dundas Town, Nat Ins bldg, C Abaco Primary Sch	\$15
Murphy Town & Great. Cistern	\$20
Snake Cay	\$35
Casuarina Point	\$60
Cherokee, Winding Bay, Little Harbour	\$80
Bahama Palm Shore	\$90
Crossing Rocks	\$105
Sandy Point	\$150
Leisure Lee	\$50
Treasure Cay Airport, G Turtle ferry	\$80
Treasure Cay Resort	\$85
Fox Town	\$165
• Between Marsh Harbour Ferry and:	
Clinic, downtown, Ab Beach Hotel	\$ 10
Nat. Ins. Bldg, Murphy Town, Gr. Cistern	\$10
Wait time \$0.40 per minute, Hourly rate \$40 per hour Children under three - free • Caged pets - as people Luggage \$0.75 each over two, large bags \$1 ea.	
• Treasure Cay Airport to: Effective Dec 08	
Green Turtle Cay ferry dock	\$10
Madeira Park	\$20
Sand Banks	\$25
Treasure Cay Resort	\$30
Leisure Lee	\$45
Black Wood	\$20
Fire Road & Cooper's Town	\$40
Cedar Harbour	\$60
Wood Cay	\$70
Mount Hope	\$80
Fox Town	\$85
Crown Haven	\$90
Marsh Harbour airport	\$80
Green Turtle Ferry to Marsh H Airport	\$80
T Cay Hotel to Marsh Harbour	\$85
T Cay Hotel to G Turtle Ferry	\$25
T Cay Hotel to Blue Hole	\$30

## Ferry Schedules • Departure times shown • Daily service unless noted

Marsh Harbour to Hope Town or Man-O-War - 20 minutes, Guana Cay - 30 minutes

Albury's Ferry Service • Ph 367-3147 or 367-0290 • VHF Ch. 16 • Hope Town & Man-O-War from Crossing Bch	
<b>Marsh Harbour&gt;Hope Town</b>	7:15am 9:00am 10:30am 12:15pm 2:00pm 4:00pm 5:45pm
Return:	8:00 am 9:45am 11:30am 1:30pm 3:00pm 4:00pm 5:00pm 6:30pm
<b>Marsh Harbour&gt;Man-O-War</b>	10:30am 12:15pm* 2:30pm 4:00pm 5:45pm
Return:	8:00am 11:30am 1:30pm* 3:15pm 5:00pm
<b>Marsh H.&gt;Guana Cay/Scotland cay</b> From Conch Inn	(6:45am - Union Jack Dock) 10:30am 1:30pm 3:30pm 5:45pm
Return:	8 am 11:30am 2:30pm 4:45pm 6:30pm
Fare • Adult prepaid one way \$17 / open return \$27, • Kids 6-11 half, Under 6 free (Phone after hours 359-6861)	
<b>Note:</b> During the month of August through December there are some adjustments made to the schedule. You are advised to contact the office for the changes.	
Green Turtle Ferry • Phone 365-4166, 4128, 4151 • VHF Ch 16 • Ten minute ride	
<b>T Cay Airport&gt;Green T Cay</b>	8:30am 10:30am 11:30am 1:30pm 2:30pm 3:30pm 4:30pm 5:00pm
Return:	8am 9am 11am 12:15pm 1:30pm 3:00pm 4:30pm
New Plymouth one way adult \$10 (Children \$7) • Round trip \$15 • Extra to some G T Cay docks	

**Abaco Adventures** • Ph 365-8749 or 375-8123 VHF Ch 16 Charters Available  
**Treasure Cay to Guana Cay** Sunday departs 11:00am & returns 3:30 p.m. \$40 RT  
**T Cay to Man-O-War/ Hope Town** - Saturday departs 9:30 am, \$45 RT

**Pinder's Ferry Service** Between Abaco & Grand Bahama -  
**Crown Haven, Abaco to McLean's Town, Grand Bah.** -Daily 7:00 am & 2:30 pm  
**McLean's Town to Crown Haven - return** Daily 8:30 am & 4:30 pm  
Fare \$45 OW / \$90 RT • Children half fare • Call Abaco 365-2356 for information  
Bus between Freeport and McLean's Town • Rental automobiles at both terminals.

**Bahamas Ferries** Summer Schedule only (April to Dec)  
Sandy Point & Nassau Every Friday & Sunday, except holidays, under 4 Hour Call 225-3376 or 366-4119  
Adults \$110 RT, \$60 OW • Child under 12, \$75 RT, \$40 OW.....Call for car & truck rate

**The Great Abaco Express** Eco & Historical bus tours • Call 367-2165 or 559-9160

## Attractions

Albert Lowe Museum	Green Turtle Cay
Capt Roland Roberts House, reef exhibits	Green Turtle Cay
Memorial Sculpture Garden	Green Turtle Cay
Wyannne Malone Historical Museum	Hope Town
Elbow Cay Light Station	Hope Town
Walk to & swim on Mermaid Reef off M Harb. ..Pelican Shore	
Drive to & swim in Blue Hole	Treasure Cay farm road
Art studio & working foundry-	Little Harbour
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	
Miles of beach are generally on ocean exposures	
• Treasure Cay • Green Turtle Cay • Guana Cay • Elbow Cay	
• Man-O-War Cay • Casuarina Point • Bahama Palm Shore	
• Sandy Point & more	
Items of interest • Man-O-War boat yards • Blackwood blue hole & sisal mill • Cedar Harbour plantation ruins - need guide • Hole-in- Wall lighthouse - last mile very rough road • Abaco wild horses by appointment 367-4805 • Bird watching - ask tourism 367-3067	

## Tours & Excursions

Abaco Eco Tours & Kayak rental	475-9616
Abaco Island Tours • Marsh Harbour	367-2936
Abaco's Nature Adventure	559-9433
Above & Below • Marsh Harbour	367-0350
Adventure on Prozac - T Cay	365-8749
Brendals Dive • Green Turtle Cay	365-4411
C & C Charters - Treasure Cay	365-8506
Dive Abaco 1978, Marsh Harbour	367-2787
Excursion boat • Froggies • Hope T	366-0024

## Abaco Marinas - Slips Fuel Phone

Green Turtle Cay	
Bluff House	45..... F..... 365-4200
Green Turtle Club	32..... F..... 365-4271
Black Sound Marina	15..... 365-4531
Other Shore Club	12..... F..... 365-4195
Abaco Yacht Service	10..... F..... 365-4033
Treasure Cay	
Treasure Cay Marina	150 ..... F..... 365-8250
Man-O-War	
Man-O-War Marina	26..... F..... 365-6008
Marsh Harbour	
Boat Harbour Marina	183..... F..... 367-2158
Conch Inn	75..... F..... 367-4000
Harbour View Marina	36..... F..... 367-2182
Mangoes Marina	29..... 367-4255
Marsh Harbour Marina	52 F 367 2700
Hope Town	
Hope Town Marina	16..... 366-0003
Hope Town Hideaways	366-0224
Lighthouse Marina	6..... F..... 366-0154
Sea Spray	60..... F..... 366-0065
Spanish Cay	
Spanish Cay Marina	75..... F..... 365-0083
Guana Cay	
Bakers Bay Marina	158..... F..... 365-5802
Guana Hide-aways	37..... 577-0003
Orchid Bay	64 ..... F..... 365-5175
Boats can clear Customs at Green Turtle Cay, Treasure Cay or Marsh Harbour	

## Charter Boats

Lucky Strike - Hope T	366-0101
Sea Gull - Hope Town	366-0266
A Salt Weapon - Hope Town	366-0245
Down Deep	366-3143
Local Boy	366-0528
Back Breaker	365-5140

## Bikes & Scooters • Boats • Cars & Cart Rentals

Marsh Harbour	
A & P Car Rentals	367-2655
Abaco Dorado Boat Rentals	367-1035
B & B Boat Rentals	367-7368
Bargain Car Rentals	367-0500
Blue Wave Boat Rentals	367-3910
Concept Boat Rentals	367-5570
Cruise Abaco	577-0148
Quality Star Car Rentals (Texaco)	367-2979
Rainbow Boat Rentals	367-4602
Rental Wheels Scooters, Bikes, Cars	367-4643
Rich's Boat Rentals	367-2742
Sea Horse Boat Rentals	367-2513
Sea Star Car Rentals	367-4887
The Moorings Boat Rentals	367-4000
Green Turtle Cay	
Brendals Dive Bikes & Kayak rental	365-4411
C & D Cart Rental	365-4084
Cruising Cart Rentals	365-4065
D & P Cart Rental	365-4655
Donnie's Boat Rentals	365-4119
Kool Karts	365-4176
Reef Boat Rentals	365-4145
Sea Side Carts & Bikes	365-4147
T & A Cart Rentals	375-8055
Guana Cay	
Donna Sands Cart Rentals	365-5195
Dive Guana Boats & Bikes	365-5178
Orchid Bay Cart rentals	354-5175
Lubbers Quarters	
Cruise Abaco	321-220-8796
Man-O-War	
Conch Pearl Boat Rentals	365-6502
Ria-Mar Golf Cart Rentals	365-6024
Waterways Boat Rental	357-6540 & 365-6143
Hope Town	
Cat's Paw Boat Rentals	366-0380
Elbow Cay Cart	366-0530
Hope Town Cart Rentals	366-0064
Island Cart Rentals	366-0448
Island Marine Boat Rentals	366-0282
J R's Cart Rental	366-0361
Sea Horse Boat Rentals	366-0023
T & N Cart Rentals	366-0069
Treasure Cay	
Adventure on Prozac - Kayak	365-8749
Blue Marlin Rentals	365-8687
Cash's Carts	365-8771
Cornish Car Rentals	365-8623
JIC Boat Rentals	365-8582
Triple J Car Rentals	365-8761
Abaco Adventures - Kayaks	365-8749



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## Restaurant Guide

Prices \$ Low, \$\$ Moderate, \$\$\$ Upper (Based on dinner entree range)  
+ Picnic tables & restroom only ‡ Provides ride from town

### Marsh Harbour

Abaco Pizza	\$..... 367-4488
Anglers	\$\$\$..... 367-2158
Blue Marlin	\$..... 367-2002
Curly Tails	\$\$\$..... 367-4444
Gino's	\$..... 367-7272
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Mangoes	\$\$\$..... 367-2366
Pop's Place	\$..... +..... 367-3796
Snack Shack	\$..... +..... 367-4005
Snappas	\$\$..... 367-2278
Wallys	\$\$\$..... 367-2074

### Hope Town

Abaco Inn	\$\$\$..... 366-0133
Cap'n Jacks	\$\$..... 366-0247
Harbour's Edge	\$\$..... 366-0087
H T Coffee House (B & L)	..... 366-0760
H T Harbour Lodge	\$\$\$..... 366-0095
Munchies	\$..... 366-0423
OnDa Beach	\$\$..... 366-0558
Sea Spray	\$\$..... †..... 366-0065
Sugar Shack	\$..... +..... 366-0788

### Little Harbour

Pete's Pub. [Closed Aug 14 to End of Nov]. 366-3503

### Lubber's Quarter

Cracker P's..... 366-3139

### Man-O-War

Dock'n Dine..... 365-6139  
Island Treats Snack Bar..... 365-6501

### Guana Cay

Baker's Bay - Market Place..... 612-1021  
Grabbers..... \$\$..... 365-5133  
Nippers..... \$\$..... 365-5143  
Orchid Bay..... \$\$\$..... 365-5175

### Treasure Cay

Coco Beach Bar & Grill..... \$..... 365-8470  
Florence's Cafe..... \$..... 365-8354  
Spinnaker Restaurant..... \$\$\$..... 365-8469  
Touch of Class..... \$\$\$..... 365-8195

### Green Turtle Cay

Bluff House..... \$\$\$..... 365-4200  
Jolly Roger Bistro..... \$\$..... 365-4200  
Green Turtle Club..... \$\$\$..... 365-4271  
Harvey's Island Grill..... \$\$..... 365-4389  
Laura's Kitchen..... \$\$..... 365-4287  
McIntosh's Restaurant..... \$\$..... 365-4625  
Miss Emily's Restaurant..... 365-4181  
New Plymouth Inn..... 365-4161  
Pineapple Restaurant Bar & Grill..... 365-4039  
Plymouth Rock Cafe..... 365-4234  
Sundowners..... 365-4060

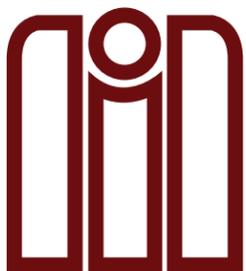
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# The Abaconian

## SECTION B



VOLUME 19 NUMBER 22 NOVEMBER 15th, 2011

## Rains causes extensive flooding in Central Abaco

### The center of Marsh Harbour drains quickly after rains stopped



This is Don MacKay Boulevard in central Marsh Harbour where traffic was slowed way down. Many did not venture out for fear their cars would stall. The heavy rains came at high tide that exaggerated the problem. However, the roads drained quickly when the rains stopped. Don MacKay Boulevard has a large storm drain that is very effective. Public and private schools were dismissed mid-morning so children could get home safely. One Marsh Harbour resident recorded about 10 inches of rain.

By Timothy Roberts

Torrential rains brought considerable flooding and attempted to dampen the mood of little children looking for Halloween goodies on October 31; however, the weather broke long enough to let trick or treaters make their rounds.

The rain was caused by the meeting of a tropical wave, located in the Western Caribbean, with a high pressure system that pushed slowly into the Northern Bahamas. The mixture of cool and warm air brought Abaco its largest dose of rain for the year and bringing more flooding than Hurricane Irene.

By mid-morning all schools in the Central Abaco area were closed, partially due to the rain as well as a lack of electricity and water. It is unknown if the power and water outage was related to the weather.

Areas of Queen Elizabeth Drive and Don MacKay Boulevard, as well as a number of side roads in Marsh Harbour became nearly impassable and several cars stalled in the flooded streets. Houses became inac-

Please see **Flooding**

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## Rage waves force Legacy on rocks

Soon after sunset on November 9 The Legacy, Abaco's weekly mailboat, was broadsided by a wave as it was coming in North Bar Channel. Information is sketchy but we understand the wave forced the boat onto the rocks at the northern end of Lynyard Cay. The stranded boat had 18 aboard, nine crew and nine passengers.

Several boats from Hope Town responded to the distress call, all with BASRA volunteer members. Coast Guard sent a helicopter and other aircraft to the scene to

rescue the people aboard. They were all safely evacuated and taken to Marsh Harbour. A few had minor injuries.

The rage seas were treacherous that night with Tropical Storm Shawn stationary just to the northeast of Abaco. The seas had been running 15 to 17 feet offshore.

We received this information just hours before sending the paper to the printer. The December 1st issue will have more details and hopefully pictures.

## Don't miss these events

### Abaco Cancer Society Art Show

November 19 • 10 am - 6 pm • Mangoes Restaurant

### Zion Baptist Churches Convention

November 19 • Faith Walk Church, Cooper's Town

### Hope Town Lodge Art Show

November 26 • Hope Town Lodge • 11 - 5

### Da Market • Bahamas National Trust

November 26 • Trust office, Marsh Harbour • 9 am - 1 pm

### Box Cart Derby

November 26 • Races start at noon • Big Hill, Elbow Cay

## S.C. Bootle High School now has JA company



On November 3 the much-anticipated launch of the Junior Achievers program took place at S.C. Bootle High School where 25 students were awaiting the arrival of the JA officials. Many years ago this school had a very active JA program. These students are now eager to open their business and get started.

By Canishka Alexander

As the first week of November rolled in so did the orientation sessions for several Junior Achievement companies. The theme for the 2011-2012 year is *Passionately Pursuing Purpose*.

The members of the Junior Achievers of S.C. Bootle High School held their first meeting with Chervon Morley, program manager for Abaco, explaining the program. She discussed leadership quali-

ties, the financial aspects of the company, the role of advisors, production and marketing, competitions and the JA point system.

Chavonne Reid, executive advisor at the school, said they are excited about the program, and they are ready for the challenge ahead.

Please see **School**

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## Trick or Treaters are out in good numbers on Halloween



It was October 31 when Abaco was deluged with huge amounts of rain about 10 inches in Central Abaco. It looked doubtful that the Trick or Treaters would be able to make their rounds. But the rains stopped, the roads cleared enough of the water so people and traffic could move around. This is a group in Marsh Harbour.

## Remember - register to vote

# Torrential rains bring flooding

## Flooding

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cessible for some time in areas of Dundas Town and Murphy Town as lower areas off Forest Drive were inundated with rain water.

The rainstorm lasted throughout the night and into Tuesday, November 1, leaving behind drainage issues that need addressing. The water settling in streets and yards off Forest Drive remained there for several days after the weather had passed, highlighting a need for better or proper drainage in the area.

Also showing the need to be addressed is the drainage at the Marsh Harbour International Airport. Water flooded the road to and from the terminal building, leaving

drivers to play a guessing game as to where the potholes were. The parking apron at the terminal building was also considerably flooded and some passengers had to be carried to their airplanes on baggage carts to avoid walking in the water.

Marsh Harbour Volunteer Fire and Rescue, that assists the Ministry of Works in keeping the drainage systems cleared, was only able to clear one of the airports drains, while the other proved to be too clogged up to blow out with high pressure water. A new drain was put in by November 4 and brought some relief.

The Marsh Harbour drainage system in town otherwise fared well with the majority of standing water drained away within 24 hours of the storm system.



Murphy Town and Dundas Town have low lying areas, particularly along Forest Drive, that were badly affected by the rains of October 31. These areas did not drain as quickly as the roads.



Queen Elizabeth Drive by Memorial Plaza was one large lake. Farther on that road near the corner of Pelican Shores Drive the water was too deep for cars to cope with. Traffic had to go around that intersection by going through Little Orchard to avoid the water.



This is Queen Elizabeth Drive in Central Marsh Harbour. During the morning of October 31 cars stalled because of the deep water. Another danger were all the potholes that could not be seen. In some areas it was hard to tell exactly where the road was.

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<b>Eastern Shores</b>	<b>Eastern Shores</b>	<b>Pelican Shores</b>	<b>Guana Cay</b>	<b>FEATURED LISTING</b>
 <p><b>Sur La Mer - 2B/2B.</b> Strong rental history. 130' waterfront. #2007 - US\$740,000</p>	 <p><b>Even Tide / Low Tide - 3B/3B</b> high end turn key, waterfront. #1374 - US\$1,199,000</p>	 <p><b>Alcatraz - 3B/2.5B,</b> 117' Harbourfront, 16,862 sq. ft. lot. #2005 - \$655,000</p>	 <p><b>Dolphin Bch Est. - 3B/3B</b> 130' protected waterfront 1.165acre lot. #12387 - \$1,185,000</p>	 <p><b>NEW</b> 190 yr. old New Plymouth Inn, Green Turtle Cay. Boasting 11 beds and 11 baths over 2,800 sq. ft. Plus a restaurant seating forty five opens to a large entertainment deck with a pool. Over 20,000 sq. ft. of verandahs, patios, gazebos and terraced garden areas complete this property. #2008 - \$1,200,000</p>
<b>Sweetings Village</b>	<b>Eastern Shores</b>	<b>Great Abaco Club</b>	<b>Casuarina Point</b>	<b>Lots &amp; Acreage</b>
 <p><b>Cozy Cottage - 2B/1B + 24'X10'</b> Bahamaroom. 10,900 sq. ft.+ lot. #2006 - \$205,000</p>	 <p><b>On The Rocks - New 2B/2B,</b> 1000 sq. ft. waterfront cottage. #13808 - \$599,000</p>	 <p><b>REDUCED</b> <b>Mer-Sea - 50' secure canalfront</b> dockage, seaview, 5,000 sq.ft. lot #2000 - \$599,000</p>	 <p><b>Brand New!! - 2B/2.5B Main +</b> 1B/2B guest, 100' beachfront. #2004 - \$795,000</p>	<p><b>THE CAYS</b> ***PRE DEVELOPMENT*** Ocean Reef Preserve Guana Cay #13807 Large Interior Lots \$49,900 Ocean View \$49K+ Oceanfront \$139K+ Guana Cay #1062 10,432 sq. ft. lot, boat harbour area. \$75,000 Guana Cay #13017 103ft. oceanfront, 20,200 sq.ft. lot. \$239,000 Guana Cay #1288 Lot 97 30,606 sq. ft. 155' waterfront. \$579,000 ***REDUCED*** Lubbers Quarters Abaco Ocean Club Lots #1066 Lot#39 Corner Lot 10,200 sq. ft. \$22,000 #10066 Lot#40 Corner Lot 9,700 sq. ft. \$24,000 Tilloo Cay #13500 2.7 acres sea to sea, private dockage. \$569,000</p> <p><b>MARSH HARBOUR</b> Marsh Harbour #13903 2.05 acres adjacent Maxwell. \$245,000 Pelican Shores #1127 163' Harbour front 90' dock 26,200 sq. ft. lot. \$700,000 Royal Harbour #1005 Lot #26 off of front street 14583 sq. ft. lot. \$175,000 Stede Bonnet Road #13901 Residential Lot 8,125 sq. ft. \$78,000 Sunrise Bay #1066 Lot 12 13,226 sq. ft. Gated Community. \$238,000</p> <p><b>SOUTH ABACO</b> Casuarina Point #1777 Lots 90 &amp; 91 10,000 sq. ft. each. \$44,500 Long Beach #1224 Lot 31 12,600 sq. ft. elevated views. \$99,990 Long Beach #14557 Lot 24717,600 sq. ft. elevated views. \$39,900 ***SOLD*** Long Beach #1079 Lot 412 beach access. \$69,900 Rolling Hbr #1052 5.6 acres w/ 330' beach 1.2M or 1.88 acres w/ 110'. \$525K</p> <p><b>NORTH ABACO</b> Joes Creek #1100 Lot #12 Utilities near, 18,000 sq. ft. lot. \$35,000 Leisure Lee #1002 Lots 27, 28 29 &amp; 30 "Open to Offers". \$43,900 each Treasure Cay #13018 Lot 8 Block 190 "Open to Offers". \$68,000 Treasure Cay #13019 Lot 9 Block 190 Interior Lot, canal views. \$79,000 Treasure Cay #13020 Commercial lot adjacent to school 9.4 acres \$229K Treasure Cay Lots 8 &amp; 9 "as shown above". \$130,000 buys both. Treasure Cay #14798 Lot 78 Block 1 Section 1. 10,000 sq. ft. \$59,900 Turtle Rocks #2001 Hilltop lot with water views 16,969 sq. ft. \$69,900</p>
<b>Guana Cay</b>	<b>Guana Cay</b>	<b>Tilloo Cay</b>	<b>Eastern Shores</b>	<b>Leases / Rentals</b>
 <p><b>REDUCED</b> <b>Two story fixer upper. - 70ft.</b> beachfront, 16,500 sq.ft. lot. #1288 - \$289,000</p>	 <p><b>Orchid Bay - Cottage Lot #4,</b> 80' +/- Sea of Abaco waterfront. #13710 - \$275,000</p>	 <p><b>Tilloo Cay - #47,48 &amp; 49.</b> 11,000 + sq. ft. lots. 100' from the beach. #13709 - \$99,000 each.</p>	 <p><b>Exclusive - 90' protected deep</b> waterfront. 6,285 sq. ft. lot. #13809 - Call for price.</p>	<p>3 Bed/2 Bath - Bahama Palm Shores, beachfront - \$1,200/month 3 Bed/2 Bath - High Rocks, waterfront, fenced yard. - \$3,000/month 3 Bed/2 Bath + Bonus Rm - Pelican Shores, dockage. - \$2,300/month 2 Bed/2.5 Bath - Casuarina, brand new, 150' beachfront - \$2,500/month 2 Bed/1 Bath - Sweetings Village, private home, fenced yd. - \$1,100/mo See our website for a list of vacation rentals &amp; lease opportunities.</p>
<b>Guana Cay</b>	<b>Guana Cay</b>	<b>Marsh Harbour</b>	<b>Gilpin Point</b>	
 <p><b>REDUCED</b> <b>92A &amp; 93B - Elevated residential</b> lots, 3/4+ acres, 200' from water. #1150 - \$99,000</p>	 <p><b>REDUCED</b> <b>Fishers Bay - Lots 28 &amp; 28B,</b> 94 ft. waterfront 23,873 sq.ft. lot. #1102 - \$309,900</p>	 <p><b>Below appraised value. - 2B/2B.</b> 2004 Renovations, fenced yard. #13711 - \$250,000</p>	 <p><b>OWNER FINANCING</b> <b>Just south of Crossing Rocks -</b> Various lots and views offered. Interior \$40K Beach \$225K</p>	

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cillor for North Abaco has gotten at least four bids to repair the damage, and these have been forwarded to the Ministry of Education for further action," Mr. Moss explained. "To compound the problem, when it rains, water is retained and channeled into certain classrooms due to the newly installed sidewalks, preventing the water from draining off. Even during light rains, the janitorial staff has a tough time mopping up and getting rooms ready for classes."

He said that they are currently awaiting a response from either local government, the Ministry of Education or the Ministry of Works to get the repairs done. It has been estimated that repairs could cost anywhere from \$15,000 to \$25,000.

However, on a positive note, Mr. Moss said that S.C. Bootle High School has received a much needed electrical upgrade because it had been operating for decades with the same electrical setup from the school's inception. It was a major undertaking with a lot of trenching and installation of new circuit boxes and switches.

"BEC has completed its switchover, and we are just waiting on the electrical contractor to complete his work and re-pave the trenched area. Most, if not all, of our classrooms and offices need electrical fixture upgrades (outlets, lights, fans, etc.)," he disclosed. "Even though he was not obligated to, the electrical contractor assisted in getting some of the fixtures working."

## Art Explosion at Agape Christian School

*By Jennifer Hudson*

Agape Christian School presented its second annual Art Explosion on November 4 and 5 in the school's Grace Gym. Art Explosion 2012 showcased a variety of Bahamian arts and crafts featuring the work of local artist vendors and some students of the school.

Among the many familiar faces once again presenting their arts and crafts were Joe Albury with his half boat models, Lillian Cash with her It's in the Bag distinctive straw bags, Edna Kemp with a large array of sea glass, shell and coconut jewelry and other crafts and Rhonda Pearce's beautiful photographic scenes of Bahamas. Other crafts on display were driftwood picture frames, bowls and other wood-turned items, quilting and crochet work as well as a large variety of beaded jewellery.

This year several newcomers made a

pleasing addition to the show. Shirley Higgs, who is well known for her gardening skills, showed how talented she is with a paintbrush. She displayed a beautiful collection of acrylics on canvas depicting flowers which were all grown in her garden. This was her first time at an art show having only begun painting less than a year ago, and she was excited to have already sold several of her paintings.

Another newcomer was Christine Sawyer displaying a large variety of baskets and jewellery, all handmade from Bahamian pine needles, raffia and baked clay. These intricate handwoven designs take hours to perfect and each is unique.

Johnny Cash, another first timer, has been hiding his light under a bushel for many years and finally decided to uncover his talents to the public. He displayed a wide range of pictures painted over the course of many years along with jewellery and craft items made by his wife.

Students from the Agape School were invited

once again this year to participate in the show with their own booth. Several took advantage; Johanan Cartwright and Andrew Sweeting displayed their drawings and paintings for the second year. First timers this year were Deanna MacDonald and Kennedy Romer selling their drawings, Alyssa Pinder with crafts, Jenna Albury with shell work, Racquel Albury with jewellery and Mikayla Marshall with hair clips and ornaments utilizing driftwood and sea fans.

The large display of Agape students'

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## St. Francis wins Grade Eight Spelling Bee



The first District Spelling Bee for the school year took place on November 4 at St. Andrews Methodist Church Hall in Dundas Town. Thirteen students took part representing Abaco Central High School, Cyber Learning Center, S.C. Bootle High, Moore's Island All Age School and St. Francis de Sales School. At the end of the competition Radisha Destini of St. Francis emerged the winner, followed by Kadesha Canton of Abaco Central High School in second place and Jorline Auguste of S.C. Bootle in third place. The top three students received trophies and certificates and the other participants received a certificate each.



More men are doing outstanding work with wood. A new person to this craft is Keith Stratton whose work is displayed here at the Agape Christian School Art Explosion.

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BJC and BGC SE art and craft work was interesting and impressive. Some beautiful and imaginative work had been produced including collages, cross stitch, macramé, needlepoint, string work and much more.

A kids' craft area kept the art teacher and her assistants very busy. This was a very popular spot all day with children eagerly making Christmas stockings, tree decorations, Christmas wreaths and a variety of other items. Jewellery making was especially popular with the girls. A bouncy castle provided an enjoyable way for the

kids to let off steam outside. After enjoying perusing the varied items for sale, many people chose to rest their legs and socialize in the refreshment area provided. Hamburgers, hot dogs, popcorn, sweet treats and beverages helped revive any flagging energy.

## Interact members are inducted

*By Mirella Santillo*

Fifty-one members of the Interact Club at Forest Heights Academy were officially inducted on October 26. This is an all time record number for an Interact Club on Abaco.

This year's club will be directed by President Deanza Cox, Vice-President Ali Boyce, President Elect Rebecca Strachan, Treasurer Vincent Roberts and two Sargents-at-Arm, Carlito Pinder and Sinclair King. They will be seconded by a Junior Secretary, Janett Collins, and a Junior Treasurer, Ali Bethel.

Members of the Rotary Club, Youth Committee Chairman Ian Carroll and two advisors, Alana Carroll and Lori Thompson, handled the job of "pinning" all of the members. The ceremony was followed by pizza and soft drinks.

As this year's commitment the club's new members have



*This crafter made many earrings for the art show. Additionally she made them to order while the customer waited.*

## Teachers are urged to prepare students for college

Abaco Pathfinders Scholarship Foundation invited Monique Hinsey of the Lyford Cay Foundation and Makia Gibson of Yes to Education to make presentations at the Professional Development Seminars for Public Schools on Abaco on October 24. High school teachers along with their guidance counselors and administrators were given a workshop on *A College-going Culture - Changing Lives, Improving Schools, Transforming Communities*.

Mr. Gibson made a tongue-in-cheek statement to the teachers, saying, "Parents are sending the best children that they have to school; they're not holding the bad ones at home." He encouraged teachers not to have their students settle for only being literate, but to push them to critical literacy so that they do not just understand what they read, but how the text influences or changes them as the reader. He further shared with the teachers about some of the best practices among high achieving schools in Ontario, Canada,

pledged to raise more money to combat polio and to dedicate themselves to expand the garden they started cultivating at the side of the school to sell or give away some of their produce.

Advisor Lori Thompson reminded the students that the Interact Club is not a social club but a "service club" and that they were expected to be at least four functions to remain an active member. They will receive their certificates at the end of the school year when they have proven to have been active members.

The ceremony ended with a tour of the fruit and vegetable garden.

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*One of the more popular booths at the Art Explosion at Agape Christian School offered beads that the customers could make into jewellery right there. It offered a wide selection of beads and other materials.*



*These are the officers of the Interact Club at Forest Heights Academy: Ali Bethel, Janett Collins, Vincent Roberts, Carlito Pinder, Ali Boyce, Deanza Cox, Shannon Steele, Rebecca Strachan and Sinclair King.*

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and urged teachers to do their best to close the achievement gap among students and to bring their lowest achieving students up. Teachers were given information on a Spanish immersion program for students in Panama and several upcoming workshops. Further information can be obtained from the website: [www.yesto-education.com](http://www.yesto-education.com)

Mrs. Hinsey gave an impassioned presentation where she encouraged the entire teaching staff of the schools to be a part of creating the "College Going Culture" on their campus. This task is often left up to the guidance counselor, but she encouraged teachers to shift their thinking and realize that it is the job of every member of staff. She made several practical suggestions to the teachers which included creating a "Brag Sheet" of graduates who have gone on to college from their school; to offer classes in SAT preparation; to include college level assignments in their classes; to research and show students summer enrichment programs that are abroad, to create a wall of fame or hallway of honor. One of the school's goals should be to have every new student that enters their school, know that the education that they will receive will allow them to have a very successful life.

Teachers ended the session by creating a plan of action that they will take to create a College Going Philosophy in their school and wider community.

The guidance counselors and administrative teams signed up for the "Own The Turf" initiative that is done in conjunction with College Board. Mrs. Hinsey shared that The Bahamas is the only country outside of the U.S. to be a part of this program which seeks to make available to counselors every resource that will allow them to assist their students in preparation for college. She shared that counselors will be able to sit at their computers and participate in webinars without the expense of having to travel to these workshops.

Leazona Richard, Administrator of Abaco Pathfinders, will be the point person on Abaco and will facilitate group sessions for the counselors.

### Educators attend professional workshops

By Samantha V. Evans

Educators on Abaco had two days of professional development training on October 24 and 25. Primary school teachers met at St. Andrews Methodist Hall and high school teachers met at Abaco Central High School.

The focus of the workshop for primary



Primary school teachers attended a two day seminar held at the Methodist Church Hall in Dundas Town. The focus of the seminar was to improve reading. Shown is Sharmane Miller, one of the presenters.

school teachers was on reading. Sharmane Miller, a seasoned teacher, was the presenter for this session. The theme was *Fostering Competence, Character, and Citizenship in Pursuit of Excellence in Education*. Mrs. Miller exposed the teachers to strategies that work regardless of whether the children have English as their first language or not.

The sessions were mainly interactive incorporating group focused activities. The teachers got a chance to learn from each other and to brainstorm what they can do to improve problems being experienced within the classroom. Mrs. Miller told them that some of the things they do in the classroom sometimes hinder learning so she encouraged them to take a step back to ensure that what they do and say is bringing out the best in the students. She further spoke to them about the value of

incorporating music and fun activities into the learning process. She demonstrated these during the sessions as well. Some of the areas covered during this session were reasons readers struggle with reading comprehension, major comprehension problems, skills proficient readers have and the reading process.

During the lunch break Makia Gibson from the group Yes to Education spoke to the teachers about the goal of his company which is to prepare high school students for jobs that do not yet exist. He spoke of research that has been done on new educational phenomenon and attempts being made to redefine the role of teachers, the school and learners. He spoke about emotional intelligence which will be of para-

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High school teachers attended a seminar that urged them to prepare students for college. Two speakers were brought in from Lyford Cay Foundation and Yes to Education to give ideas on how to get students to have the mindset to further their education. The seminar was held at Abaco Central High School and included teachers from all high schools on Abaco.

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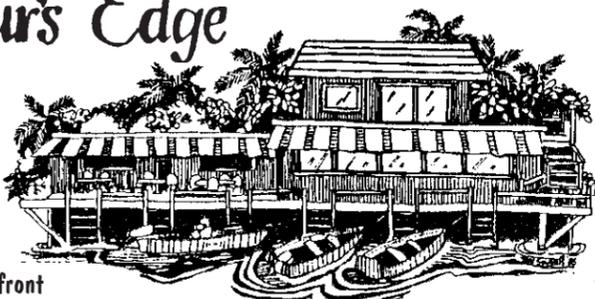
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mount importance in the future. He gave them examples of some of the best practices of schools in other countries.

Mr. Gibson told them that there are three things that best schools have. Only the are best people are selected to become teachers, teachers are well trained and teachers who work together to close the achievement gap. He encouraged the educators to attend the workshop that will be held in February 2012 on Grand Bahama at which time they will hear from some of the leading minds in education. He asked the teachers to submit names of students who can benefit from their French and Spanish Cadet Style Programs to the district superintendent's office.

On day two the teachers attended workshops held at their assigned schools.

## Cat woman wins costume competition

By Samantha V. Evans

Central Abaco Primary School gave its students a day to dress up as their favorite character with the possibility of being named the winner of the Halloween Costume Competition. On October 28 more than 30 students came adorned in their costumes from head to toe. They wore costumes such as Batman, Cat Woman, witches, Medusa, Superman, Sumari, The Thing and so much more.

In the afternoon the students took part in a school parade where they modeled their costumes. At the end of the competition, the top four costumes were named. The winner was Serenity Simon of Grade 2, who

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## Forest Heights Academy celebrated Guy Fawkes



The stuffed guys were lined up before being taken to the bonfire. Guy Fawkes Day commemorates the British capturing Guy Fawkes before the Parliament building was blown up with gunpowder in the early 1600s. Some of these guys have firecrackers inside them.



These are the winners of the costume competition at Central Abaco Primary School.



Later in the evening a large bonfire was lit and one by one the Guys were thrown on the fire which caused the firecrackers to go off. This event is a fundraiser with hamburgers, hot dogs and sweet goodies for sale.

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was dressed as cat woman; in second place was Trinity Saintville of Grade 2, who was dressed as a witch; in third place were two students: Benjamin Cornish of Grade 3, who was dressed as a sumari and Wildjef Davis of Grade 4, who was dressed as Superman. These students were treated to ice cream for taking part in this event.

## Abaco Central High has a new PTA Board

By Samantha V. Evans

On October 6 the first Parent Teacher Association meeting of this school year was held at Abaco Central High School to chart the way forward for the new school year. The parents were addressed by Principal Albert Jones who spoke to them about their achievements last year and plans to make this a better school year. The outgoing PTA president, Bishop Anthony Campbell, spoke to the parents about the role they play in the lives of their children and encouraged them to do all they can to support their children in their educational pursuits. He told them that he will not be seeking re-election as his schedule is too busy. However, he stated that he will work along with the new board to help the school achieve their goals.

Twelve officers were elected to the PTA Board. The President was Luckie Innocent; Vice-president Jason Quashie; Treasurer Lavern Stubbs; Assistant Treasurer Elizabeth Nixon; Secretary Patricia Saunders; Assistant Secretary Mr. McIntosh; Chaplin Bishop Anthony Campbell; and five persons were named as public re-

## The College Fair is scheduled

The Abaco College Fair will be held on November 15 at the Grace Gym at Agape Christian School. It will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Many colleges from the United States, Bahamas and Canada will be in attendance. Ten high schools are expected to be in attendance and the public is also invited.

lations officers: Devius Mercius, Whitney Bain, Samantha Evans and Dashinka Roberts and Shantell Penn.

The newly-elected president is excited about this opportunity to make this school better for the students. He stated that to accomplish their goals will require all of them working together.

## Special Education Professionals Host Town Meeting

By Samantha V. Evans

Carolynn Hall-Knowles and a team of special educators were on Abaco on November 3 to host a town meeting called INSPIRE which is an acronym for Investing in Students and Programs for the Innovative Reform of Education. The focus of the meeting was to discuss policy and standards that are working for special education, legislation for inclusive education and identification of special needs in children.

This meeting was held at Central Abaco Primary School. Stakeholders from various areas were invited to attend to contribute to what they hope will result in inclu-

sive education for all students. The project is sponsored by the Ministry of Education and the International Development Bank. The program has three components: national framework for technical and vocational education, investing in the future and strengthening sector management. The group learned about inclusive education and took part in group discussions to address the follow: identification, planning, and parental involvement.

The stakeholders were divided into three groups to discuss the three areas mentioned above. At the end of the discussion, they shared their suggestions with the whole group. The first group spoke on identification and noted six areas that should be considered including stereotyping, broad-

ening legislation, parental denial of child's needs, disorders may be hereditary, provide teachers with training in areas of disabilities and make special education classes mandatory for education students.

The second group addressed planning for inclusive education. Some of the areas they would like to be considered includes having high school students work with special education students/schools as a part of community service, have building codes updated to meet needs of special education children, educate parents so they know how to take care of special needs child, start a data base system to track special needs

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A group came from the Ministry of Education in Nassau to discuss the education of children with special needs. The presenters are getting input from many communities that will be compiled and presented for implementing.

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children, make pre-school mandatory for special needs children, use technology to teach and encourage parental involvement.

The final group discussed legislation and parental involvement. They suggested that parents be allowed to make requests for the educational needs of children, free mandatory screening of children be offered, training for teachers, individualized plans prepared to meet the specific needs of children and that parents be included in preparation, parents allowed to request special tools to assist with the development

of the child, parents are given financial assistance for medical care, testing time shortened and scores of evaluations be shared with parents.

At the end of the meeting Mrs. Knowles thanked the group for taking part in this discussion. She stated that they have a lot of work ahead of them to ensure that kids with special needs are made to feel a part of the community. She believes that this project will help them as her department continues to fight for the rights of special needs children.

Mrs. Helen Simmons-Johnson, District Superintendent of Education, stated that

she understands the needs of special children very well as she, too, has had personal challenges in this area. She believes that Abaco is ahead of the game and invited the team to return. She hopes that legislation for inclusive education will come on stream soon. However, in the meantime, we must all continue to do our part to assist these children find their place within society.

Accompanying Mrs. Knowles were Zhen Rolle and Christine Cunningham, who are both special education teachers. This special project will run for a one-year period and is being piloted at schools across The Bahamas that have the greatest need for such a program.

## Youth Leadership Program offered at several schools

*By Canishka Alexander*

Toastmasters International's Youth Leadership Program was offered to students for the first time last year, and according to Julieth Stuart McCafferty, vice president Public Relations of the Abaco Lighthouse Beavers, the program was offered once again on October 28.

Mrs. McCafferty announced on October 26 that the program would be launched at Agape Christian School, Forest Heights Academy, Abaco Central High School and Horizons Academy.

The program is designed to enable its participants to develop their potential to become better and more confident communicators and leaders through practical experience during the program's unique eight-week session. The participants re-

ceive training in learning to overcome nervousness when speaking before an audience; in organizing and presenting ideas logically and convincingly; and in learning to listen carefully to others' ideas and offer advice to help them on improving their speaking and leadership skills. The members participate in group discussion or meetings.

Mrs. McCafferty added that the students will be giving a five-minute speech, charge or talk on the Bahamas Christian Network every week night at the end of the newscast as well.

## Every Child Counts puts on program

*By Jennifer Hudson*

The students of the Every Child Counts School held their first assembly of the school year on October 28 to introduce to parents, friends and well-wishers some of the things they had been working on since September. The students sat patiently waiting for the plane carrying some out-of-town guests to touch down at the airport as they were eager to show everyone what they had prepared for them. The joy with which these children performed was infectious and created a very happy atmosphere.

Ms. Vernelle's class of the youngest students performed an endearing rendition of *I thank you father for making me me; not you; me!* which some of them had illustrated with paintings done in their art class. Miss Ellen's class of older children had been studying National Heroes of the

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Bahamas and their well-spoken presentations showed that they had done much research on the lives and achievements of Sir Milo Butler and Sir Lynden Pindling.

Two new entities which have been formed since September are a choir and percussion group. These were under the direction of Ms. Garnell Limperes, who has recently returned from studying in the United States and is now helping to bring out the musical talents of these children. The choir, preceded by a quartet, sang which was followed by Mr. Mars' class's percussion presentation. The drumming was remarkable and was ably accompanied by the players of the other percussion instruments. "Music is a big thing for our kids," stated Ms. Limperes, and the students displayed, by their enthusiasm and

accomplishment, that, indeed, it is.

School principal Lyn Major spoke of the new full-time art program which was initiated in the school in September. "Every child has art a couple of times a week, and the older students are part of an internship program. This entire program will be really valuable in helping the children express themselves," she stated. Several of the students held up art work that they had been working on for all to see, and it did, indeed, show that there is much artistic talent amongst these children. One of the senior students, Blake, held up a cupboard which he had decorated with his artwork and it was outstanding. "We have some exceptional artists here and we are exploring ways in which we can use these talents to raise funds and maybe even turn this into a business in the future. We want to give the students ways to be a productive part of the

community," informed Mrs. Major.

The plan is for more pieces of furniture to be decorated for auction at a fundraiser for the school in February. Donations of old or new pieces of furniture are urgently needed for this program and will be gratefully accepted by the Every Child Counts School, tel 367-2505. So if you can help by donating in this way, the school would be very happy to hear from you.

## Cyber organizes fundraising fair

*By Canishka Alexander*  
Cyber Learning Center's Family Fun

Day and Market was held on November 5 to aid in the construction of the new school building at its future site, which is located just off the Ernest Dean Highway. According to Cyber teacher, Ansel Cooper, the foundation has already been laid, and the expectation is that they will soon relocate.

Vendors set up booths that displayed clothing, food and beverages, plants, face painting and games and gift items. Mr. Cooper said that the event had gone very well, and that they had enjoyed a fun-filled day with great support from the commu-

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*Every Child Counts, a school for special needs students, performed for parents and friends. New this school year is a choir and additional art classes. The students benefit from these areas in being able to express themselves. The programs they put on are always enjoyed by the audience.*

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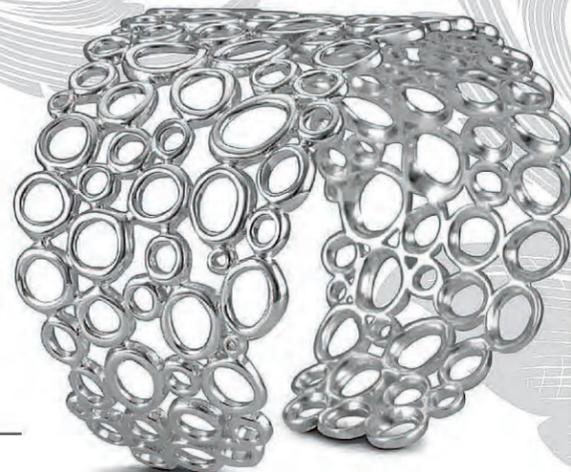
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# Book Review . . . Last Lights, a book about Bahamian lighthouses

By Annie Potts

"Between 1836 and 1887 the British Imperial Lighthouse Service commissioned 11 manned lightstations to be built at remote outposts in The Bahama Islands." So writes Annie Potts, who, with 30 plus years of sailing in Bahamian waters and a background in photography, has published the first book in 50 years to document the Bahamian lightstations. Through photographs and text Ms. Potts takes us from armchair into the world of the builders, suppliers and keepers of these lighthouses with her new book, Last Lights- The Hand-Wound Lighthouses of The Bahama Islands.

At first look, Last Lights is a photographic essay on Bahamian lighthouses,

but it goes deeper. The striking, beautifully composed photographs show us the keepers' daily chores, but what also resonates throughout the book is the author's sense of The Bahamas and her plea to keep manning the world's last hand-cranked, kerosene-burning lighthouses. When the author first discovered that these lighthouses were threatened with automation, she decided to photograph and write about them in order to encourage their conservation. From images of their irreplaceable Fresnel glass lenses to intimate photographs of their keepers at work, Last Lights takes us into a world now threatened.

Of the 11 manned lights, all but three have been automated and their large lenses and turning mechanisms removed. Ms. Potts writes about all 11 lights, providing us with photographs and specific information about each individually, and she also gives us the sense of the unique feeling for the presently manned towers and their keepers. Few of us will have an opportunity to visit all the Bahamian lighthouses, but this book almost enables us to do so without leaving our living rooms. Tales of ghosts, shipwrecks and disappearances help us imagine past lives lived in these lonely places. Her brief history for their choice of location gives us the context within which to understand the original need for each of these lights.

The Bahamian lighthouses have always been costly and difficult to maintain. While it is clear that these lightstations are essen-

tial as part of Bahamian maritime history, their presence as primary navigational aids is challenged. Operating the last manned stations will provide safety for ships at sea as well as an unbroken chain of the living history of the Bahamian people. The author believes it is vital to take advantage of this opportunity.

This book is available at Ebb Tide in Hope Town, 366-0088, or from Media Publishing in Nassau, 242-325-8210. The author can be contacted at lastlightsbahamas@gmail.com.



Lighthouse keeper Sam McPhee is examining the fresnel lenses of the Hope Town Light Station with Dave Gale. This lighthouse was built in 1863. Mr. Gale is the president of the Bahamas Lighthouse Preservation Society whose goal is to preserve Bahamian lighthouses in their original state.



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# Irresponsible driving is a potential danger

By James Hull, MD

I was driving on the road to Sandy Point on the weekend when I crested a rise in the road and found a car coming straight for me in my lane. This car was passing another car on a rise in the road which is a very dangerous maneuver. If the timing had been different, I might not be here to write this article.

I drive to Treasure Cay twice per week and see some driving skills that are bound to lead to more deaths on our roads. If our drivers are waiting for our police to patrol the roads to get things under control, then we all have a problem. Why do we as a people need police to make sure we act in a responsible manner? Our personal actions should not put others at risk, and we should not need the police to force us to do so.

I have seen far too many accidents on Abaco and many have taken the lives of our young, and far too many have taken the lives of those who were just in the wrong place. Our drivers should obey some basic laws like pulling their vehicles all the way off the road when they stop or have a break down. Do not pass on a corner or a rise in the road. Make sure you have a clear view of the road before initiating a pass. Please stay in your lane around any corners. Do not drive at such high speeds along our marginal roads.

We need to take responsibility for our actions, and we need to demand accountability from our government. They need to explain to us why it takes so long to repair our

roads! The potholes in Marsh Harbour are bad and can damage your car. The potholes on the highways can cause serious accidents that again can lead to injuries and death. Who is responsible for the repairs to our roads? Whoever is responsible they need to take their job seriously, and our government needs to supply them with enough money to ensure the job is done quickly.

We need to be responsible adults and stand up and demand better roads. After all, we pay for them in our taxes. Let's all drive to stay alive.

I have focused on this concept before. Prevention of injury and death is one of the biggest parts of health care. And our driving habits and roads need to be better.

### School

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nity. All proceeds collected from an assortment of donated plants went toward supporting the local chapter of the Bahamas Red Cross.

He thanked all sponsors and participants of the Family Fun Day and Market. Additionally,



Face painting was popular at the Cyber Learning Fair

as part of the school's November activities, a Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on November 18.



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# News of the Cays

## Storm Surge Speeds Dune Deterioration

By Bradley Albury

The storm surge over the weekend of November 5 took its toll on the ocean-side dune between Abaco Inn and Sea Spray Resort on Elbow Cay. Swells of up to 15 feet rolled through during peak high tides, flooding the narrow passage and knocking down a live transformer into the pooled sea water. The road was impassible for most of the day. Golf carts were bogged down in the wet sand and power was turned off for residents' safety.

This recent blow to infrastructure continues to stress businesses and homeowners on the southern end of the island. Coupled with the hazardous ridge just further north, the situation has become dangerous for both locals and visitors who wish to tour the historic settlement. With the Christmas season at hand, many are worried about how this unresolved problem from August's Hurricane Irene will affect business. The island's fragile economic recovery is threatened, and there is the very real danger of injury to anyone making a trip through the critical, cliff-side stretch of road.

As of November 7 the affected road at the foot of the battered dune was passable, though, certainly not acceptable or reflective of this revenue-generating settlement. The unhindered degradation of the dunes is likely to be a point of contention among the many second homeowners who pay taxes for their houses on the southern end of the island.

Junior Mernard of Sea Spray Resort informed us that equipment from Big Cat is expected to begin work on the White Sound dune. Sand will be pushed back in an attempt to maintain the natural levee, however, reconstruction of the crumbling ridge just farther north is not in the budget and is, unfortunately, expected to remain as it is through the high-traffic tourist season.

## Hope Town District Council

By Timothy Roberts

The major concern discussed by the Hope Town District Council members during their monthly meeting on October 27 centered on the need for repairs at the upper (north) and lower (south) dune roads in White Sound that were damaged as a result of Hurricane Irene and another passing storm.

Chief Councillor Jeremy Sweeting said that the \$80,000 allocated to repair the lower dune road from Central Government was made available on October 19. How-

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The rage that Abaco experienced during the first weekend of November once again closed the road between Abaco Inn and Sea Spray Marina, isolating the south end of Elbow Cay. Each time the sand dune covers the road it is bulldozed back. But because it is loose sand, wave action pushes it back again. This is the third time the road has been closed in less than three months because of several feet of sand covering it, the first being during Hurricane Irene.

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# More News of the Cays

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ever, after consideration and input from the both the Council and the community, it is felt the money would be better served securing the upper dune road.

Deputy Chief Councillor Harold Malone and Council members Don Cash and Donnie Carey observed that if repairs were not soon undertaken at the upper dune road, it would have to be shut down. The area has become increasingly dangerous as more sand erodes away leaving less and less road to drive on.

Manager of Sea Spray Resort, Junior Mernard, agreed with the assessment, adding that the lower dune road is easier to recover. He expressed concerns as they are rapidly approaching their busy season and they depend on that road to get to their properties. People are becoming more nervous as nothing is being done. Abaco Inn and Sea Spray as well as more than 100 residents live and do business south of the dune road.

Mr. Mernard said that time is of the essence and that repairing the upper dune road will be more beneficial to the community to the south. A permanent solution is something that needs to be sought and considered after the area is secured.

Mr. Sweeting is working urgently with the Ministry of Finance to get the funds re-allocated to fix the upper dune road instead of the lower road, which he feels the government is willing to do. They are having an assessment done and expect to be able to accomplish the job with the same amount of funding. Mr. Sweeting is confident that by the first week of November the reallocation will be completed and they will be able to proceed.

Mr. Mernard is concerned that a considerable amount of sand is being removed from the area that is needed for the restora-

tion of the dune. People should not be able to remove the sand because the restoration of the road should take precedence over personal use.

Mr. Sweeting was unaware that this was happening and will address a letter all persons who sell sand to refrain from using that sand until the dune is restored.

An issue was raised concerning a dock in Guana Cay that the Hope Town Council had given their recommendation for approval on earlier this year. More than a month ago it was noted that the builder had exceeded the 120 feet recommended by the Council and had constructed a gazebo.

The Council notified the Port Authority, who went to give a cease and desist order; however, the builder produced a permit for a longer dock granted by the Port Authority in Nassau and signed by Minister of the Environment, the Hon. Dr. Earl Deveau. A copy of the permit was shown in the meeting.

The Councillors expressed frustration that central government continues to grant permits and licenses without consulting with local government. The Council feels

the dock being built in Guana Cay harbour is far too long and will present an obstruction to access other docks.

The Council said that when government does things like this, it alienates the people of the area and makes local government lose confidence when their decisions are overturned or disregarded.

Mr. Sweeting said the Council will write a letter expressing their displeasure and frustration with the decision by the Port Authority in Nassau and Dr. Deveau in granting this permit without communicating and seek input from the local group.

The Library Restoration Committee members, Erika Russell and Sara Knowles, spoke to the Council about finalizing the plans to rebuild the Hope Town library. Presently, a second homeowner agreed to donate a large portion of the money to

build a new library for Hope Town as the present one is dilapidated beyond repair.

The plans for the library had evolved over several months to now be a two-story building with the addition of a community center included on the second floor and is expected to cost an additional \$200,000 more.

The library committee members said the footprint, which includes an outside porch and stairway, would be too large. They suggested removing the second story and moving the building back from the road to keep the area used for fundraising intact.

They said that the community centre needs to be bigger than the one provided in the library plans and that they would look at putting it somewhere else. Council felt the suggestions were well warranted and agreed to approve the project as a single story building.

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# Field trips acquaint students with mangroves

By Mirella Santillo

On October 25 d'Shan Maycock, Education Officer at Friends of the Environment, organized a field trip to the mangrove area of Camp Abaco for a group of students from Cyber Learning Center. It was the fifth trip to the mangroves since the beginning of October, the continuation

of a school program that started in February.

The program is aimed at educating students about the importance of the environment, especially the mangrove wetlands which relate to the fishing industry. It was made possible through a small grant from Global Environment Facility and the WW

Wild Life Fund.

The field trips were designed as a follow up to the Size Matters campaign which was aimed at making fishermen realize the importance of letting crawfish grow to their full size before catching them. Since the fishing industry is one of Abaco's main revenue sources and since many school children come from fishing families, Mrs. Maycock explained that it was logical to include the education in the schools by teaching students about the wetlands' contribution to the fishing industry. By examining firsthand the mangrove swamps, they would come to realize that these wetlands were the nursery for the fish that would later inhabit the coral reef and become the catch of the fishermen. Hence, the importance of preserving the wetlands and the reefs.

During each field trip, the students are handed out a "scavenger hunt" form that they fill out after trip. They need to recognize three species of birds, three species of plants, three species of aquatic creatures and recognize evidence of human interference. A prize is given at the end of the trip for those who have completed the form completely.

On the way to the wetlands, the bus

makes several stops when Mrs. Maycock points out various habitats. At the first stop she briefs them on the pine forest ecosystem. At the second stop on top of a hill that offers a view to the sea of Abaco, the students are made aware of the difference in the vegetation lining the coastal area. The final stop is the mangrove area where detailed information on the various types of mangroves and their characteristics are provided. She points out the differences in each plant and urges the children to observe their surroundings and discover signs of wild life under rocks and in the flowing waters of the creek. Armed with binoculars, the children are told to identify the birds they spot. A final walk along the beach usually marks the end of the trip.

So it was on October 25. The weather was perfect for a field trip and the group was small enough to take advantage of the information being passed on. All kids took notes and participated fully, examining their surroundings, spotting small fish in the creek, crabs under rocks and birds in the coppice area along the road. Three girls returned from the trip with small prizes for having completed the "scavenger hunt" form accurately.

As of now, field trips have been completed by Treasure Cay Primary School, Long Bay School, Abaco Central High School, St. Francis de Sales School and Cyber Learning Center. Students enrolled in Friends of the Environment Summer Camp also went to Camp Abaco mangrove wetlands and 35 teachers participated in an "on site" workshop.

Schools interested in having students participate are invited to contact Mrs. Maycock at Friends of the Environment.

The program will continue with field trips to coral reefs.



Students of Cyber Learning Center learned a great deal about the importance of mangroves on their field trip with d'Shan Maycock. These field trips are to show how the mangroves directly affect our fisheries industry.

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# People in the News

## Abaco has a new Superintendent of Education

By Jennifer Hudson

Helen Simmons-Johnson took up her appointment as Abaco's new District Superintendent of Education on September 22, succeeding Dr. Lenora Black. Mrs. Johnson comes to Abaco after having served the past two years as District Education Officer for the South Andros, Mangrove Cay area. Prior to that she served in the capacity of primary school principal for 12 years on New Providence.



Helen Simmons-Johnson

"I have always loved education. It is the only thing I have ever wanted to do, and I have never regretted one moment of my career," stated Mrs. Johnson, who says that she is looking forward to her time on Abaco. When asked how she feels Abaco will contrast with Andros, Mrs. Johnson stated that while there are more schools on Abaco and more cays to get to, she believes that the challenges and pleasures will be the same. "I believe we must concentrate on similarities, not differences amongst students, and this will make a difference. Persons should live together in harmony wherever they find themselves. All parents want the best education available for their children. It is preparation for life at a later

stage, and we must look at different ways to help a child with different challenges. We should embrace our differences; our job is to provide education for every child, and we must meet all needs." Mrs. Johnson stated that her first plan is to learn about Abaco and to learn the different flavours of different areas.

In any spare time that she has Mrs. Johnson enjoys travelling and feels that Abaco will afford that since it is a large island with many different cays. She is a great nature lover with a love of the sea and a love of plants and gardening. Having visited Abaco three times in the past, she is amazed at the changes she now sees. "Abaco appears to be quite vibrant with much to do and see," she remarked.

## Lovely Reckley expands school lunch program

By Samantha V. Evans

Lovely Reckley is a business owner and minister of the Gospel who has a passion for helping others. More than a year ago she began a school lunch ministry with one private school and one public school. This program did so well that she expanded the program to include four schools: Central Abaco Primary, St. Francis de Sales School, Every Child Counts and Abaco Central High School.

When Mrs. Reckley started, it was not about making it public but rather to

meet a need. She stated that sometimes people think that because kids attend private schools that they do not need lunch assistance, but frequently they do. Many parents are doing their best to provide for their kids but do not always have lunch to give. This is where she comes in. She provides about 10 lunches a day for each of these schools.

Mrs. Reckley is committed to running the program but noted that it can be expensive. To offset the cost of this program, she can be seen outside Maxwell's, KFC and other establishments seeking the financial support of the public. Anyone who is interested in assisting with this Feed the Children Program started by Lovely Reckley can contact her by calling 367-3442.

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# Church News

## Services are held at Soul Saving Ministries

By Samantha V. Evans

Apostle Trevor Wilson is no stranger to Abaco as he has been here on numerous occasions over the past three years. His visits initially took him to Cooper's Town. Then he made his first official visit to Central Abaco in January when he set up a tent near Roderick's Shop. His ministry is a traveling one that has taken him and his wife, Min. Madica Wilson, all around the world.

The current series of services that started on October 31 got off to a slow start due to bad weather. However, once the weather cleared, the numbers increased on

a nightly basis. Apostle Wilson spoke of how many persons have been healed and prayed for over the week. The services were extended through November 6 due to popular demand.

Prophet Wilson stated that they were able to show God's love, compassion and grace to those who came. As a result of this many were healed and gave their lives to the Lord. Mrs. Wilson spoke about their street ministry that took them to Murphy Town where they spoke with the guys who hang out in that community. They shared the love of God with them and the young men listen and showed them much respect. They visited Auskell Medical Center as well.

They believe that it is time for the

church to get out of buildings and reach the hurting people of Abaco. According to Min. Wilson, many young people came out to the services as well which was very encouraging. She further stated that the youth are not lost but simply in need of direction. Apostle Wilson hopes that more persons will realize that God is not interested in titles but in the heart of those who love him.

## Abaco Youth Ministries distributes clothing and food

By Canishka Alexander

Abaco Youth Ministries hosted the International Clothing and Free Brunch event on October 29. The event began earlier than announced because of the number of people that were in need.

Edna Kemp, one of the church members, said the clothing and food drive is offered twice a year, usually in February or March and then again toward the end

of the year. Clothing and shoes for babies, infants and adults were on display, and persons were allowed to collect two bags of clothing each. They were served a hot bowl of soup before they left the church grounds.

Ms. Kemp said the drive began long before she attended the church. "I think Pastor Beverly [Archer] probably saw the need and a vision a long time ago from their tent ministry. Because people know that this church is a church that actually gives away, people just give stuff to her to give to the community," Kemp explained.

## Silent ministry focuses on winning souls

By Canishka Alexander

For more than a year members of the New Miracle Church of God's Evangelistic Team have been engaging in a si-

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# More Church News

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lent ministry at the traffic light in Marsh Harbour to win lost souls for Christ. It is a technique that was learned during an outreach ministry training that took place in Baltimore, Maryland, and according to Floyd Johnson, one of the members, the silent ministry allows them to trust God and rely on the Holy Spirit to do the work.

"So this is like stepping aside and letting God's Holy Spirit draw all men to him," he said, confidently.

The reactions of motorists and passerby have varied from the honking of horns to thumbs up signs. He admitted that some people have mistakenly thought that they are begging.

For one hour on weekdays Mr. Johnson and Bradley Reckley, the team leader, are equipped with boards that offer encouraging Scriptural messages.

Mr. Johnson explained that the ministry has taken them all over the island and has allowed them to greatly impact the lives of people they come into contact with. However, he and the members' lives have also been impacted by what they see God doing through their ministry.

"We can't change the world, but we are trying hard to change the area that we are in. If we can change one person at a time, then we can change our community," Johnson reasoned.

He added that the ministry is not only about them or their church as he invited others to assist them with silent witnessing. He and Mr. Reckley are burdened for lost souls because every soul that is lost is one they cannot get back.

# These two are helping sick children

*Shelby Sawyer and Teon Russell, two 6th grade students from the Amy Roberts Primary School, have been encouraging their classmates to collect pop tabs from canned sodas to donate to the Ronald McDonald House as a donation for the treatment of sick children. They have collected over 5,000 tabs. They will be mailing them off by the end of the month. They are learning early to reach out to help others at the same time they are helping the environment.*



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# The story a glass ball brought

By Clint Kemp

It's amazing what washes up on the beaches of South Abaco. I spend hours beachcombing, looking for interesting treasures, but sometime the treasure finds you. Such was the case this week when a large glass ball in a curious plastic shell washed up on Long Beach. Staff at the Black Fly lodge retrieved the ball that was unlike anything I had seen before. We were all very interested to discover what it was and where it came from.

The ball was stamped with the word Vitrovex and a quick Google search revealed that the ball was made in the UK by the Vitrovex company and distributed by the RS Aqua company that specializes in high quality glass products for the marine environment. I found the company interesting and spent more time exploring the site to

see what else they made and that is where the real story begins.

In the menu bar of the site several buttons were related to the business of the company but one seemed out of place labeled "Epilepsy Bereaved." When I selected the button, a story opened that touched me so deeply, it brought tears to my eyes. I often wonder about the stories behind the trinkets I pick up on the beach and have never found a message in a bottle. But the glass ball from the deep brought a story with it.

It was the story of Becky Seriven, the 11-year-old daughter of Rodger and Sandie Seriven, owners of the RS Aqua Company. Becky's story is one of a beautiful young girl taken tragically as a victim of Sudden Unexpected Death Syndrome in epilepsy. I had never heard of this syndrome and as I read further, the story of Becky's life unfolded with pictures and poetry. As a father of two daughters, one that is about the same age as Becky, my heart broke, and I was stunned by the reality of the ball washing up on the beach in front of our lodge and the story from the deep



Becky Seriven

that was touching my heart in such a deep place.

I took the time to respond on the website to tell the story of the ball washing up in South Abaco and the impact of the story on my life. The following day I was delighted to receive a response from Rodger Seriven and his deep appreciation for hearing how Becky's story had come to me. It turns out that Rodger was giving a presentation in a few days at a symposium on the disease that took his daughter's life and shared the

story of the ball and the power of a beautiful little girl's story touching hearts on distant shores.

We are doing our part to bring awareness to this disease by placing a button on our Black Fly site with Becky's story.

When the ocean brings you treasure it must be shared with others. Please take the time to read Becky's story and her poem *He Loves Me*. [http://www.rsaqua.co.uk/epilepsy\\_bereaved.php](http://www.rsaqua.co.uk/epilepsy_bereaved.php).



This is the large glass ball found at Long Beach that led to the story of Becky Seriven.

## Birding Trip attracts large group

By Mirella Santillo

More than 15 people including three high school students joined the birdwatching group that met at the Treasure Cay Road junction in the morning of November 5. Everyone was eager to find out which feathered newcomers had arrived on the is-

land. Experienced ornithologist, Reginald Patterson, led the group.

Forty-six species were recorded that day while visiting three locations: a man-

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Birders visited three locations in North Abaco on November 5 and recorded 46 species of birds on the first birding trip this fall. The group was interested to see which species that had already arrived for their winter migration.

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grove area which was swarming with wetlands birds, Tricolored Herons, Great Egrets and Coots among others, a coppice strip bordering the seashore where many species of Warblers and a female Summer Tanager were noted and the Treasure Cay citrus farm where a Mangrove Cuckoo was spotted and a Red-Tailed Hawk posed long enough to be immortalized in local bird watchers photo albums.

It was too windy for good observation as the small feathered bodies were carried away on the breeze before they could be identified. So it is very likely that a number of species were missed. Most of the birds observed were usual returning migrants or native birds. There were bird watchers

with tele-scopic cameras so many good photos were taken.

According to Reg Patterson, a White-eyed Vireo, the Summer Tanager and the Mangrove Cuckoo were the most interesting sightings.

The Bahamas National Trust had organized a tour guide seminar in May of this year, concentrating on bird identification. The very intensive workshop which consisted of in-class information and field



Red-Tailed Hawk

trips, was aimed at certifying local people to lead birdwatching tours. The November outing was the third trip organized by the Trust since then; two of the certified persons participated in that trip, including the group leader. The Bahamas National Trust Coordinator for the local office, Kaderin "Kadie" Mills, who organized the trip, also accompanied the bird watching group.

The annual Audubon Society Christmas Bird Count is the next scheduled bird watching outing; it will take place on December 17 for the Southern part of the island and January 2nd for the Northern area.

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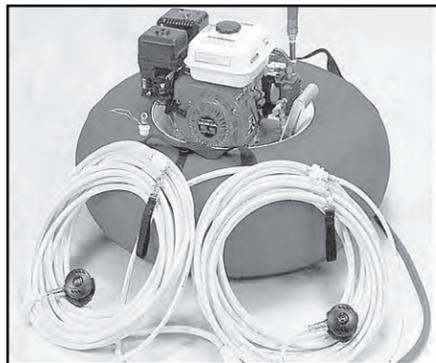
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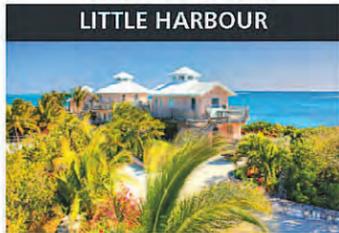
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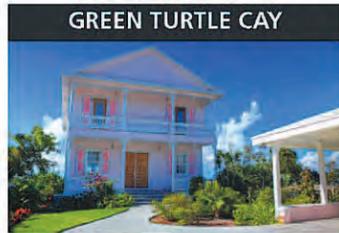
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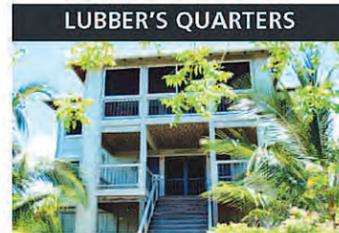
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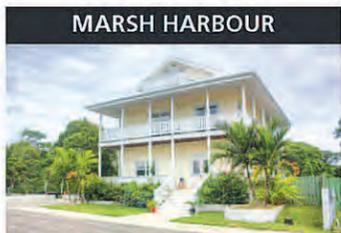
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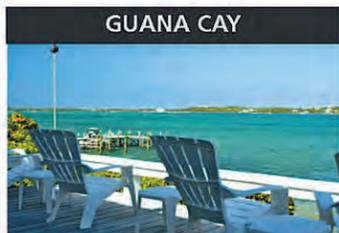
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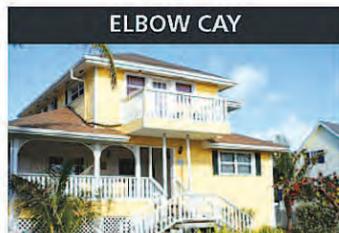
**MARSH HARBOUR**  
**Reduced!**  
4 bedroom home on a 14,650 sq. ft. canal lot has a pool, fully equipped dock plus 2 new jet skis.  
**\$899,000. Ref. AS11270**



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**Reduced!**  
Charming cottage on a 1/2 acre property boasts 100 ft. of beachfront, 4 bedrooms plus an office.  
**\$895,000. Ref. AS11571**



**GUANA CAY**  
**New Price!**  
On nearly 0.5 acres, this 2 bedroom, 2 bath waterfront cottage is complete with a private dock slip.  
**\$840,000. Ref. AS11450**



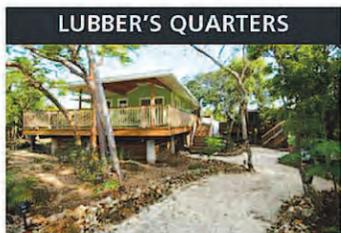
**ELBOW CAY**  
**Reduced!**  
Cozy 3 bedroom island cottage has numerous decks and patios, a large pool and is across from the beach.  
**\$749,000. Ref. PS10665**



**MARSH HARBOUR**  
**Under Contract!**  
Renovated lodging facility with 8 ensuite rooms is a low maintenance investment property.  
**\$495,000. Ref. AS11282**



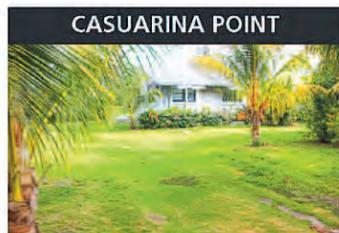
**MARSH HARBOUR**  
**New Price!**  
Elegant 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath, penthouse condo overlooks the Crossing Beach and includes a 30 ft. dock slip.  
**\$575,000. Ref. AS10576**



**LUBBER'S QUARTERS**  
**New Price!**  
Sold together and steps from the water, with a boat slip included, are two, 2 bedroom, 1 bath homes.  
**\$465,000. Ref. AS11553**



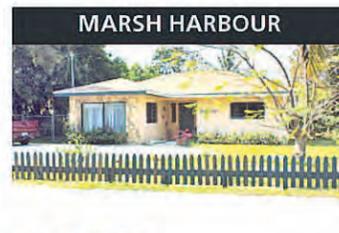
**GREEN TURTLE CAY**  
**New Price!**  
Quaint 3 bedroom, 2 bath cottage, minutes from the beach, is offered fully furnished and includes 2 bikes.  
**\$380,000. Ref. AS11538**



**CASUARINA POINT**  
**New Price!**  
Secluded 3 bedroom, 1 bath house offers a private dock and 205 ft. of canal frontage.  
**\$295,000. Ref. AS11648**



**GREEN TURTLE CAY**  
**New Price!**  
Near the beach, this brand new, 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home awaits your final touches.  
**\$288,000. Ref. AS11513**



**MARSH HARBOUR**  
**Under Contract!**  
This house has 2 bedrooms, 2 baths and provides a fully fenced in yard and large deck for entertaining.  
**\$175,000. Ref. AS11141**



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