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More fishing tournaments reel in the big ones



Above: A 727 Pound Blue Marlin was caught aboard the sports fishing yacht Flight Plan during the inaugural Abaco Beach Resort Blue Marlin Invitational fishing tournament. Above the captain and crew along with angler Joe Ferro (kneeling on the left) of Flight Plan pose with their catch – the largest marlin of the tournament. For more fishing news see page 10.

Late May and Early June saw another round of fishing tournaments bring avid anglers to Abaco's waters. The Bahamas Billfish Championship, which is celebrating forty years, closed its Treasure Cay Leg with "Cowpoke" capturing the win. The Custom Shootout, which is a major charity event as well as a billfish tournament, saw "Reel Pushy" reel in the most points. Back in Treasure Cay, which is celebrating 30 years, Southern Comfort released what was needed to take it all for the Treasure Cay Billfish Tournament. Finally, the inaugural Abaco Beach Blue Marlin Invitational awarded \$550,000 in total to its winning contestants.

Beyond the actual fishing, many of these tournaments had accompanying events that entertained on lay days, and kept the non-fishing partners occupied.

Country music star, Colton James, performed for the BBC's Treasure Cay leg, and will do the same during the BBC's Marsh Harbour Leg. For the Treasure Cay Billfish Tournament, international sandcastle building phenomenon, Victor Leong, spent two days constructing an enormous castle using the pristine sand of Treasure Cay Beach.

As summer heats up, and Abaco Regatta season begins, many retail store owners, restaurants, marinas and groceries bid farewell for the year to the important, and fun, industry of billfish tournaments in Abaco.

Sandy Point Homecoming celebrates community's culture



Above: Some friends hang out along Sandy Point's beach during Homecoming held over Labour Day weekend. For more on the story see page 2.

Fundraiser held in Cherokee



Above: Family and friends gather under the shade of a tree during the Cherokee Chapel Fundraiser on June 8. Food and games kept the crowd entertained.

By Lee Pinder

Although rain had been coming down for two weeks prior to the big day, the sun came out and it was a near perfect outing for the third major fundraiser held for the work being done on Epworth Chapel in Cherokee Sound on Saturday, June 8. Like most local events, the people came out to support this most worthy community project.

People came to donate items, brought food to sell and came to volunteer their help, but they also came to visit with friends and family. Some people were

skeptical and lamented that times were tough, people were short on cash and many were without work. Fortunately, the pessimists were proven wrong that day. The optimists cited the fact that money collected was going to restoring a local landmark, easing open many more wallets that would have otherwise remained closed.

At the close of the weekend, at a special church service held in the Community Center across the street from the old church, Hartis Pinder based his sermon on Please see Cherokee Page 2

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South Abaco

Sandy Point celebrates Labour Day Weekend



Above: a floating platform proved to be a popular amenity for the youth to jump and swim off of.

On June 7 through June 9, Sandy Point welcomed parties and those looking for good Bahamian meals and entertainment. The Sandy Point Homecoming, billed as a "Weekend full of family fun in the sun." Of course, the party carried over well past sunset as well.

On Saturday, June 8, the atmosphere was festive. DJs played hit after hit while Sandy Point locals and visitors from the rest of Abaco, and further, crisscrossed between the food stalls, drink booths and

Nancy's Seafood Restaurant. As the sun beat down, it was only a short walk to the water's edge to cool down.

Classic Bahamian dishes were served to the hungry crowd. Many washed it down with Kalik beer, which was offered on special.

Children repeatedly jumped from the dock and played on the beach as the older crowd met up with friends and made new ones under the bright, Abaco sun.

Cherokee From Page 1

Nehemiah 4:6 remarking that "the people had a mind to work" and re-build the wall around Jerusalem. He compared them to Cherokee people that despite struggles, the people were not letting anything stand in their way and are determined to keep the old landmark.

As noted in a recent article, Epworth Methodist Chapel was first built in 1816 and has survived numerous hurricanes. However, it is still the people and not the building that sustains the community.

Restoration began on the old building on April 23, 2013 and all church meetings and functions have moved across the street to the Wm. W. Sands Community Center.

This church is still a beautiful Sanctuary, but the ravages of time and weather have taken their toll. The building is suffering from rotting wood in the ceiling and many deep cracks in the walls from the disintegration of the limestone. The problems have become worse with the passing years and it is apparent that repairs cannot wait any longer.

However, professional help was needed to assess the scope of the project. These reports have been received and the repairs have begun. This will be a major undertaking and the work will take time and money to complete.

Rev. Marie Neilly, Resident Minister for the Eastern Abaco Region of the BCMC and Michael Knowles, Chairman of the Church Board at Epworth Chapel, along with the Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee, Captain Michael Bethel, whose family have been members of the church for many generations, as well as

Epworth's many members will be putting all their efforts into completing this project. It may be necessary to have further fund raisers.

Few communities on Abaco have the turnout for Fund Raisers like Cherokee. The people know when they come to a Cherokee function they are going to enjoy the day. Organized by Michael and Maria Bethel, together with a hard working committee, the June 8 Fund Raiser had a most successful auction, some new games and some unique and enjoyable entertainment, which everyone enjoyed.



Above: "Hit-the-rat" was a popular game for the children. Here a young girl hands the rat, which bobs in and out of the pipe, back to the game-master.

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BNT, FRIENDS alarmed by extent of illegal dumping on Abaco

By Canishka Alexander

On May 22, Marvin Russell of the Bahamas National Trust (BNT) delivered a presentation at Friends of the Environment on the extraordinary amount of illegal dumping that takes place on Abaco.

High school students from Maryland's Oldfields School, a college preparatory boarding and day school for girls in grades six through 12, were in attendance. Russell showed a series of, "garbage posters," that left them visibly shocked to see garbage overflowing in such an unexpected place – the forest.

What should have been a pristine environment near the community of Spring City was littered with discarded building supplies, derelict vehicles, furniture, household appliances and clothing. Even more bizarre was the huge amount of Heineken beer bottles dumped near the road to Camp Abaco.

After the presentation, the female students were taken on a field trip and clean-up exercise they got a close up view of the unsightly environmental state of our island.

"The clean-up was a real eye-opener; they collected three loads of trash in 30 to 40 minutes," FRIENDS Executive Director Kristin Williams revealed.

The group visited Abaco for two weeks, and spent their first week in Marsh Harbour, visited Abaco's blue holes, and travelled to Green Turtle Cay. They met with Ashley Newell, who taught them how to create seaglass jewelry, which she uses to raise funds for the Humane Society.

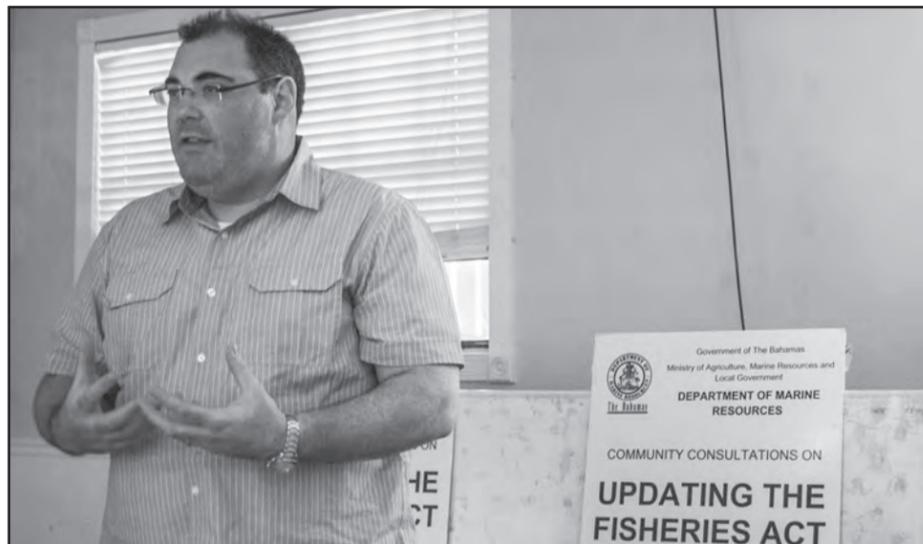
In their final week, the girls were afforded a sailing expedition aboard a catamaran, and a fun day at Mermaid Reef. As alumni of Oldfield College, Williams, Cindy Newell and Victoria Albury sponsored the trip for the students and two chaperones.

After seeing the amount of trash at the entrance of the Marsh Harbour Landfill, Williams said that at a recent FRIENDS meeting, Minister of the Environment and Housing Kenred Dorsett was confounded by what he saw on his visit, and he emphasized that something has to be done immediately.

Williams agreed that we all have to come up with a solution, and stated that the girls did suggest putting incentive programs in place for recycling, or simply keeping the public dump open on Sundays.

"People need to understand why conservation is so important," Williams said. "I am discouraged by the lack of pride."

Officials consult on new Fisheries Act



Above: Legal Consultant with the ACP II program funded by European Development Fund, Chris Hadley speaks with Abaco fishermen concerning updates to the Fisheries Act and listens to their thoughts and concerns.

By Timothy Roberts

Officials at the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) have undertaken a consultation exercise with a number of key stakeholders in an effort to overhaul and modernize the country's Fisheries Act which came into force back in 1977.

The consultation process is part of the ACP (African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of states) Fish II Programme, which is four-and-a-half-year initiative that's being financed by the European Development Fund. It's designed to improve fisheries management in ACP countries and ensure that fisheries resources under the jurisdiction of these countries are exploited in a sustainable manner.

The DMR held a series of meetings in South, Central and North Abaco to get input from fisherman and other stakeholders on what they want to see in a modernized Fisheries Act. Chris Hedley, a legal consultant on the project, told fisherman that they come to them with a blank page and will make laws based on the input received.

The purpose according to Mr. Hedley is to improve the capabilities of the Fisheries administration to manage and regulate their fisheries.

He said after the consultations are finished there will be a draft Fisheries Act presented to Cabinet to review and possibly amend after which a final draft will be made and then they will hold a National Validation workshop. The Act will then go to the House of Assembly for a vote to be passed into law.

Stakeholders at the meeting voiced their thoughts on a variety of issues facing fishermen including restricting commercial fishing to Bahamians only and meting out heavier penalties on foreign vessels caught fishing illegally in Bahamian waters.

They also called for stricter enforcement of crawfishing out of season. It was suggested that crawfish be a seasonal item only and restaurants be restricted from selling it on their menu during the closed season.

They further discussed the possibility of deputizing some fisherman to assist with enforcement on a daily basis as the DMR has limited resources and rely on the Royal Bahamas Defense Force to assist in keeping fisheries laws at sea.

It is expected that National Consultation will take place after drafting the new act sometime in September and stakeholders will be met with again.

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Round-about reconstruction raises concerns



Above: work has commenced at the Marsh Harbour Airport Round-about. The old tar surface has been completely removed in preparation for repaving. Despite complaints from the public regarding the quality of work by Simmons Construction, Deputy Prime Minister Philip Davis said during a recent visit to Abaco that the work being done was, "Satisfactory."

By Timothy Roberts

As road reconstruction continues at the airport roundabout in Marsh Harbour concerns are already being expressed about the quality of the work being done.

By June 11 the old tar surface had been completely removed from around the roundabout and repaving is yet to commence.

During his visit to Abaco on May 27 Philip Brave Davis, Deputy Prime Minister

and Minister of Works and Urban Renewal said that he was aware of the complaints but had received reports from his engineers that the quality of work was "satisfactory". He said the original contract called for sand seal which has now been corrected to asphalt.

Meanwhile Abaconians continue to be frustrated by what is considered, by most, as poor quality workmanship and a waste of tax-payer's dollars.

Dr. David Allen addresses Abaco participants on violence

By Canishka Alexander

In collaboration with Kathleen Knowles of Heal Our Land Family Crisis Center, prominent Bahamian psychiatrist Dr. David Allen facilitated a session on May 24 at the Christian Counselling Center. The purpose of the meeting was to assist counsellors with solving family conflicts and problems effectively.

Because of the increase in violence and crimes in Nassau, Dr. Allen urged participants to place a wall around Abaco in order to save our island before it is too late. To better explain how violence is developed, he took them through a step-by-step explanation on the violence process. Hurt, he said, is the foundation of violence, and in many instances it stems from a person's childhood.

"Love doesn't come and shame comes, so then they develop a shame-defensive self," he elaborated. "Hurt causes love to cross over to shame."

Dr. Allen said that hurting people protect themselves by becoming self-absorbed, and also develop traits of self-gratification, self-appeasement and control. This barrier only holds up for so long before destructive rage breaks through their temporary defense. When the person crosses over to a state of murderous rage where masochistic and sadistic behaviours reside, they are now in an area called the violent destructive tunnel.

Dr. Allen emphasized why it is so important to stop people before they enter the tunnel particularly because anger has often been described as a portal to evil. Many times God has intervened in these types of

situations, and He always comes to warn us, to encourage us and to love us.

Subsequently, Dr. Allen introduced a young man to the group, who shared his family ties and association with gang members, and about the ups and downs he and his family went through during that time in his life.

Because of gang affiliation, and all that is taking place in The Bahamas, the term "black holocaust" is more frequently mentioned. Black holocaust refers to the significant amount of black men who are either being murdered, imprisoned or who are unemployed.

Still, there still remains a way to combat crime, and sometimes it takes the most basic tools to address it. Dr. Allen reminded Pastor David Cartwright about the children's meetings he used to hold, and the good they did in the lives of children. All agreed that two main ingredients that are missing in our homes are fathers, and quite simply, love.

The question was then asked: "How could we be so cruel to the people we should love the most?"

In reference to his handout on "Facing the Giants Of Our Life," Dr. Allen later talked about the anointing of David in his own backyard, yet he was willing to be a servant. When David faced Goliath he was afraid, but then he was able to recall earlier victories. Because he was able to overcome the smaller challenges in his life, he was assured that with God on his side, he would be able to conquer anything.

The sessions are planned for every third or fourth week of each month. Dr. David Allen's next visit to the Christian Counselling Center is scheduled for June 21.



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Business

Bahamas Fly Fishing Industry Association important to Abaco

By Jennifer Hudson

The Bahamas Fly Fishing Industry Association (BFFIA) is a nationwide organization of stakeholders in the fly fishing industry. It encompasses a wide reaching range of members such as fishing guides, lodges, trade organizations, conservation groups, anglers, fishing enthusiasts, second home owners and visitors and is incorporated as a non-profit organization.

The BFFIA was started to establish solidarity among all stakeholders. Its goals are:

- to provide advocacy and strong lobby,
- to influence favourable public policy
- to facilitate training and research
- to promote conservation and efficiency and best practices in fish handling.

A steering committee of approximately 10 members from all over the Bahamas was appointed at a general fishing meeting. This committee has worked to put the organization together and incorporate a membership drive. It is now set for its first annual general meeting in Nassau on July 19 at which time members will vote on board members and officers and decide on an agenda of the most imminent concerns.

The board will start working with government and other concerned parties to find solutions to various challenges such as fishing regulation changes, marketing of fly

fishing to include the Ministry of Tourism and all islands of The Bahamas and to create progress with conservation efforts and research.

The mission of the BFFIA it is to further the interest of all stakeholders in the Bahamas fly fishing sector through solidarity, advocacy, scholarship and strategic marketing and to serve as a representative voice of the industry through its members.

The organization has a full-time executive director in Nassau, Benjamin Pratt, who oversees committees and the day-to-day business of the organization. He also ensures that the work of the board is accomplished.

Anyone involved in the fly fishing industry is encouraged to become a member by filling out an application form and paying a \$25 fee. Information and forms may be found online at www.bffia.com or from any of the following:

Department of Marine Resources, 2nd. floor Government Complex, Marsh Harbour.

Mr. David Knowles, Bahamas National Trust, Marsh Harbour Office.

Mrs. Kristin Williams, Friends of the Environment.

Mr. Leon Pinder, Department of Marine Resources, North Abaco, Cooper's Town.

Mrs. Cindy Pinder, Auskell Medical Rehabilitation Centre, Marsh Harbour or Casuarina Point, South Abaco.

Local wins Regatta truck raffle



After purchasing raffle tickets at Scotia Bank in Marsh Harbour, local Charlie Cash won a new Ford F-150 truck. The truck was the first place prize on a raffle for the 60th National Family Island Regatta Jubilee Anniversary held on the weekend of April 26 - 27, 2013.

Above: Danny Strachan - Chairman & Commodore of the National Family Island Regatta Committee, Petherina Hanna - Manager of the local office of the Ministry of Tourism, William Cash, Marty Cash, Tami Cash, Charlie Cash, Krivoy Smith - Assistant Treasurer of the National Family Island Regatta, Ken McPhee - Chairman of the local Regatta Committee and Eula Morley - Treasurer of the National Family Island Regatta Committee.

Entrepreneur Watch

Pretty Things

By Samantha V. Evans

Jasmine Curry's Pretty Things has been operational for a few months now, and she is very proud to be able to help beautify the ladies of Abaco. She specializes in fashion wear such as clutches, belts, tops, jewelry, and outfits.

She decided to get into this industry because she loves fashion and shopping. She enjoys keeping up with the latest fashion and helping people look their best. Jasmine is a business woman who studied the area she now makes a living from.

She plans to add swimsuits and handbags to her inventory for her summer stock. She is located in Central Pines, but also makes house calls. She can be reached by calling 551-7485 or on Facebook/PrettyThingsAbaco.

Fountain a la Jay

By Vernique Russell

Water fountains, bird fountains, pools and landscaping are among the services provided by Fountain a la Jay. Fountain a la Jay is a new business offering its clients the best in design and service. With more than 25 years in the industry, Jay Duckworth is expanding his services to the Abacos.

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From the Editor's Desk // Beach Parties and Beach Cleanups



was positioned as a fundraiser so giving back was the focus. But the Sandy Point event could not have happened if there weren't community leaders who gave their time and money to make sure it was truly "a weekend of family fun in the sun."

Without giving back, neither of these events could be successful. Without you giving back, your community can't be successful.

With all the high school graduations happening in June it always reminds me how woefully inadequate the infrastructure is to shape the newly released young minds. Yes, many will go to college or training school, but even they need to know that those of us here are contributing in some way. Otherwise why would they come back?

There are so many civic organizations on this island that none of us should have an excuse. Of course I'm not one who should be preaching. Many a weekend slip by without me making any meaningful advance for our island's community.

Of course you can't spend every day organizing a trash pickup. But you can go to one more beach cleanup and one less beach party a year.

Speaking of beach parties, the Regatta is right around the corner. A perfect time to demonstrate to our guests and our children how to be respectful and clean, but also that we can still embrace our Bahamian culture and have a little fun.

In closing, just because our roads are being poorly built and maintained doesn't mean we should let the rest of our society fall into similar disrepair.

Just so we're clear, no one has forgotten about the last edition's issues: the roadwork and airport. But I had an enjoyable weekend, thanks in no small part to the Labour Day Holiday, so I'd rather not dig that up again right away. On the weekends I enjoy exploring our island. Hiking, kayaking, driving somewhere new, etc. I also like exploring our island's culture. Small island? Not when you take it all in.

I got to enjoy several awards banquets for the billfish tournaments that ended in Treasure Cay and Marsh Harbour. Always fun. Always eye opening how much these anglers spend in our communities. The industries that built up to serve these events and lifestyles in Treasure Cay and Marsh Harbour pushed Abaco to be what it is today.

Later in the weekend it was my privilege to join in two important community events. Cherokee was holding its fundraiser for the Methodist Church, a real piece of Abaco's history, and Sandy Point had their Homecoming event. Both enjoyable.

Both the Cherokee Fundraiser and the Sandy Point Homecoming really drove home the point about community awareness and the importance of giving back. Obviously the Cherokee fair

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Community Calender

- June 17: URCA Community Meeting
- June 18: ACHS Graduation
- June 20: Goombay @ Sea Spray - D-Mack
- June 20: Friends of the Environment Field Courses start
- June 21 - June 22: Softball @ Murphy Town Park
- June 21 - June 22: Green turtle Lionfish Derby
- June 22: Cracker P's Full Moon Party
- June 24: Campbell's Shipping Summer Maritime Camp starts
- June 24 - July 5: Camp Horizons Teen Talent Boot Camp
- June 27: Urban Renewal Community Meeting @ CAPS 7pm
- June 28 - June 29: Softball @ Murphy Town Park
- June 29: Rocking with Friends @ Abaco Inn
- June 29: Rotary Club of Abaco Changeover Dinner @ Sea Spray Resort
- June 29: Mother-Daughter Tea Party at Treasure Cay Beach
- July 3: Fiddle Cay Cheeseburger Party (Stranded Naked)
- July 4 Goombay @ Sea Spray - Spank Band
- July 4: Regatta Race 1 - Green Turtle
- July 5 Regatta Lay Day Party at Coco Beach Bar
- July 6: Regatta Race 2 - Treasure to Guana
- July 8 Regatta Race 3 - Guana to Marsh Harbour
- July 8: Pre-Independence Regatta Party @ Crossing Beach
- July 9 Regatta Race 4 - Marsh Harbour to Hope Town
- July 10: Independence Day
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- July 18: Goombay @ Sea Spray - KB

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Letters to the Editor

A Thanks to the Police

Dear Editor:
On Thursday, 30 of May my boat, a Bertram 31', was stolen from Mangoes Marina.

The boat was taken at night and nobody on the Marina was aware of it being stolen. It was a professional job! (Logically we have put security cameras since then.)

I reported the loss to the police in Marsh Harbour.

The police had identified the theft at about 7:00 near Fox Town. It was on the rocks and the thieves were transporting Haitians.

With all the criticism of the Police around, I wanted to thank and congratulate the police.

I specifically want to thank:
SGT Johnson of Marsh Harbour
Inspector Delancy
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CPL Sullivan of Fox Town

Thank you,
Jimmy Vaughn

What Really Grinds My Gears: Abaco Drivers

Dear Editor:

First things first, we have some terrible drivers here on Abaco. The things some people do are inexcusable and ridiculous. People need to learn to follow road rules and pay attention to what's going on around them. Certain people around here have no courtesy or respect for other driv-

ers. No names need to be called or fingers need to be pointed, you know who you are!

The main thing that Really Grinds My Gears are the drivers at the four-way crossing by D'n'R Sports Bar and the BEC Main Office. The drivers here amaze and bewilder me at the same time.

Oh Lord, the things they do.....

This is the process that gets my "Gears Grinding" every time it happens, and it has happened to me more than a couple of times. Some drivers coming so close to hitting me I would swear they took the clear coat right off the side of my car.

So here is how it goes...Good Ole' Abaco drivers are waiting at the four way for their turn to get on the main highway of Don Mackay Blvd. to head to school or to cross on over to Cove Estates (Government Subdivision as some may call) to head out of town, over the big hill, towards Treasure Cay....but wait! What's this?! You notice people can't cross over to the Cove Estates area because some 'Abaco Driver' has pulled across both lanes, to and from, the Cove Estates area, hoping that they can speed out in front of everyone to get onto Don MacKay Blvd.

How in the world do you people get your licenses? Are you completely oblivious that there is a second lane on that side of the road, or does it all just look like one lane to you? Is there some kind of invisible wall there that blocks your view of the people directly across from you, who need to enter the Cove Estates area? Do you know that it is the person's right away and NOT yours? (Yes, this is the person directly across from you.) I just don't understand it! NO courtesy and NO knowledge of the road!

Do you know that if either of you who pull out from the Cove Estates area (these are the drivers who are blocking BOTH lanes) and you hit someone trying to crossover into the Cove Estates area, it is your fault and you will be paying the damages? I guess this hasn't registered as of yet cuz' if it did you wouldn't be doing it, right?

That lovely, NEVER been lit, stop-light that is constantly NOT helping traffic everyday by K&S Gas Station Corner, needs to be relocated and brought up to a four-way that really needs it. If something is not done soon to help control the traffic at this four-way someone is going to get seriously hurt. It is just so frustrating and really "Grinds My Gears"

The next topic of this edition of 'What Really Grinds My Gears: Abaco Drivers' are those biggety, disrespectful, "we own the road" people. You pull off to the side of the road and start talking up with your friends. Do you realize you have a whole line of Traffic blocked behind you, Abaco roads are only two lanes people. Come on! Think!

Do you know that there are other ways you can communicate, what do we have technology for? Who do you think you are....Seriously? You don't own the Road! People have places to go and things to do. And the best part about this whole situation is when the persons who are pulled off yapping and chatting get yelled at by some angry driver who is having to wait behind you or some angry driver honks their horn at them. Then they want to cry, carry on and cuss at people! Guess what, you can cuss and carry on all you want...just get the HECK off the road!

My last topic for this edition of "What Really Grinds My Gears: Abaco Drivers" is the fact that people don't know what turn signals are.....I'm convinced! Abaconians tend to do this more than anything and this is one of the main things that cause accidents.

TURN SIGNALS PEOPLE! USE YOUR TURN SIGNALS!

They were put in your car for a reason, there not there just so you can hear the clicking sound when you turn them on or for people to see a pretty red flashing light that has absolutely NO meaning.

The best joke about turn signals around here is people who know how they turn on but don't know when to use them. Why is it that people wait til' they are like a foot away from the road they want to turn on and hurry and flick on the signals? What sense does this make? Before anyone could see them, you were already turning onto the road you were supposed to go on and they flick right back off.

The one good thing is, at least you know where the switch is to at least turn them on, with a little more practice you might actually flick them on 5 feet before you reach the road to which you want to turn. This may actually give people a heads up!

Here's a funny situation that happened to me last year:

I was driving down the road, heading to work, listening to my radio as usual, when I see this dude up in front of me trying to hail some gal over on the OPPOSITE side of the road in which we were driving. Something told me to keep an eye

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Southern Comfort takes first in 30th TCBT

Press Release

It was a race to the finish for Southern Comfort, who captured top honors at the 30th Annual Treasure Cay Billfish Tournament (TCBT), June 2-7 at Treasure Cay Beach, Marina & Golf Resort, Abaco, Bahamas. Owned by Peter Angel, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Southern Comfort clinched First Place on the last day of fishing when they released their fourth blue marlin, bumping Domarlo, owned by Doug Macdonald, West Palm Beach, FL to second place. Southern Comfort earned Top Team and Top Release Team, releasing a blue marlin on each of the four fishing days. Peter Angel released two blues to win the Top Angler trophy.

Domarlo claimed the Ultra Champ award for most points earned by prior TCBT winners. The team celebrated a Grand Slam on the first day of the tournament, with a blue marlin and sailfish double-header, followed by a white marlin release. Their honors included Top Dol-

phin for a 29.7 lb. fish plus Top Lady and Second Place Angler awarded to Heather Macdonald.

Big T's Too owned by Bob Wolsey, Sarasota, FL dashed from zero to 800 points on the last day of fishing with a blue and white marlin release to snag Third Place.

Top Junior Angler went to fourteen-year-old Mason Daughterty, Auburn, OH on Pandemonium, owned by Kim Kuhnle, Treasure Cay, Bahamas.

Kilowett, owned by Eddie and Lisa Flack, Ft. Lauderdale, FL caught the first blue marlin of the tournament, earning Third Place Angler for Lisa Flack.

A total of fourteen billfish were released during the four days of fishing by eight competitors.

For the lay day Kettle O'Fish tournament Big T's Too took First Place Bottom Fish Division with twenty snapper. Pandemonium took First Place Lionfish Division with seventy fish. Social events included crab races and a lay day dock party with delicious dishes prepared by the anglers. To commemorate the tournament's 30th



Above: Southern Comfort takes first place. Luis Berraras, Lighthouse Point, FL; Peter Angel, Ft. Lauderdale, FL; Wilson Delva, Treasure Cay, Bahamas; Jon Wolff, Boca Raton, FL and Mitch Dinnerman, Boca Raton, FL. Photo credit Paula Fishman

Anniversary, an incredible sandcastle was sculpted and lighted on the lay day by Victor Leong.

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Popular Bahamian Artist Backs Save the Bays with New Song

Kirkland 'KB' Bodie, the number one selling recording Bahamian artist, has joined the fast-growing marine environmental movement, Save The Bays, writing, performing and producing a song by the same name to bring awareness to the fragile state of the country's coral reefs and bays.

Save the Bays, written and sung by the artist who has produced more music than any living Bahamian, premiered exclusively on the popular 100 Jamz morning show, Wake Up and Go with Special K and Leslie. Immediately following that show, it was release to all radio and

online media outlets

"You can clearly see the effects of the pollution in our waters," KB said following a land tour at Clifton Bay and an aerial plane ride over a few Bahamian islands with Save the Bays Director environmental activist Joseph Darville. "We nall have an integral role in saving our bays. This was the impetus which led me to write the track." The song, just under four minutes, includes the chorus 'Rise up, Bahamas, Let your voices blaze, Stand up, Bahamas, come on Let's Save The Bays, God gave us this land, and this land we must save, Stand up, Bahamas, come on let's



Bahamian recording artist KB

KB PLEDGES HIS ALLEGIANCE TO THE BAYS: Prominent Bahamian singer and songwriter, KB, teams up with Save the Bays and is set to release a track to raise awareness about the plight to protect the Bahamian Bays.

Save The Bays."

KB, whose fan favorites include Civil Servants and Bush Mechanic, is no stranger to creating

songs to express his concern over national and environmental issues. In 2011, he produced the hit Dey Sellin' voicing the frustration of the

Bahamian people regarding the constant sale of Bahamian land resources.



Save the Bay Directors Fred Smith and Joe Darville with KB

Sir Sean Connery Lends His Voice to Save The Bays

Legendary actor and longtime Bahamas resident Sir Sean Connery this week added his voice to the growing numbers supporting Save The Bays, a national movement to protect and preserve marine resources and quash unregulated development that threatens the waters and marine life of the country.

"As a longtime resident of the Bahamas, a country whose beautiful waters and beaches have been featured in a number of my films, I am proud to be a supporting member of Save The Bays, and to urge all Bahamians, citizens and residents, to support our effort to defend Clifton Bay along with all

the natural resources of this country," said Connery.

The actor who earned a singular place in the annals of spy thrillers with his early portrayal of secret agent 007 James Bond, the consummate connoisseur of all things action-packed, dangerous and beautiful, has called Lyford Cay in The Bahamas his home for many years. It's a neighbourhood surrounded on three sides by Clifton Bay and the Atlantic Ocean, waters once brimming with majestic coral reefs, storey-tall sea fans, colourful tropical and deepwater fish that attracted divers and film producers from around the world. The bay and surrounding waters have

been stressed by industrial and commercial oil spills ever since Connery parked his golf bags and awards inside the door of his somewhat modest home not far from the shore. More recently, the waters have been affected by unregulated development, one of the platforms that gave rise to Save The Bays. In the few months since its establishment, Save The Bays has gained the support of hundreds, won more than 5,000 Facebook friends and fans and is garnering signatures by the hour on its petition to the Bahamian government to pass a Freedom of Information Act, require accountability for oil spills, stop unauthorised or unregulated development and pass an Environmental Protection Act. The organisation has also filed court action requesting a judicial review of matters it says have led to the threatened marine environment conditions. "In the movies, you may get a second chance," said Save The Bays Director

Fred Smith, QC, referring to the first Bond movie shot on Bahamian soil and in Bahamian waters, You Only Live Twice (1967). "In real life, we have to make this happen now, we have to save the bays for our children before it is too late and we have depleted the fish, conch and crawfish stock as other countries in the Caribbean have. This is the fight of our generation and adding the unmistakable voice of one of the greatest actors and heroes of our age, Sir Sean Connery, to the effort demonstrates the breadth, depth and urgency of the cause."

Six Bond movies have been shot in The Bahamas with the first one, Thunderball, starting in 1965 and while Connery has earned an Academy Award, two BAFTA Awards and three Golden Globes, none were for the role that positioned him as the dashing, daring, not-to-be-distracted superman. Connery won an Oscar for best supporting actor in The Untouchables.





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Save The Bays Director Joseph Darville

Darville Advises Rotarians about the Devastation in Bimini & The Bahamas

Passionate human rights activist and Save The Bays Director Joseph Darville engaged the members of Rotary's Grand Bahama Sunrise Club recently as he spoke about "Rape, Pillage & Wanton Destruction of Our Patrimony Heritage of Land & Sea."

Having just returned from Bimini, Darville shared his findings and educated the Rotarians about Save The Bays, the rapidly-growing group seeking legislative, judicial and behavioural change to protect the Bahamas environment. The group (originally named The Coalition to Protect

Clifton Bay) was established to fight the desecration of important marine environments in Nassau, particularly by private landowners and industry. Within months, it grew, joining forces with the support of other environmental groups and began an eco-partnership movement that has been nothing short of a groundswell. This led to the evolution of the name to Save The Bays to signify a spreading beyond Nassau to Bimini, Eleuthera and other threatened marina areas.

"Almost every island of The Bahamas faces potential damage due to develop-

ment and lack of regulations," said Darville, "and Save The Bays plans to visit them." Darville told Rotarians he witnessed firsthand the destruction of seabeds in Bimini as a result of construction that created the Bimini Bay Resort, being developed by the Genting Group.

"They have excavated millions of tons of the soft sea bed, endangering many species, all to create an embankment atop the narrow strip of sand and pine trees, all to build million dollar homes for second home owners," claimed Darville.



Save the Bays Files Legal Action Aimed at Reclaiming Crown Land

A new leading environmental group representing hundreds of supporters filed an action in the Supreme Court in May, seeking a judicial review process that could force government to shut down dredging at Nygard Cay and allow it to reclaim what it called Crown Land at Simms Point.

The debate over what has been called "unau-

thorised dredging of the seabed" at Simms Point, the residence of fashion mogul Peter Nygard, has brewed for some time and in 2010, the celebrity designer was ordered by the government to return the land to its original state. Tensions in the Lyford Cay community built as the Nygard property did, but this is the first time a legal action has been filed against Nygard. The

outcome of the action could cause the courts to decide what is to be done about what started out as a three-acre parcel that is now more than six acres with its expansion, detractors claiming, impacting Clifton Heritage Park, causing erosion and damaging the fragile coral reef that experts have said at one time was home to "the world's most beautiful elk horn coral."

The action was filed by Callenders law firm on behalf of Save the Bays (formerly Coalition to Protect Clifton Bay), the new umbrella organisation. Respondents include several government departments, the Town Planning Committee, Peter Nygard and Mr. Nygard's associate, former ambassador to the environment Keod Smith.



Romauld Ferreira

Ferreira Underlines Commitment to Environment at Rotary

Save the Bays continued its mission to sensitize the Bahamian public to the declining state of the country's marine environment with a presentation to the Rotary Club of West Nassau by environmental lawyer, Romi Ferreira this week.

Ferreira explained the lack of governing legislation to protect the environment in The Bahamas, consequently leaving marine ecosystems at risk. "Currently there is only one piece of

legislation that regards the environment in the Bahamas, the Environmental Health Services Act, and this is simply not enough."

The petition points of Save the Bays include the push for the government of The Bahamas to immediately pass an Environmental Protection Act and a Freedom of Information Act to protect all aspects of the environment and also to provide transparency between the government and the public.



Gone Fishing



Above: Southern Comfort releases a marlin. Photo credit Jonathan Wolff.

Cowpoke wins windy Treasure Cay BBC

Press Release

For the first three days of the Treasure Cay Championship, Cruiser Crews' team Cowpoke waged a seesaw battle for first place with the 2012 Bahamas Billfish Champion Fa-La-Me. In fact, when the Committee Boat called 'lines in' on the final day, both Cowpoke and Fa-La-Me had 2,100 points with Crews' team in first place based on time.

Day four started with Frank Rodriguez team Fa-La-Me picking up 600 points and jumping into the lead when Steve Butcher released a blue marlin at 9:30. Christy Crews on Cowpoke countered with a white marlin release at 10:07 and a blue marlin release at 1:59 in the afternoon. Cowpoke made it a 1,000 point day when Tony Huerta released another white marlin at 2:45.

During the four-day tournament, the 61 Viking, Cowpoke, caught and released three blue marlin, six white marlin and one sailfish for a total of 3,100 points. The win earned the Avon Park, Florida cattle rancher and his team a beautiful Randy Rich trophy and a \$1,000 gift certificate from Aqualuma Lighting. The trophies were presented by the tournament sponsors Bank of America Private Wealth Management and Bertram Yacht. Capt. Mike Brady and the crew of Cowpoke received Randy Rich acrylic trophies sponsored by the Lewis Marine Group.

Team Fa-La-Me finished second with a very respectable 2,700 points. The Winter Park, Florida team caught and released



Above: team Cowpoke, who won the Treasure Cay leg of the Bahamas Billfish Championship.

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nated to the Treasure Cay Primary School. The winner of the TCBT received an invitation to fish the IGFA Offshore World Championship. Sponsors included Rubis Bahamas, Ltd, Silver Airways and Treasure Cay Beach, Marina and Golf Resort. Co-sponsor/official weather provider was Weather Routing, Inc.

TCBT information, scoring, photos and the tournament magazine can be viewed at www.treasurecay.com and on the Treasure Cay Hotel Resort & Marina Facebook fan page, www.facebook.com/treasurecayresort.

Treasure Cay Beach Marina & Golf Resort offers 78 harbour side hotel rooms, including one, two or three bedroom suites, a 150-slip marina, a 3½-mile powdery white sand beach, an 18-hole golf course, four tennis courts, a swimming pool, Spinaker Restaurant, Tippy Seagull Bar, Coco Beach Bar, reception center and a beach gazebo available for sea-side weddings and other functions.

two blues, seven whites and one sailfish. The 70 Viking edged out the third place finisher, Blue Eagle, by a mere 100 points. Brad Jones' team Blue Eagle from Port Aransas, Texas caught and released three blues and four whites to finish with 2,600 points. In addition to custom designed Randy Rich trophies, the three winning teams also received gift certificates from Roffer's Ocean Fishing Forecasting Service (ROFFS) and bottles of Bacardi Anejo from Bacardi and Bristol Wine & Spirits.

Top Tournament Angler honors went to Luis Bacardi who will receive a Carey Chen artwork entitled 'Grand Slam' presented by ISR Marine Insurance and Smith-Merritt Insurance. All anglers in the 2013 BBC series are competing for the newly created Jim Lambert Memorial Trophy.

The trophy will be presented to the BBC's top angler. The presentation by ISR and Smith-Merritt will take place at the 40th Anniversary celebration during the Marsh Harbour Championship.

Despite extremely windy conditions all week, fishing action proved to be excellent for the BBC's third leg of 2013 hosted by the Treasure Cay Resort & Marina. Of the 51 billfish caught and released, 19 were blue marlin, 29 were white marlin and 3 were sailfish. BBC rules require that all releases be validated using time and date stamped digital images. Affidavits signed by all participants fishing on each team further confirms that the fish was released in accordance with IGFA and Bahamas Billfish Championship rules.

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on his vehicle and him.

It's a good thing I did; the dude jammed on brakes in front of me....AND OF COURSE HIS BRAKE LIGHTS DID NOT WORK. So I quickly jammed brakes as well. I thought all was fine and dandy until I had a hard jolt from behind. The person behind me, talking on a cell phone and busily dealing with other things did not see my brake lights or that I had slowed in the road. They completely rear ended my vehicle, mashing my bumper up underneath my vehicle and completely totaling the front end of their vehicle. The driver in front of us keeps going and gets out free, but myself and the other driver have to deal with police and car damages. Thanks a lot 'dude-who-had-to-slow-down-to-talk-to-Sweet-Gal-across-the-way!'

Completely and utterly ridiculous!

Well this concludes this edition of "What Really Grinds My Gears: Abaco Drivers"

I hope this edition is a real eye-opener to you BAD drivers out there and I hope it makes you have more respect and courtesy for fellow drivers.

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Sincerely,

Someone who knows how to drive

Junior Sailors Salute You

Dear Editor:

The Hope Town Junior Sailing Program would like to thank everyone who contributed to our successful 7th season of sailing instruction. We are looking forward to some more training and racing, and hope to have multiple successes at the National Championships as we show the rest of the country what Abaco can do.

We are very proud this year to have Branden Sands going off to Bermuda and Italy to compete in the North American Championships and then the Optimist World Championships, both in July. To learn more, and to support his campaign, look for "Branden Sands for Abaco" on Facebook.

We could not have done it without the continued support of the Hope Town Sailing Club. And a big thank you to all the committed parents who helped to keep things rolling.

This year we need to thank several Abaco businesses who have contributed towards our National Championship campaign. Julliette Deal at Out Island Eco provided us with some great products from their green catalogue. And several grocery stores pitched in: Maxwell's, Abaco Grocery, Harbour View and The Food Store. The adults would also like to thank Hope Town Wine and Spirits for helping us cope!

To all the boaters and ferry captains, thank you for watching out for our sailors in the busy harbour. We did have a few close calls!

Thank you Abaco!
Matthew McCoy
Head Instructor

Unfairly Terminated

Dear Editor:

This letter is to inform the public that I was working for a certain company on Guana Cay for nearly 5 years. I want the public and the Government to know how horrible I was treated for the amount of years I worked for this company.

I worked in the residential service department as a caretaker of private homes for second home owners who came here to The Bahamas to enjoy our beautiful sun, sand and sea. While I was working hard and putting all my effort to help build this company, working overtime, helping out in other departments and going to school at the same time to further my education, I was also training staff members for the company and in return they became my boss. The amount of work load that was put on me was unfair but I did my best to fulfill my duties and responsibilities, only to find out that I was not moving anywhere in the company.

After I completed my degree in Business Administration and a Diploma in Marketing Communications, I applied for a position in the company and was turned down as was told that I was not qualified but yet the job was given to someone who did not have a degree. It shows that favoritism and discrimination is at the highest level in this company. I am a 25 year old, respectable young man who wants to develop his educational skills, to grow and become someone in life.

The company terminated me for having a conversation with a partner because we were talking about my career path and I asked for a transfer to develop my educational skills. After they terminated me they refused to give me my compensation package because they said I did not follow

protocol which is not even in the company policy.

I want the Government to know that this company is not for the Bahamian people who want to grow in their career because of the way I got treated. It was not right and absolutely unfair. I want the Hon Perry Christie and the Member of Parliament, Shane Gibson, to know how this company has taken advantage of our Bahamian people on Great Guana Cay.

For too long foreign companies come into our country and bring in their people to work in positions that we Bahamians can do. Furthermore, this message will be broadcast to other media for a wider audience and, if need be, to higher authorities to know what has happened to me at Guana Cay.

Antonio Willmore

Reckless Driving

Dear Editor:

Just a little space in your paper for a short letter, if you can.

One thing I'd like to bring to the attention of the public and the police is that many drivers, including some taxis, have little or no regard for the lives of animals or humans.

How they speed! They refuse to slow down to even allow a little time to get out of the way!

I saw a neighbour's dog almost get hit a few days ago. Tomorrow it may be one of your relatives. Think!

Thank you and God Bless.

Yours,
Lee Lowe

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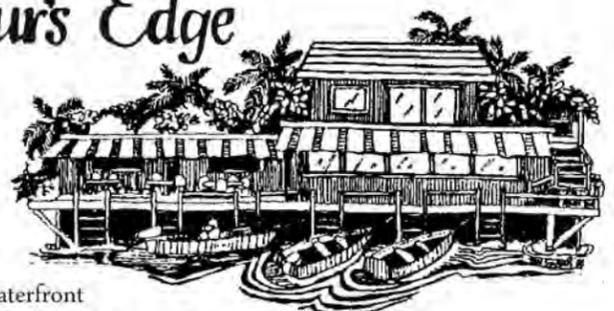
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Entrepreneur From Page 7

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Spend Less Variety Store

By Samantha Evans

Kermit and Nadia Curry are the proud owners of the Spend Less Variety Store in Murphy Town, which opened its doors a few months ago. Mr. Curry stated that his inspiration to open this store was his grandfather, the late Ben Curry, who always operated a convenience store in the community.

This store sells breadbasket items, household goods, snacks, lunch items, drinks, general hygiene items, watches, colognes, cosmetics, beauty supplies and some knob earrings for females. In the future, they will be selling DVDs as well.

They will carry retail and wholesale items. Kermit Curry stated that this store was open before in 2006 and operated as a beauty supply store. It was closed in 2008, when he relocated for a short while. He noted that this store is convenient for residents of this community as they can get basic items they need without having to drive

all the way to Marsh Harbour. To date, the response has been great and they are looking forward to becoming an important fixture in the Murphy Town community.

They are located on Murphy Town Blvd. next door to Native Shack. They are open seven days a week: Monday through Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., Sundays 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., and again from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Curry also has his drafting business operational out of this building. He can draw plans of any size, for any purpose. He is excited about the future of Abaco and can tell by the amount of business he has been attracting that his services are in great demand. He can be reached by calling 475-6852.

Shauna Ferguson's Professional Make Up Services

By Samantha Evans

Shauna Ferguson has roots on Abaco, though she currently spends a lot of time in Nassau perfecting her craft as a make-up artist. She believes that she is now equipped with the skills needed to beautify the faces of Abaconians everywhere. During the month of April, she launched her make-up services on the island, along with her availability to teach classes for those persons interested in learning how to apply make-up professionally.

She is available to provide make-up application services for large groups for weddings, funerals, photo shoots, proms, pageants and the like. Group sizes can be 15 persons or more. She is available during the week or on weekends. Ferguson is affiliated with Latisha's Hair and Beauty Supplies in New Providence, where she also invites persons to visit if they are there and need to get their make-up professionally done.

She will be offering classes during the summer months and invites high school graduates in particular to take advantage of

these classes so that they can learn a craft and become certified. She can be contacted by calling 636-5185 or 601-2010.

Creative Construction and Molding Company Limited

By Samantha Evans

The island of Abaco is growing by leaps and bounds, and with this thought in mind, Creative Construction and Molding Company was opened during the month of April. The motto of this company is, "Let Our Creative Hands Build Your Dreams." This company, led by contractor and skilled builder Dwight Walkins, plans to reinvent construction on the island of Abaco.

Mr. Walkins says this company is not only equipped to build structures such as homes, plazas, and resorts, as well as making concrete molding for the exterior of any building. These exterior moldings will add drama and richness to any structure they build, which they believe will make them the construction company to hire.

They are currently engaged in a project in Treasure Cay, which will begin to transform that community. Persons who are interested in learning more about what this company has to offer can contact Dwight Walkins at 475-3498.

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If you know of an entrepreneur just setting out in their business please contact us at abaconiannews@gmail.com or 367-3200.

If you are an established business and would like to sponsor the Entrepreneur Watch we would love to hear from you as well.

Dermatologist makes regular visits to Abaco

By Jennifer Hudson

It is Dr. Clare-Kleinbussink's desire for everyone to have great looking and healthy skin, hair and nails. She treats patients at her clinic in Roseona House, Seventh Terrace Centreville in Nassau. More importantly for Abaconians, she visits Marsh Harbour regularly every four weeks. She works out of Dr. Swarna's Abaco Pines Medical Clinic, seeing patients on Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Dr. Clare-Kleinbussink earned a B.Sc. from Lock Haven University, Pennsylvania, and a Medical Degree from the University of The West Indies. She then went on to earn a specialty diploma and Master's Degree in Dermatology with distinction from Cardiff University in Wales, U.K. She also has certification for anesthesiology in the United States and United Kingdom. She is a member of the Caribbean Association of Dermatology and is an Associate Lecturer in Dermatology at the University of the West Indies Nassau Campus.

All general dermatological conditions of skin, scalp and nails are treated by Dr. Clare-Kleinbussink, who performs minor procedures such as removal of unwanted warts, moles and skin tags, as well as skin cancers. She also offers cosmetic dermatology, which includes Botox, Juvederm and other skin products and peels. The most common complaints she sees are benign skin cancers, eczemas and acne. Also, she frequently deals with skin changes as a result of the overuse of bleaching creams.

"These creams have their place for a short period of time but continual use causes problems," she states.

Dr. Clare-Kleinbussink is a great proponent of sunscreen and urges everyone to use it. For Caucasian type fair skin she recommends a UVP of 40 and up, for mixed skin she recommends 20 and up, and for black skin she recommends at least 15. She stresses that contrary to what many people believe, black skin does need the protection of sunscreen because this skin type can also develop skin cancer.

Persons wishing to make an appointment with Dr. Clare-Kleinbussink may do so by calling Dr. Swarna at Abaco Pines Medical Clinic 367-2224 or by contacting her directly at 242-326-7657 or 426-3066 or email roseonahouse2010@yahoo.com. More information may be found on her website www.roseonahouse.com or on her Facebook page.

Dr. Clare-Kleinbussink has also published a book for parents entitled, "Pearls for a Baby's Skin." This deals with whatever skin ailments babies or children might present with, and how to use the medications.

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- Brigantine Bay - # 1559** - 16,108 s/f level, cleared parcel with 164' of bulk headed & protected water frontage. Dock & dolphin pilings installed. **\$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.**
- Brigantine Bay # 1598** - Cleared lots 1 & 2A, 19,300 s/f 130' bulkheaded frontage, new dock. **\$495,000.**
- Galleon Bay Canal Lot 10, Blk. 203 - # 1905** - large 18,330 s/f parcel, 91' bulkheaded canal frontage, 480 s/f garage & dock. All utilities available **\$399,000.**
- Galleon Bay - # 1441** - 28,075 s/f cleared parcel, 64' of bulkhead with dock & dock house. **\$389,000.**
- 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 Canal Lot 4 # - 1963** - 10,000 s/f cleared lot/w 80' seawalled canal frontage, New deep water sheltered "T" dock with power & water. **\$299,000.**
- Galleon Bay Canal Lot 34, Blk. 203 - # 2320** - Cleared 15,045 s/f parcel with 126' sea-walled canal frontage, dock with power & water, dolphin pilings. **\$275,000.**
- Brigantine Bay # 1494** - 18,807 s/f cleared parcel 120' deep water bulk-headed frontage. **\$270,000.**
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- #1173/1174 - Brigantine Bay Lots 7 & 8, Block 191** - 2 adjoining parcels, each 11,200 s/f with 80' seawalled canal frontage. All utilities available. **EACH \$249,000.**
- Sea of Abaco Lot 5, Rock Point - # 2543** - 11,700 s/f cleared lot/w 77' sea frontage. All utilities available **\$179,000.**
- Brigantine Canal # 1971** - 17,300 s/f parcel, 123' sea walled frontage, All utilities available, Sea of Abaco views. **\$149,000.**

TREASURE CAY

Treasure Cay Inland Parcels

- 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 Drive Inland Lot - #2036** - Prime residential lot # 17, close top Treasure Cay Beach. All utilities available. 10,000 s/f **\$77,850.**
- #2217 - Lot 78, Block 1** - Prime 10,000 sq. ft. parcel on Flamingo Dr. 80' road frontage. Near to beach & golf course. All utilities available. **\$49,995.**
- Inland Lot 7, Block 190, Galleon Bay Drive - # 2314** - 11,000 s/f corner parcel, Flamingo Crescent. All utilities available. Close to beaches. **\$49,000.**

GREAT CISTERN CAY

- # 2176 - "Rivendell"** - Rustic 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,284 s/f furnished beach cottage on 17,090 s/f parcel with 110' of Sea of Abaco frontage. **\$359,000.**
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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. **\$1,995,000.**
- Orchid Bay Beach Lot # 25 - # 1500** - 1.173 acre beach lot with 135' Atlantic Ocean beach frontage. Usage of Orchid Bay amenities. **\$1,499,000.**

- Sea View Lot K-82: # 2298** - 8,744 s/f lot located less than 200' from Sea of Abaco. Access to Atlantic Ocean beaches. **\$199,000.**

- "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.**

- Dolphin Beach Estates - Sea View Lot 88B - # 2223** - 19,000 s/f elevated parcel lot, just 100' from Sea of Abaco & 5 minute walk to Atlantic Ocean Beaches. **\$99,950.**

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- Inland Lot - Near Beach - # 2022** - Large 21,450 s/f choice corner lot on main road in Section 1. electricity & telephone available. 1,000' to beach. **\$59,000.**
- Inland Lot - Near Beach - # 1176** - Large 21,450 s/f level lot on main street, electricity & telephone available. **\$49,500.**
- Inland Lots 17 & 18, Blk. 4 # 1868** - 2 adjoining lots of 10,000 s/f each. Short walk to beach. **Each at \$27,500.**

TURTLE ROCKS

- Beach Home - 1532** - 3 bed, 3.5 bath elevated 2 level semi furnished home, 1,874 s/f under air, 1,500 s/f covered porches on 0.89 acres, 93' sandy beach frontage. Panoramic sea views. **\$650,000.**
- #2269 - Turtle Rocks West - 2.506** acre waterfront parcel extends from S.C. Boat Slip to Sea of Abaco, 148' hard rock shoreline. Good elevations, great sea views. **\$299,000.**
- Beach Lot "D"** - # 1815 - 0.94 Acre beach parcel with 120' of Sea of Abaco sandy beach frontage. Electricity & telephone available, great water views. **\$225,000.**
- Turtle Rocks South Beach Lot # 2195** - 2,395 Acre beachfront parcel with 120' sandy beach frontage. Extends from S.C. Boat Slip to Beach **\$369,000.**

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.**

NORTH ABACO

- Sugar Plantation 36: #2238** - Lovely 4 bed, 3 bath, 3 level 3,400 s/f tastefully furnished Sea of Abaco waterfront home, plus 1,000 s/f garage & guest house. Pool, private dock, boat lift. 21,926 s/f lot with 100' shoreline **\$995,000.**
- Blackwood Waterfront Parcel # 1521-38,514** s/f parcel, 167' deep water Sea of Abaco frontage & highway frontage. Ideal for a marina site. Utilities available. **\$98,500.**

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 **\$399,000.**
- "Island Reach" - Harbourfront & Sea View Lots # 1405** - Bluff side of White Sound - 11 residential hillside & protected harbour lots with majestic sea views. Various sizes from 12,600 s/f to 38,000 s/f. **Starting at \$119,000.**

SCOTLAND CAY

- #2198 - Waterfront Lot 7, Block "K"** : Large 34,993 s/f parcel with approx. 386' of Sea of Abaco frontage. Good elevation, adjacent to private harbour entrance. **\$485,000.**

MARSH HARBOUR

- Pelican Shores Harbourfront Home - # 1563** - 5 bed, 4.5 bath, 5,600 sq. ft. tastefully furnished home w/ pool & dock. Well maintained, superior quality construction, many extras. 1 acre +/- landscaped, 115' water frontage. **\$3,495,000.**
- Triplex, Murphy Town - # 2291**, 6 bed, 4 bath, 2,700 s/f complex on 8,000 s/f +/- parcel. Good rental income potential. **\$299,000.**

- "Regattas of Abaco 408 - #2009** 2 Bed, 2 bath 2nd level 1,200 sq. ft furnished condo w/laundry/utility room. Many upgrades, great harbour views. Good rental potential. Will finance with \$150.K Down. **\$275,000.**

- #2265 - Central Pines Duplex** - 2 bed, 2 bath each, 2,200 s/f total, built in 2006, CBS block construction, 12,000 s/f corner parcel. **\$180,000.**

- Regattas of Abaco # 27 - #1853** - 2 bed, 2 bath, 825 s/f 2nd level "turn-key" furnished condo near to beach, shops, marina, etc. **\$176,000.**

JOE'S CREEK

- Lot "B" - Joe's Creek Vicinity - # 2253**, Large 20,807 s/f lot adjacent to Leisure Lee, close to beach. Electricity, telephone & DSL available **\$50,000.**

LEISURE LEE

- 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.**
- #2213 - "Leisurely Times"** - 2 bed, 1 bath, 845 s/f furnished canal home on 12,100 s/f parcel w/110' bulkheaded canal frontage & 50' layalong dock. **\$299,000.**

Residential Parcels

- #130** - 22,949 s/f beachfront parcel with 365' of Sea of Abaco water frontage. Great Sea of Abaco views. Electricity, water, telephone & DSL internet at road boundary. **\$365,000.**
- # 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. **\$225,000.**
- #1593** - 10,590 s/f canal lot with 120' of bulkheaded seawall installed. All utilities available. **REDUCED TO \$149,000.**
- # 1080** - 12,100 s/f canal parcel with 110' sea walled canal frontage. Boat davits installed. **Reduced \$149,500.**
- #2054 - Lot # 204** - 10,590 s/f lot with 105' deep water canal frontage. All utilities available. **\$149,000.**
- Lot # 15 - Great Abaco Hwy - Near Leisure Lee - # 567** - 2.139 acre parcel w/ 50' elevation, 119' frontage on both highway & Coromont Pond. Utilities available. **\$129,000.**
- # 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 \$125,000.**
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Central & All Abaco

Pop's to be taken run by new owners

By Mirella Santillo

After running Pop's Place for over fifteen years, Mr. Willis 'Pops' Weatherford and his wife Gloria have decided to retire from the restaurant business and enjoy some well-deserved rest.

Pops has also ceded the management of the dog shelter to Leisa Plummer. Although he will still be remotely involved, she will be responsible for organizing volunteers, for receiving donations as well as taking care of dogs rescue and adoption.

"I needed a break from the shelter after running it for three years, explained Mr. Weatherford, "but I wanted to let people know that the shelter is alive and well and that there are lots of puppies ready for adoption."

Pop's Place opened in 1997 as a take-out focusing on rotisserie chicken. To cater to the local clientele, the restaurateur also added fried chicken, wings and nuggets with the traditional side dishes of macaroni, french fries and cole slaw.

Mr. Weatherford started his career in the food business by opening the Kentucky Fried Chicken in Nassau in 1966; then the

one in Marsh Harbour in 1978. After that he was off to Freeport, New York and back to Freeport, still working at the famous fast food restaurant.

"I spent forty seven years in the restaurant business", said Pops. "It is time for me to take some time off and relax, but I wanted to let people know that Pop's Place was closed and thank my customers for their patronage over the years.

The restaurant will reopen under new ownership, but it is not known yet under which name.

After relaxing until the end of the year, Pops plans to return to his hobby of building boat models out of wood. He also work with the local lime stone, making ashtrays, fountains and even garden tables.

Horticultural Society holds last meeting of the season

By Mirella Santillo

The Horticultural Society of The Bahamas-Abaco Branch's last meeting of the season took place on May 12 in the bucolic setting of Emerald Organics Ltd. Emerald Organics Ltd is a 75 acre fruit

and animal farm owned and run by Liann Key-Kaighin. It is located off Ernest Dean Highway, less than a mile past the Cherokee Road turnoff. Close to twenty people attended the meeting, attracted by the perspective of watching the newly born lambs.

Ms. Key-Kaighin welcomed the visitors, apologizing for the state of the farm which had been severely damaged by Hurricane Sandy last November, but which still looked well maintained, with mowed paths and areas. Next to a warehouse, a rose tree was loaded with red fragrant flowers that the hostess cut and distributed to the women present. As the group settled, a flock of ducks and chicken came running forward, knowing that a treat awaited them.

The meeting that day was opened by past President Shirley Higgs who immediately announced that votes would be taken for the election of next season's presiding board. She gave the names of the people who had been mentioned for the various positions and asked if anyone wanted to add someone else. No one did and all present approved the candidates for the new board. Next year's President will be Barbara Foreman followed by two Vice-Presidents: Jim Eastwood and Laine Snow. Mirella Santillo will remain as Secretary.

Replacing Ms. Foreman as Treasurer

will be Mary Murray. A new position has been added, that of Special Projects Officer. It will be filled by Nadeen Beneby. Gardener Jack Hardy remains the Auctioneer in Charge.

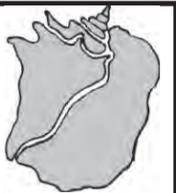
Before taking the group to the animal pens, Liann Key-Kaighin explained that because of the intensive damage to many fruit trees in the last couple of storms, among them numerous avocados and mangoes, she was now concentrating on raising animals rather than replacing the lost fruit trees.

22 lambs had been born during the previous days. As the group watched them, took photographs, pet them and fed the mothers treats of corn, the last pregnant ewe went in labor.

A visit to the fruit orchard was next. A few Mamey trees grown from mossier lined the path to a citrus plot salvaged from the embargo. Pomegranates and sugar apples had survived the storms and many guava trees were in bloom or already bearing fruit. The tour ended with a visit to the nursery, where the young fruit trees that had survived the hurricane could be purchased.



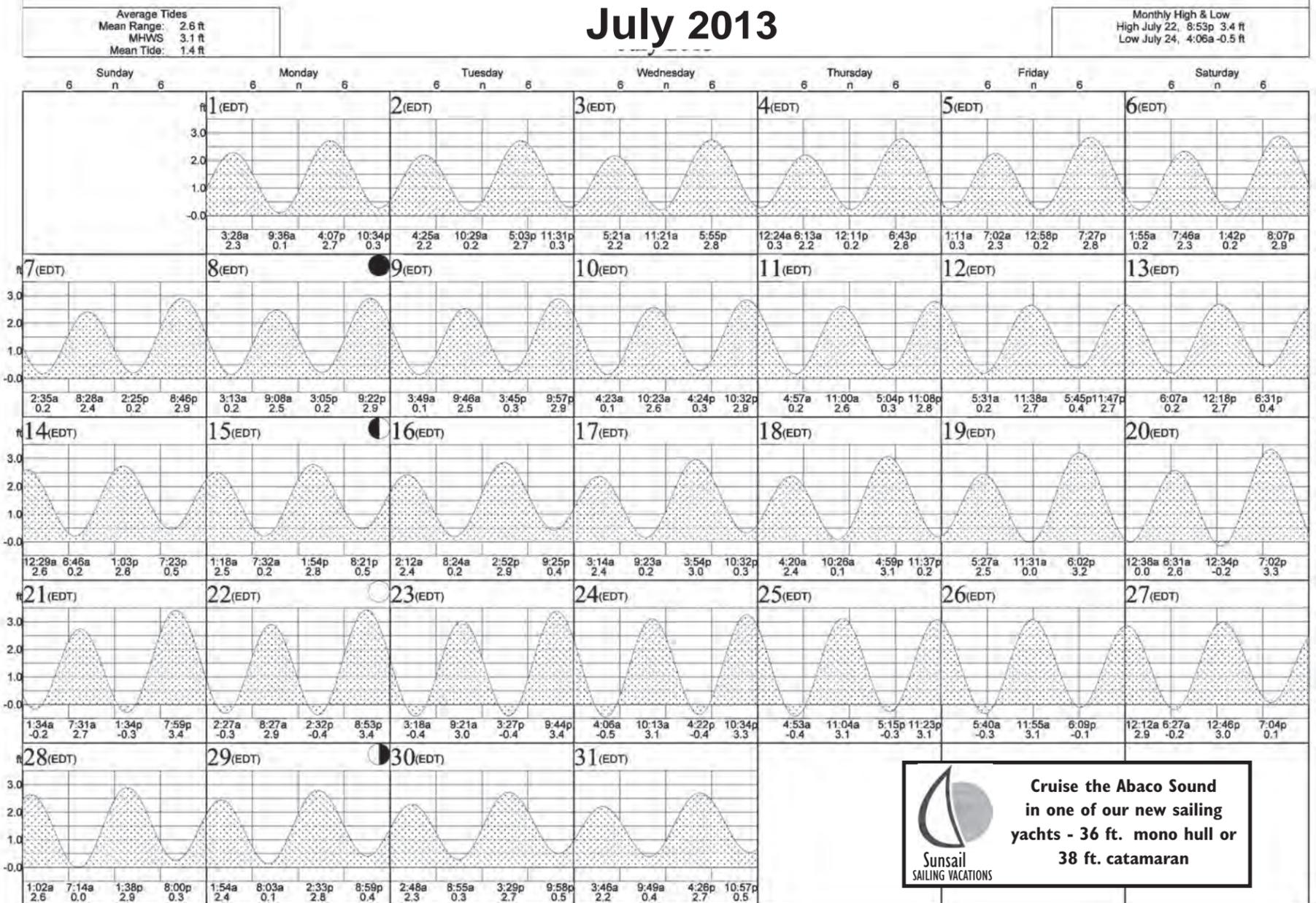
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Gone Fishing

BBC From Page 16

Through the cooperative efforts of the Bahamas Billfish Championship, BBC presenting sponsor Silver Airways, tournament sponsors Bank of America Private Wealth Management and Bertram Yacht, and Treasure Cay Resort & Marina, the tournament participants and the people of Abaco were treated to a free acoustical concert by country recording artist Colton James. More than 200 people packed the Tippy Seagull at Treasure Cay to enjoy the music of the 'Reel Water Cowboy.' Through his music, Colton James promotes the responsible enjoyment of our oceans. During the Treasure Cay Championship, 'angler' Colton James caught and released a blue marlin aboard the 63 Bertram Sharkbait.

Now celebrating its 40th anniversary, the Bahamas Billfish Championship is the oldest billfish tournament series in the world. Anglers can fish any or all of the tournaments with cumulative points determining the overall Bahamas Billfish Champions. The BBC endowed two scholarships that enable Bahamian students the opportunity to pursue a degree in marine biology or advanced education in the marine technologies.

For the very latest tournament information, results, overall standings or to register for the remaining tournament, visit www.bahamasbillfish.com. Or contact the Bahamas Billfish Championship at 866-920-5577 or e-mail: info@bahamasbillfish.com. Be sure to download the new BBC App for your Android or Apple device. Search 'Bahamas Billfish Championship' in the Google Play Store or Apple App Store.

Over \$550,000 awarded in Inaugural 2013 Abaco Beach Blue Marlin Invitational

By Timothy Roberts

The Inaugural 2013 Abaco Beach Blue Marlin Invitational was held May 4-7, 2013 at the Abaco Beach Resort & Marina, in The Bahamas where twenty-two of the top Boats, Anglers, Captains and Crews in the world competed for over \$550,000.

Wave Paver won the overall title and the top release boat. JR Davis, owner of the Wave Paver, was named top angler. Their catch of four blue marlins and one white marlin topped the field with 1750 points. Captain Russell Sinclair of the Waver Paver along with mates Jerry Owens, Ryan House and Jason Parker were the Top Captain & Crew. They were presented with numerous trophies from Gray Taxidermy, an original painting from Carey Chen, a Wet Spot unit, along with a check for \$163,320 that included many of the jackpot categories.

The largest blue marlin was 727 pounds and was caught aboard Flight Plan by Joe Ferro, along with his team of Chris Peyerk, Chris Shea and Captain Casey Hunt, mates Chris Meek and Stan Hunt. Their 727 pound blue marlin along with two other blue marlin releases put them in 2nd place overall and was worth \$165,060.

The second largest marlin weighed in at 507 pounds and was caught on the Fa La Me by angler/owner Frank Rodriguez, along with Captain Robbie Moore,



Above: Capt. Chuck Harris and the crew of "Island Time" sport bright pink to raise awareness for breast cancer. All of their proceeds from winning is going to the National Breast Cancer Foundation.

crewmembers Tyler & Taylor Beckford and Dave Berard. They brought home a check worth \$99,900 for that marlin and other jackpots.

The JICHI, placed 2nd in the release jackpot and 3rd place overall, and they took home a check for \$66,240. 3rd place release jackpot went to the WEEZ IN THE KEYS and a check for \$39,600.

Island Time, a boat run by Chuck Harris who is a resident at the Abaco Club in Marsh Harbour, won the trophy for the largest Wahoo. Harris and crew were fishing for a cause and all proceeds of their winnings will go to the National Breast Cancer Foundation. "It's not just about having fun, but it's about being able to give back," he said.

The owners, captains and crews were welcomed by that air conditioned tent and an awesome kick-off party at Abaco Beach Resort & Marina who hosted the tournament. Thanks to a variety of sponsors the tournament committee was able to provide breakfast sandwiches and a special greeting every afternoon when the boats tied up.

The awards dinner was really well received as every boat and team attended to congratulate the winners and to enjoy some great food. The owners, captains and crews gave the tournament committee and Abaco Beach Resort a standing ovation

at the end and big things are expected for next year's tournament.

The tournament was organized out of the requests and wishes of boat owners, captains and crew and was attended by twenty-three boats. At the end of the tournament participants were given a survey to fill out to ensure the tournament continues in the direction that they desire.

Manny Alexiou, part owner of Abaco Beach Resort & Boat Harbour, said he is seeing economic recovery as the fishing tournaments are slowly returning to Abaco. "It's good for us; it's good for Abaco because on lay days they go into town and it trickles down to everybody" he said. "Then it gets in the paper and on social media and reminds people of the good-ol-times and encourages them to come back."

During three days of fishing there were 53 billfish caught - 32 blue marlin, 17 white marlin and 4 sailfish.

Fishing for charity at the Custom Shootout

By Timothy Roberts

The Custom Shootout, a sport fishing tournament that raises money for charities, held their twelfth tournament in The Bahamas and for the second time at Abaco Beach Resort and Boat Harbour in Abaco from May 15-18 with thirty nine custom built boats.

Capturing the overall title in the 2013 Custom Shootout was Reel Pushy, a 70' Spencer. The race from the edge had four boats chasing the title this year but in the end, Ravaganza (Jarrett Bay) edged out the Hit & Run, the Reel Pushy and the Two Cats.

Tournament organizer Captain Frank 'Skip' Smith said that the Custom Shootout came to life after 9/11 happened in the United States. "We thought it was a good way to raise money to give back. So we got the custom builders to come together and starting in January 2002 a small tournament of about 17 boats came together at Chub Cay."

Over the years they have contributed to a variety of different charities including this year's primary recipient which is the National Breast Cancer Foundation. The tournament also shares some of the funds raised with local charities as well.

Ten or twelve of the top boat builders come in for the tournament as well as the major sponsors of the event and they interact with the boat owners and captains

REGATTA TIME IN ABACO

SCHEDULE

Wed 3rd, July - Cheeseburger Party - Fiddle Cay, Green Turtle Cay
Thurs 4th, July - Race 1 - Green Turtle Cay - Awards at Bluff House
Fri 5th, July - Layday - Party at Coco Beach Bar & Grill in Treasure Cay
Sat 6th, July - Race 2 - Treasure Cay to Guana Cay - Awards and Party at Guana Grabbers
Mon 8th, July - Race 3 - Guana Cay to Marsh Harbour Race - Awards at Crossing Beach
Tues 9th, July - Race 4 - Marsh Harbour to Hope Town Race
Awards at Hope Town inn & Marina
Wed 10th, July - Layday - Party at Lubbers Landing, Lubbers
Thurs 11th, July - Race 5 - Hope Town Race - Final Awards Party at Sea Spray Resort

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Custom From Page 21

and together aid in raising funds for well deserving charities.

During the three days of fishing there were 55 billfish released – 16 blue marlin, 33 white marlin 5 sailfish and 1 spearfish.

Capt. Skip said that everyone attending the tournament events had a great time. “Abaco Beach Hotel and Boat Harbour Marina was an awesome host as they hosted the kickoff party, the Friday night “Honor the Boat Builder” party and then the Awards Party Saturday night.”

Among the custom builders attending and supporting the tournament were John Whitar of Whitar Boats, Michael Rybovich of Rybovich and sons, Paul Spencer of Spencer Yachts, Roy Merritt of Merritt Boats, Dominick LaCombe of American Custom Yachts, Jim Floyd (F&S boats) and John Bayliss (Bayliss Boat works).

According to Capt. Skip, the tournament director, “The fishing was great, the weather was great and the food was great. The staff here at the Abaco Beach Resort did a great job. Combine that with these custom boat owners and their crews and we had one of the best tournaments in the world again this year.”

A stunning awards banquet, with a lot of really outstanding food, was held in the air-conditioned tent at the Abaco Beach Resort and Marina. The tournament coordinators gave commemorative plaques to each tournament sponsors in recognition for their support of the tournament. The Reel Pushy team of Robert Baker, Jimmy Fields, and Denny Doyle and accepted the First Place trophy, a beautiful sculpture by Ken Ulberg.

Fifth Annual Green Turtle Cay Lionfish Derby set for June 22

Teams will win over \$5,000 in cash prizes for removing the invasive species

By Keri Kenning, REEF (Communications and Affiliate Program Manager)

Bobbie Lindsay saw her first lionfish off a dock in Green Turtle Cay in 2008, and she knew it did not belong in this ocean. Shortly after, a lionfish stung one of her friends while diving. The swelling made his forearm as big as Popeye’s. Fueled by his pain and the knowledge that lionfish were devouring Bahamian fish populations, Lindsay decided to stab back at lionfish.

“Something has to be done.”

“Let’s make a cash tournament for killing them.”

A couple of phone calls later, Lindsay teamed up with the Reef Environmental Education Foundation (REEF) and launched the world’s first invasive lionfish derby.

On June 22, teams from around the region will flock to the Green Turtle Club to hunt in the 5th Annual Green Turtle Cay Lionfish Derby. Their mission: remove lionfish. Their reward: over \$5,000 in cash prizes for bringing in the most lionfish, largest lionfish, and smallest lionfish.

What would possess teams to go out and decimate a fish population? The invasive species are voracious predators that threaten marine ecosystems by devouring over 70 species of native fish and invertebrates. Defended from predators by 18 venomous spines, lionfish rule the reefs and reproduce as often as every four days,

year round. And they taste delicious.

“Lionfish are the Atlantic ecosystem’s worst nightmare,” says Lad Akins, co-organizer of the derby and Director of Special Projects at REEF. “They are eating machines covered in venomous spines. Unstoppable, until divers began intervening.”

Hopes are high for the fifth annual lionfish derby at the Green Turtle Club. Divers removed 1,408 lionfish in a single day during the first annual lionfish derby in 2009. In the past four years, teams have rounded up a total of 4,411 lionfish in Green Turtle Cay derbies.

Research from the 2012 derby showed divers put a huge dent in the local lionfish population. Researchers from Oregon State University and REEF assessed the lionfish population in the Sea of Abaco surrounding Green Turtle Cay immediately before and after the derby. The data suggest derby participants removed almost 70% of the local lionfish population over an area of 150 square kilometers.

“Based off this research, we have learned divers can make a huge difference,” says Dr. Stephanie Green of Oregon State University. “We are excited to repeat the research again this year, and we expect to see another great reduction.”

The Bahamas Department of Marine Resources has facilitated these events by issuing a single-day exemption to use compressed air for lionfish removals during the derby. The Bahamas Ministry of Tourism, Green Turtle Club and Marina, Brendal’s Dive Center, REEF, and individual donors from Palm Beach County, Florida, have also added financial or logistical support.

Besides removing significant numbers of lionfish, derbies are also critical for gathering samples for scientific research, increasing education and awareness, help-

ing develop a commercial market for lionfish, training divers in removal techniques, and encouraging regular year-round removals.

“We are thrilled to host the 5th Annual Lionfish Derby,” Lindsay says. “We have many skilled teams participating this year. It’s going to be the best derby yet.”

The scoring, awards, and festivities will begin late in the afternoon on Saturday, June 22 at the Green Turtle Club. All are welcome to watch the scoring and taste lionfish samples. Teams wanting to participate in the derby should preregister at www.REEF.org/lionfish/derbies and plan to attend the Captain’s Meeting at the Green Turtle Club on Friday, June 21 at 5:30 pm. To learn more about the derby, visit www.REEF.org/lionfish/derbies.

BBC finale gears up in Marsh Harbour

Press Release

As has been the case many times over the past 40-years, the Bahamas Billfish Champion is decided at the final tournament of the season. This year is no exception.

The good fishing at the Treasure Cay Championship has bolstered the number of boats fishing the Marsh Harbour Championship next week. The top teams are not only vying for the BBC title but also the specially designed 40th Anniversary BBC ring presented by Abaco Gold, and a Steve Goione original artwork of the BBC’s 40th anniversary logo.

There is added enthusiasm for the final tournament this year as the BBC celebrates its 40th anniversary. A full schedule of ‘40th anniversary reunion’ festivities run throughout the week. The tournament sponsors Bank of American Private Wealth Management, ISR Marine Insurance and Smith-Merritt Insurance have been joined by Aqualuma Lighting, Bertram Yacht, CAT Marine Power, Hatteras, HMY Yacht Sales, MarineMax, and Viking to ensure that everyone will have a great time during the week-long celebration.

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20 minute ride

7:15 / 10:30am / 12:15pm / 2:30pm* / 4:00pm / 5:45pm

*Except Sundays and Holidays

Man-O-War to Marsh Harbour

8:00am / 11:30am / 1:30pm / 3:15pm* / 5:00pm

*Except Sundays and Holidays

Marsh Harbour to Scotland/Guana Cay

30 minute ride

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Scotland/Guana Cay to Marsh Harbour

8:am / 11:30am / 2:30pm / 4:45pm / 6:30pm

Any stops outside the main harbour will be a minimum charge of two persons. Two persons or over will remain at regular charge.

During the month of August through December there are some adjustments made to the schedule. You are advised to contact the office for any changes.

REGULAR FERRY FARES

One Way: \$17.00

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Spanish Cay Marina	75	F	365-0083
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Noel Lowe	366-2107	Terrance Davis	375-8550
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Rick Sawyer	365-4261
Ronnie Sawyer	365-4070

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Maitland Lowe	366-0234
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David Albury	365-6502
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North Abaco

O'Donald McIntosh	477-5037
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Sandy Point

Valantino Adderley	366-4323
Anthony Bain	366-4107
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Nicholas Roberts	366-4486

Treasure Cay

Capt. Joe Pritchard	559-9117
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Marsh Harbour

Abaco Pizza	\$	367-4488
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Cracker P's	\$\$	366-3139
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Man-O-War

Bradley's on the Harbour	\$	365-6380
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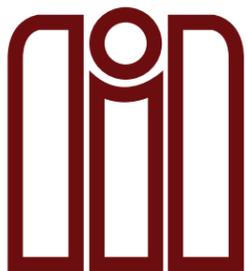
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PM speaks at ECC graduation



On June 10, 2013 Every Child Counts graduated 13 students. The key note speaker of the event was Prime Minister Christie. Mr. Christie spoke of his own struggles and encouraged the children to never give up. Mr. Christie has a special needs child and so has been a long-time supporter of the school. He commended Principal Lyn Major and the school's faculty and community supporters, saying the school is a model that should be replicated throughout the country. For the full story see page 8.



Above: some Sandy Point youth proudly displaying their medals won during the Youth Weekend which took place May 31-June 2.

Sandy Point youth enjoy organized weekend of fun

By Jennifer Hudson

The first Sandy Point Youth Weekend took place during the weekend of May 31 – June 2. According to one of the organizers, Valeria Lightbourne, this was a real community effort by people of the area wanting to provide positive activities for the children. “We were shocked at the number of supporters who turned out. The young people are obviously looking for things to do,” she stated.

The event was open to all school children from Sandy Point and was organized by a committee comprised of members from Sandy Point's three churches: St. Martin's Anglican Church, Mt. Zion Baptist Church and the Assemblies of God Church. The theme for the three day event was 'Uniting Our Community One Youth at a Time.'

The children were divided into three teams for all of the weekend activities – Blue Marlins, Yellow Elder and Sting Rays. Several competitions were held with Blue Marlins emerging as the overall winner with Sting Rays in second place and Yellow Elder coming in third.

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Activities began on the Friday night with a Bible quiz and speech competition held at the Assemblies of God Church. The topic for the speech competition was 'The contribution to the community by the elders of Sandy Point'. The children chose the person they would like to talk about from such stalwarts as Captain Ernest Dean, Theophilus Thompson, Virgie Lightbourne and Lottie Pinder.

Winners in the speech competition were:

- Grades 7-9
- 1. Dominique Miller
- 2. Kaisha Pinder

Grades 10-12

- 1. O.J. Scott
- 2. Zino Delancy
- 3. Lynette Burrows

Winners in the talent competition were:

- Grades 1-3: Sting Rays
- Grades 4-6: Yellow Elder
- Grades 7-9: Blue Marlin
- Grades 10-12: Blue Marlin

Winners of the Bible quiz were:

- Grades 1-3:
- 1. Sting Rays
- 2. Blue Marlins
- 3. Yellow Elders

- Grades 4-6:
- 1. Yellow Elders
- 2. Blue Marlins
- 3. Sting Rays

The children enjoyed a surprise appearance by guest performer D.J. Counselor.



Above: members of the Blue Marlin team were victorious at the end of Sandy Point's Youth Weekend. Organizers intend this to be the start of an annual event.

On Saturday the scheduled program had to be modified due to heavy rain. The float parade was postponed and all the children were taken to the Sandy Point Community Centre for a day of fun and games. The rain did not dampen anyone's spirits and a great day of fellowship and food was enjoyed by all.

The float parade was held on Sunday from the government dock to Mount Zion

Baptist Church where a service was held with presentation of awards. The overall winner for the entire weekend was Blue Marlins followed by Sting Rays and then Yellow Elder.

"The first annual Sandy Point Youth Weekend was a great success and everyone is now looking forward to the next one," stated Valeria Lightbourne.

Fifteen Graduates participated in Agape's Eleventh Commencement Exercise

By Mirella Santillo

Entering the auditorium through the center, fifteen graduates made their entrance. One by one they marched under the approving eyes of dignitaries such as Edison Key, MP for South Abaco and his wife Kathleen, Administrator Preston Cunningham, and District Superintendent of Education, Dr. Lenora Black.

During a long ceremony that took place during the evening of June 1, 2013, Agape Christian School celebrated its Eleventh Commencement Exercise. Following the invocation by Kevin Sawyer, the father of one of the graduates, and the welcome address by Salutatorian Ebony Bass, the MC, Troy Albury proceeded to announce the individual achievements of each graduate. Many were awarded for maintaining an A average in Bible Memory. They all made the Good Behavior Honour Roll and nearly the whole class was rewarded for perfect attendance.

Agassi Sounders was mentioned for being the most improved student of grade 12.

They were addressed by Zaly Chu, one of their home room teachers, who jokingly commented on the personalities of her students and advised the parents to listen to their children.

"Kids will be kids no matter where you go, but they need to be heard," she

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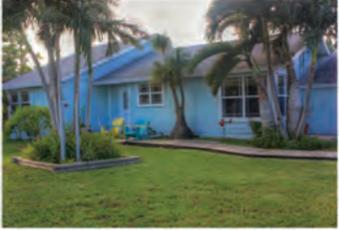
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said, before emotionally congratulating her students.

The Principal, Cecile M. Albury, presented the awards to the two Salutatorians, Ebony Bass and Michaela Roberts and to the Valedictorian and Head Prefect, Brionna Russell. In her address to the audience, Brionna reminisced on the past school year, gave advice to the class, and told her friends how much she will miss them. She announced that she would be traveling to Ecuador to represent Miss Teen Bahamas Earth before going to college in Tallahassee next January. She expressed her gratitude to her parents and the school faculty for their support during the school year.

The subject awards were presented by Deputy Head of High School, Kathy Sawyer. Brionna placed first in Art, Biology, Computer Science, Literature and Language. She also received the mention of outstanding student in Science Combined. Ebony Bass also competed in a beauty pageant, placing second in the Miss Abaco Pageant. She gathered quite a few second places academically also, in Art, Religious Study, Bookkeeping, Language, Mathematics and History.

The winners in Physical Education were Jaron Cornish, one of the top five basketball players in the country, and Ashton Forbes. Both students will be continuing their studies on scholarships. Jaron, a Mount Hope resident who commuted to school every day and managed to be at the very top of his class in Mathematics and Bookkeeping, will be going to college in Florida on a basketball scholarship.



Above: Agape's graduating class of 2013.

Ashton Forbes will also go to school in the United States on a Track & Field and Football scholarship.

Another student to be mentioned was Perkell Collie. Perkell placed first in Combined Science, second in Computer Science and first in Geography.

Students who made the Honor Roll were Jaron Cornish and Christopher Sawyer.

Chante Bassden, Ebony Bass, Perkell Collie, Michaela Roberts and Brionna Russell made the Super Honour Roll, maintaining an A average during the entire school year.

Ms. Albury and Ms. Sawyer delivered a teary Administrators's address under the theme, "Pressing On to the High Calling," inviting the audience to, "celebrate our graduates, hailing from Sandy Point, Bahama Palm Shores, Man O War Cay, Marsh Harbour, Dundas and Murphy Town, Green Turtle Cay, Cooper's Town and Mount Hope."

A former teacher, Steven Bill, was

the keynote speaker. He compared people's lives to a good book, which to be interesting must comprise four elements: it must have a character that we want to cheer, that principal character has to want something worthy not just materialistic, there has to be conflict or opposition, and finally a resolution.

"Tonight, you are living the resolution", he told them. "Four years from now, you will be receiving a Bachelor's degree or perhaps be in school in Thailand. Create a scene in your mind of what it will look like."

The third and fourth place students, Christopher Sawyer and Jaron Cornish presented the vote of thanks inviting the teachers to the stage to receive appreciation gifts.

As students joined their parents and their teachers in the audience, there were many hugs and tears. Tears of joy celebrating accomplishments, but also of sadness as the occasion meant the end of a life chapter and an upcoming separation.

GGYA's Bronze Completion Award presented to twenty six students

By Mirella Santillo

On the evening of June 4, twenty six students from three local schools- SC Bootle, Abaco Central High School and Forest Heights Academy- were awarded their Governor General's Youth Award (GGYA) Bronze Completion.

The ceremony took place at St. John the Baptist Parish Hall in front of a full audience of parents, teachers and dignitaries.

Orchestrated by Unit Leader and Principal of Forest Heights Academy, James Richard, the evening proceeded with the singing of the National Anthem, a prayer and a welcome address by Everette Mackey, Treasurer, GGYA National Council.

Three students from Forest Heights Academy, six students from Abaco Central High School and seventeen youths from SC Bootle High School, proudly received their certificates of completion.

Administrator Preston Cunningham, who was the guest speaker, praised the value of the program, saying that the children's involvement in GGYA will bring change for good in the areas where they live. He also praised the people responsible for bringing GGYA to Abaco.

"I hope this program will go a long way in instilling in you a sense of responsibility and self-motivation." he told the

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children, adding that he was happy at having to hand them out their awards.

The ceremony continued with a video presentation relating the history of GGYA, beginning with its creation in Nassau in 1987 and its expansion to other islands of the archipelago. There are now forty nine units in The Bahamas with 1,658 active participants.

The organization celebrated its twenty fifth anniversary in 2012.

The National Executive Director, Denise Mortimer, acknowledged each group leader by name. Besides Mr. Richard, also present were Michelle Bailey, leader of the Abaco Central High School group, and Kalwashan, leader of the SC Bootle contingent. She praised them for their dedication and thanked all the volunteers who helped with the program. She then organized photo-taking, having each school's students posing with their leader, the administrator and members of the delegation from Nassau.

To receive the Bronze Award, the students were required to participate for three months in physical recreation, in skill activities for three months; to enter an adventurous journey of two days- one night hiking for 15 miles or more and camping; to do community service for three months and keep a diary, plus another three months in either physical recreation, skill or service.

Kiwanis Club hosts Leadership Training

By Samantha Evans

The Kiwanis Club of Abaco, under the direction of the Secretary, Neulessa Major, held their first leadership conference on June 1 at the Treasure Cay Community Center. The training was held for Kiwanis students and children and the Community Key Clubs of Abaco Central High, St. Francis de Sales and S. C. Bootle High Schools.

There were 20 high school students and 25 primary school kids. President of the Abaco Kiwanis Club, William Davis, was in attendance and brought remarks. He stated that the Community Key Clubs will be chartered in the new school year along with the start of the "Reset 242 Program" here on the island.

Leading the training seminar was The Kiwanis District Youth Administrator, Melford Clark. He was assisted by Joan Knowles-Turnquest President-Elect for the Kiwanis Club of Cable Beach and "K-kids" of Oakes Field Primary. The presenters explained the structure of both clubs, the awards they can receive and competitions they can take part in, as well as the role of each executive officer.

The seminar ended with a luncheon at the public beach. In attendance were Cindy Hollingsworth, Cecil Simon, Cindy Lowe, Enzil Cooper, Christine Brown, and Paul Knowles - the club advisors.

Twelve graduate from Long Bay High School

By Samantha Evans

"Follow Your Dreams," was the theme chosen by the 2013 Graduating Class of Long Bay School. Their graduation was held on June 6 at 7pm at the school. It began on time with the procession of graduates and teachers followed by the prayer and welcome.

Afterwards, the Grade 6 graduates sang R. Kelly's "I Believe I Can Fly." Jacqueline Collie, school principal, then gave her address which included her giving a charge to the graduates. She stated that over the years she has gotten to know each of them and know that they are courageous with their own personal stories to tell. She encouraged them to have a game plan as they begin their new career path.

She reminded them that they will make mistakes in their careers and life but they need to figure out how to handle setbacks. Education is that vehicle that will get them back on track.

Before the guest speaker engaged the students, the Grade 12 graduates sang Kirk Franklin's new song "Smile." Following their song, Pastor and President of South Bahamas Conference of Seventh Day Adventist, Paul Scavella, spoke to the Grade 12 graduating class. He told them that the song they sang is most fitting as the world has changed and is now a very complicated place. Further, God wants them to smile so he appealed to them not to let anyone steal their joy.

He encouraged each of them to attend college as it will increase their chances of having the type of life they desire and open more doors for employment. He gave them four principles that will keep them smiling and that were exemplified by Daniel before he became successful. He explained each of the principles to the graduates.

He told them to know their purpose, pray, have perception then God will bless them with power. He told them that once they find their purpose they will have peace. Prayer is an intimate talk with God while allowing him to talk back. He stated

that they will need to have a discerning spirit which they can develop with the help of the Holy Spirit. Finally, once they have the first three "Ps" God will endow them with power once they can prove that they can handle it wisely.

The class salutatorian, Ashley Aranha, and valedictorian, Aleisha Gomez, gave their speeches followed by the distribution of awards. Ashley expressed gratitude to the parents and teachers and Aleisha reflected on the friendships they have made and the memories they will cherish. The graduates received awards for excellence and improvement in core as well as specialty subjects based on their grade 12 academic performance.

Aleisha Gomez received the valedictorian award based on her accumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) for grades 10 through 12 but Ashley Aranha received the highest GPA Award for grade 12. The Character Award was given to Darlene Anee, Issachar Baillou and Toniska Russell. The Raising the Bar Award was given to Toniska Russell, Ashley Aranha, Darlene Anee and Richa Munroe.

The head boy and head girl received awards for their service and the graduates received their high school diploma. The grade six students received their awards for this school year and special awards of distinction. Samuel Collie was recognized for being named the student of the year for his school and receiving \$1000 Award from the Primary School Student of the Year Foundation in New Providence.

The names of the 2013 graduates are: Darlene Anee-graduate with special honours, Ashley Aranha-Deputy Head Girl and graduate with distinction, Issachar Baillou-Deputy Head Boy and graduate with special honours, Deante Bain-graduate with honours, Khandisha Bain-graduate with special honours, Mauria Etienne-graduate with honours, Lusemra Gay, Aleisha Gomez-graduate with distinction, Richa Munroe-graduate with honours, Toniska Russell-Head Girl and graduate with distinction, Ozeke Swain-graduate with honours, and Mark Wright-Head Boy and graduate with special honours.



Above: some of Abaco's GGYA students with leaders and dignitaries during the award ceremony on June 4. The Bronze Completion Award entails months of demonstrating different skills including hiking, camping and community service.



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Bahamas Union of Teachers members bid farewell to Area Vice President

By Samantha Evans

On Saturday June 1, the Bahamas Union of Teachers (B.U.T.) held a Teacher Appreciation Luncheon at Bahama Palm Beach in Treasure Cay. At this time, they also said farewell to outgoing Area Vice President for the Northern Bahamas, Yolanda Curry, who will not be seeking re-election.

The atmosphere was jovial as many teachers were in attendance for the function. Ronnie Henderson gave a special tribute to Ms. Curry and thanked her for being such a wonderful friend, teacher and Area Vice President. Union President Belinda Wilson took time to give remarks stating that Ms. Curry was very passionate about this role and did her best to keep teachers informed of what was happening nationwide with the union.

She thanked her for being such a great person to work with and wished her all the best in her role as Principal of Fox Town Primary School. She also took the time to ask teachers for their support during the upcoming B.U.T. elections.

Stephen Mcphee, leader of the Restoration Alliance was also in attendance and praised Ms. Curry for a job well done. He stated that he knows that she will continue to excel as Principal of her school and support the B.U.T. as a member.

As a part of this celebration, the teachers sang and socialized over a scrumptious meal. The event began at noon and ended around 3pm.

Abaconian graduates summa cum laude from Palm Beach Atlantic

By Samantha Evans

Twenty-one year old Taj Anderson graduated summa cum laude from Palm Beach Atlantic University with a 4.0 Grade Point Average on May 4, having completed the Bachelor's Degree Program in Biology in three years. According to his mother Marcia Roberts, Taj has always been an excellent student. He graduated from Forest Heights Academy as Valedictorian and continued that excellent streak when he went away to college.

She added that the professors at his college were so fond of her son that they did not want to see him leave but if he is to become a medical doctor, his journey must continue. Due to his outstanding academic achievements, Taj is now being sought after by many colleges and universities but his Ms. Roberts believes that he will attend the University of the West Indies to pursue his medical degree. She is proud of her son and knows that whatever college or university he selects that he will do well.

Taj received the QEP award for taking more classes than required for his program and "Who is Who" honours while at Palm Beach Atlantic University.

Miss Teen Bahamas Galaxy donates to Every Child Counts

By Samantha Evans

Aisha Jones, Miss Teen Bahamas Galaxy, made a donation of a Wooden Loom she made to Every Child Counts. This wooden loom was made for her BGCSE last year along with some other pieces for which she received an "A."

When she visited the school the day before to speak with the students, she noticed that they made a lot of items, one of which had the Cancer Awareness Logo affixed to it so she told the high school students that she would donate her piece to the school as she too promotes Cancer Awareness.

She presented the wooden loom to Principal Lyn Major who loved the creativity and size of the piece stating that it will be hung in the Art Department to inspire the students to continue letting their creative juices flow.

ACHS students celebrate their heritage through Arts and Crafts

By Mirella Santillo

Following the theme, "Celebrating our Native Heritage," the art teacher at Abaco Central High School, Stacia Pitt, asked her students to create pieces that were decorative and functional using at least 50 percent natural materials. The teacher had them build a loom that was

used to create woven decorative hanging works and smaller pieces used to accent other creations.

Drift wood, shells, coconut bark and other coconut parts as well as recycled jean fabric were found in the compositions.

20 students took the BGCSE examination, with 14 of them manufacturing craft items and the other six expressing their artistic talent through drawing and painting. Of the 12 students taking the BJC, two opted for crafts and nine for drawing and painting. The craft pieces were displayed in the class room. An examiner came to Abaco from Nassau at the end of May to look at them and grade them.

Each student had their own display corner to show their work, work that demonstrated a lot of imagination not only in the illustration of the theme but also in the use of the material they chose. Britney McHardy recycled plastic spoons that she painted a deep pink color that reminded her of spring, to create three round frames, one containing a photo of herself, another a capital letter B and the third a mirror. The title: Spring Reflection.

Cloder St. Fleur used zinc that he painted in gold, using nails to carve the details of two sun masks. Cloder became an A student, a feat that Ms. Pitt attributed to the young man finding himself through creativity. He achieved the top of his group in calligraphy and was praised for it. She explained that when he discovered his potential through art, his attitude and academic achievement changed completely for the better.

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Tied-dyed fabric was a media favoured by a couple of girls, Britney McHardy among them. Her beach outfit came first in an exhibition sponsored by the Ministry of Education in Nassau. The other, Christian Adderley, tie-dyed a cotton bed cover. Papier-mâché was favored by 12 grader Francly Joseph who made a large flower pot with processed newspaper.

Drift wood was used in a lot of compositions; it was often painted or varnished and decorated with leaves, shells or other natural items. Charlton Walker saw an elephant in a large driftwood piece and turned it into a table.

Amanda Timothy wove a decorative hanging piece. She made a broom with reeds and decorated the handle with beans. Beans were also used by other students as decorative accents.

Fabric and natural fiber hats were also displayed. Artwork would not be complete at Abaco Central High School if it did not include Junkanoo pieces. Two of those were created by Cloder St. Fleur and Britney Thervil, their bright colour illuminating the class room.

Too many other creations to mention besides the ones described were exposed in the classroom, all worthy of praise. The students will find out their grades in August.

G.I.F.T.E.D in Christ launches self-esteem building program for young women

By Samantha Evans

G.I.F.T.E.D. In Christ is a girls program ran by Sister Bertlyn Linden and Sister Theodora Fernander of Friendship Tabernacle Church in Central Pines. They are presently in the middle of a curriculum called Young Ladies of Character: Restoring the Princess Ministries. This cur-

riculum is designed to teach young ladies how to live a lifestyle based upon biblical standards.

It is a curriculum for female adolescents with the purpose of building their self-esteem, encouraging them to maximize their education, value their youth and integrity, and cultivate etiquette and good manners. There are approximately 36 girls enrolled in this curriculum from grades eight to twelve and the leaders are hoping to host a tea party, career day and a Royal Ball later in the year.

To do this, they will need some sponsors for the young ladies. To assist in this effort, they launched the Honourary Godmother/Godfather Program. This sponsorship will enable them to assist the young ladies with the purchase of their gown, glass slippers, rhinestone pin, Bible Princess Tiara and certificates.

This sponsorship will make a huge difference in the lives of girls, and help them feel like Cinderella for a day, or a lifetime. They meet every Thursday at 5:30pm, and the program is open to girls ages 5-19. They have an enrollment of 75-80 girls weekly.

If you are interested in becoming a platinum, gold, silver, or general supporter, please contact Bertlyn Linden at 465-5570, Theodora Fernander at 458-7262 or Rosemary Thompson at 475-9898.

Seven graduate with certificates in hair and nails

By Samantha Evans

Seven women graduated from Pure Hair and Nails Beauty Classes on June 1 at 7pm. The ceremony was held at Victory Tabernacle Church in Murphy Town. The classes were held in Dundas Town at the former Heal Our Land Bookstore and began on Wednesday February 27, 2013. The classes were held two days out of the week for two hours each evening.

The students were very appreciative of Kenneisha Mackey for having the vision to come to Abaco to offer these classes. Three of them completed the Nail Technician class and four of them received their certificates as Beauticians. In an interview with some of the students, they shared their experience.

Valencia Cornish, Nail Technician, stated that she always loved fashion and art and was giving herself pedicures since she was young. When these classes were advertised she decided to take full advantage of the opportunity. She learned to design nails and to apply acrylic properly.

Rymrih Nairn, Beautician, stated that she was doing hair since she was 13 years old. Rymrih said Ms. Mackey is a godsend as she came to help her finish her dream. She learned to finish a style properly including weave, bond and curl. Further, she learned to become a professional.

According to Ms. Mackey, when the classes started they had orientation where the ladies got to know each other and learned about what to expect over the next eight weeks. They learned the theory of hair and nail but the classes were hands on. She was impressed with the students as they learned quickly, especially since some of them were exposed to hair and nails already.

Some of them struggled, but she was able to correct their mistakes and teach them proper techniques. As they worked, she watched to ensure that they were neat with the work. She added that some of the beauticians are doing such excellent work that they are doing better work than some

professionals do. The next course for them will be an advanced one, but she will be offering another beginners class scheduled to begin on June 24.

At the graduation, a hair and nail show was held which gave the graduates an opportunity to showcase their talents. Each of them had three models.

Pastor Kevin Grant, the pastor of the instructor, from Nassau was the speaker.

He encouraged the women to begin operating in their craft immediately. He prayed over them so that sickness and negative thoughts would remain at bay and they can prosper.

The graduates were: Adeline Louissaint-Beautician, Rymrih Mara Nairn-Beautician, Valine Swain-Nail Technician, Kenneisha Seymour, Valencia Cornish-Nail Technician, Shanna Petit-Beautician, and Pricilla McIntosh-Beautician.

The most outstanding Nail Technician Award went to Valine Swain, the most Outstanding Beautician Award went to Shanna Petit, the Most Unique Award went to Priscilla McIntosh and Kenneisha Seymour, Valine Swain and Valencia Cornish got the Most Improved Award, and Rymrih Mara Nairn and Kenneisha Seymour got the Teacher's Award.

Four partial scholarships were given out at the graduation. Valine Swain and Kennesiha Seymour received the advanced nail art partial scholarship and Priscilla McIntosh and Shanna Petit received the partial scholarship for advanced cutting. A random partial scholarship drawing was held and it was won by Tamar Roberts who decided to use it for the make-up classes.

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ECC graduates 13 with visit from Prime Minister



Above: The Rt. Hon. Perry Christie with valedictorian, Richia Wright (left), and Latonya Moss (right) at Every Child Counts graduation ceremony.



Above: in an emotional performance, some of the graduates' former classmates sing an encouraging piece of music.

By Mirella Santillo

In the presence of the Right Hon. Perry Christie and accompanying dignitaries, thirteen students graduated from Every Child Counts. The Commencement Exercise took place in the morning of June 10 at St Francis de Sales Catholic Church.

After the entrance of the Prime Minister and his entourage and the procession of the graduates, who entered two at a time following tempo steps, the ceremony proceeded with the usual singing of the National Anthem and Pledge. An opening prayer was led by David Cote and the welcome address was brought by MC, Vernelle Carey.

Graduations for the children and parents of ECC are always emotional, but the June 10 ceremony was made even more so

by the down-to-earth address of the Prime Minister who related his own struggle with his son as a parent of a special child.

As he stepped towards the podium, the Prime Minister went over to the graduates, congratulating them one by one. He then started his speech by acknowledging Lyn Major, saying that there was a place in Heaven for her.

He went on and narrated how he had been expelled from high school after two years of attendance. Noting how at the time learning disorders were not understood as well as they are today, he expressed his gratitude towards the people who believed in him and made him believe in himself.

"As a result, look where I am today," said Mr. Christie.

He introduced the members of his en-

tourage one by one, explaining that among them were parents of special children. He explained that he intended to use ECC as a model for a school that was being built in Nassau.

"You have a model that should be an example and a guide as to what could be achieved," he told Ms. Major, mentioning also the Training Center that was being built as an extension to Every Child Counts School.

He then addressed the graduates, letting them know that he was aware that they had worked exceptionally hard to get their diplomas.

"I know that you have exceptional gifts to share," said the Prime Minister. "Whatever your gifts, I encourage you to use them and share them. People may call you disabled, but your achievement proves that you are very able," he assured them.

During his address, Prime Minister Christie praised the support of the Abaco community towards the school. He com-

mended the teachers and the people who had committed to assist the ones who were weak, among them the owner of Emerald Organics Ltd. Farm for training students in farming.

He promised to put in place a facility where special children would be maintained and occupied.

"I am here to support you," he said, explaining that the Government was working closely with Reach and the Dawn Syndrome Association in order to support centers in the Family Islands.

He acknowledged the help of the Catholic Diocese which provided the land where ECC is located and where the school in New Providence will be.

Following the address of the Prime Minister, teacher Marsden Lawley introduced the Salutatorians: Carlos Pinder and Calvin Pinder and Valedictorian, Richia Wright. He explained why each student was deserving of their award, describing their personalities and qualities.

Ms. Major then thanked the Prime Minister and the other dignitaries for attending and announced that two students, Blake Russell and Calvin Pinder, were already working as apprentices with the further possibility of employment. She mentioned how rewarding her experience had been working with the students, saying "we are experiencing our humanity because of them."

After each student had received their award certificates, handed out to them by the Prime Minister and District Superintendent for Education, Dr. Lenora Black, the ceremony ended with Pastor Earlyn Baillou's remarks and closing prayer.

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CAPS athletes secure eight medals at Nassau track meet



Above: some of the twenty six athletes from Central Abaco Primary School who competed in the Track & Field Championship in Nassau during May. Their Coach, Geoffrey Victor, was pleased with their performances, which resulted in bringing home eight medals.

By Canishka Alexander

26 athletes from Central Abaco Primary School participated in the 31st Annual Frank "Pancho" Rahming Primary School Track and Field Championships from May 22-24. Their fourth year competing, Coach Geoffrey Victor was pleased to announce that the athletes returned to Abaco with eight medals.

The medals were comprised of two gold medals, three silver, and three bronze medals. Selecting a few of the star athletes on the team, Coach Victor encouraged them to talk about their experience at the track meet.

Iesha Green placed first in the 75 meters and 400 meters. Tyriq Moss competed in the high jump and softball throw, and placed second in both events. Moss' teammate, James Delia, ran in the 100 meters and 200 meters. Meanwhile, Shavante Roberts participated in the 100 meters, 200 meters and long jump. She placed first in the running events, and third in the long jump. Like Aisha, Daelyn Delancy ran in the 75 meters and 400 meters, and came second overall. Finally, there was Elta Charles, who participated in the shot put event, and captured the gold.

Elta recalled how far one of the female athletes threw the shot put, so she knew she had to step up her game.

"The first time I did it, and then a next girl she threw it so far, so I was like - 'Ok, that's how you want it?' And then the third time when I did it, Mr. Victor was cheering for me, and I did it," Elta beamed. "I sent it 87 meters,"

Mr. Victor was also proud and said that it was Elta's first time competing and she ended up winning a gold medal. He thanked those who supported the students for the trip. Fred Gottlieb, Dr. George Charite, Maxwell's Supermarket and Local Government.

"We had people come on board and we're grateful and we're thankful to them for giving our future athletes a shot at competing at this level," Mr. Victor said.

Baseball season closes on Abaco, players head to nationals in Freeport

By Canishka Alexander

On June 1, Coach George Mills, Youth Baseball Association of Abaco (Y.B.A.A.) president, asked all players to report to the Murphy Town Ballfield for the final games of the season. Three games were scheduled, and a brief presentation was given after each game was completed to present participants with certificates and medals.

Coach Mills called on Juanyette Curry, a parent, and Coach Marvin Pritchard

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Above: NABA and YBAA 9-10 players pose after the game.



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Above: a North Abaco Baseball Association 10-15 player pitching during the final game of the season on June 1.

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to execute a dual first pitch, and then it was on to baseball action. T-ball and coach pitch players led off with the first game, and their game was followed by the 9 to 10-year-old players. The final game featured 11-15 year-old players. In the 9 to 10-year-old and 11 to 15-year-old divisions, the North Abaco Baseball teams played against the Y.B.A.A. teams. Fi-

nal scores in the 9-10 division yielded 13 points for NABA and five for Y.B.A.A. In the 11-15 division, NABA scored 12 runs to beat the Y.B.A.A. players, who scored 10.

Coach Mills graciously thanked parents for their support throughout the season, adding that he and the committee members look forward to their continued support as the league moves forward. Several parents were also awarded certificates.

Next week, the 11-12 division players will head to Grand Bahama for the Bahamas Baseball Association Nationals, which will take place from June 19-23. Coach Mills said that the association is in need of sponsorship to defray their travel costs. Interested persons can contact them at ybaa.abaco@hotmail.com or on their Y.B.A.A. Facebook page.

Abaconian participates in half Ironman

By Mirella Santillo

Brent Cartwright, a self-trained Abaconian athlete who has been running, biking and swimming most of his life, could not resist the challenge of competing in an Ironman Triathlon when one was scheduled in Florida. So he took off for Orlando in the middle of May with his family, first



Above: Brent Cartwright carries the Bahamian flag across the finish at the half Ironman Marathon in Orlando, FL.

taking his children to Disney World before the race.

The event, which took place on May 19 in Haines City, consisted of swimming 1.2 mile in murky Lake Eva, cycling for 56 miles and running 13.1 miles. He accomplished the three events in 6.13.05 hours, only thirteen minutes over the time he had set for himself.

He swam the mile in 41'31'', going faster than he thought he would, pushed on by the thought of the alligator that was sunning on the shore of the lake earlier

on. He accomplished the biking portion in 2.53' 28" and the run in 2.26'11" hours. He recognized he lost time between each discipline, and that he was handicapped by the fact that his water and sun screen had become too hot to use.

The biggest challenge was the heat. At 10:40 am when he got off his bicycle to start the half marathon, it was already 93 degrees. Brent thought the bike ride would be more challenging, but he was happy with the ride, besides the fact that the route was more hilly than he thought it would be. The real challenge, said Cartwright, took place during the half marathon. It started with a mental challenge, followed by the physical stress.

"Once I passed that second loop and knew there was only 4.3 miles left, that battle went away," explained the athlete. He was grateful to the residents who watched the race armed with water hoses that they used to spray the runners as they passed.

It was the first time he participated in such an event, but he is ready to do it again. He will most likely not participate in the Orlando area, because of the heat, but will perhaps compete in New Orleans. He is even toying with the idea of a full Ironman, though the distances are double.

Brent Cartwright was the only Bahamian to participate in the Ironman competition and he proudly waved the Bahamian flag that his son Tanner handed out to him as he passed the finish line.

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SPORTS

Abacom United ends soccer season on high note



Above: some Abacom United players enjoying their victory.

By Mirella Santillo

The last game of the soccer season took place in the afternoon of May 26, between Abacom United and the Showoffs.

Although the Showoffs scored the first goal, it was Abacom United who took the match.

Abacom United did not score in the first half, but took its revenge in the second half by scoring three goals, winning 3-1. The outcome of the game did not change the final results: Abacom United was already on top of the league.

The season ended with Abacom United being a double trophy winner. The team won the Knock-out Cup and the League's first place.

The regular season has ended, but

games are still being played.

Three games over two Sundays will determine the winner of the Independence Cup that will be disputed between four teams.

Two games took place on June 9. In the first game of the day, Flesh faced Heat. In the second game, Abacom United played against Fresh.

The cup final, to be held on June 16 between the two winners, will be a grand affair sponsored by Western Union, Indigo and The Bahamas Government.

There will be no entry fee that day and the spectators will also be treated to promotional items.

Food, drinks and music will complete the sport entertainment.

Softball action continues in Murphy Town



Above: Oscar "Togo" Rolle of the T.C. Jets pitches and serves a fast one to Cameo Russell of the DNR Sluggers on May 25.

By Canishka Alexander

On May 24, Team L.A. and the Terez Gas Angels initiated the first game for the night. Team L.A. demolished their opponents beating them: 17 to 2. Then in the men's game, Creter's Bulldogs triumphed over the Hope Town Wreckers with a score of 9 to 0. The following night, the T.C. Jets took on the DNR Sluggers. The Jets were victorious against DNR; the North Abaco team secured 20 runs to DNR's five runs.

Games were again scheduled for the weekend of May 31 and June 1. The Abaco Grocery Diamond Dollz, formerly called the Lady Sluggers, appeared for their first game of the season on May 31. The AG Dollz competed against Team L.A. The game was a tight one, but the veteran players of the AG Dollz edged away with 20 runs to Team L.A.'s seven runs.

At the end of their game, the AG Dol-

lz met with Melissa Roberts of Abaco Groceries, who is the major corporate sponsor of the team this year. Roberts presented Juanyette Curry, the team captain, with uniforms for the players. Curry thanked Roberts for their generosity, and also thanked all other sponsors and supporters of the team namely J.S. Johnson Insurance and Bill Simmons Construction Company.

Although new to the game, the Wreckers won their first game of the season against DNR. The Wreckers beat DNR 13 to 10.

On June 1, it was the Bulldogs that raced to success with 10 runs. The Jets scored only three runs in that game.

Finally, on June 8, AG Dollz crushed the Terez Gas Angels with a score of 19 to 5, while the Bulldogs put another win under their belt against DNR. The final score between the two teams was 21 runs for the Bulldogs, and one run for DNR.



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North Abaco

Colton James performs in Treasure Cay



On May 29, Country recording artists, Colton James, played to a packed out Tispy Seagull in treasure Cay. As part of the Bahamas Billfish Tournament's 40th year anniversary, and in conjunction with Silver Airways, tournament sponsors Bank of America Private Wealth Management and Bertram Yacht, and Treasure Cay Resort & Marina, the tournament participants and locals were treated to a free acoustical concert. More than 200 enjoyed the music of the 'Reel Water Cowboy.' Through his music, Colton James promotes the responsible enjoyment of our oceans. During the Treasure Cay Championship, 'angler' Colton James caught and released a blue marlin aboard the 63 Bertram Sharkbait.

Sand castle enchants Treasure Cay visitors



As part of The Treasure Cay Billfish Tournament, Victor "Sandman" Leong (bottom right) constructed a giant sandcastle (top) over two days. Sand castle building classes (bottom) were also held throughout the day by Rocio Flor.



Postponed Mother-Daughter Tea Party to be held June 29

By Vernique Russell

In celebration of the bond between mothers and daughters, a tea party will be held on June 29 under the patronage of the Honourable Cynthia Pratt. The tea party is scheduled to be held at the Public Beach Site in Treasure Cay.

Organizers of the tea party will pay special tributes to mothers throughout the community of Abaco. Mothers will be recognized for their religious, social and physical contributions to their local communities.

The evening will feature games, prizes and surprises including the mother-daughter look alike competition and the "how well do you know your mother" competition. The organizers are hoping that the event will be a great time for bonding and fellowship.

The event will take place on June 29 at 3pm. This event was previously scheduled to be held in April, however it was postpone and tickets sold will be honoured. A special invitation is extended to all mothers and daughters to come and celebrate.



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St. Francis de Sales graduates 11 in Class of 2013

By Canishka Alexander

On June 6, St. Francis de Sales Catholic School held its 11th Commencement Exercise for the 11 graduates of the Class of 2013. Among the graduates were: Charese Kemp, valedictorian; Jake Consulta, salutatorian; Antonia Nottage; Rasheed Pinder; Keith McDonald, Leroy Thompson Jr.; Royce Archer; Cordell Johnson; Alexandria McIntosh; Brandin Pinder; and Rahede Smith.

Their graduation theme was: "Dream, Believe, Overcome, Achieve."

In her principal's address, Josephine Giraud-Kumar described the graduates as a determined and ambitious set of students. While at St. Francis, Ms. Giraud-Kumar said that they had tried to awaken a heightened sense of justice and humanity for others less fortunate themselves as they encouraged the students to participate in fundraisers that benefitted The Bahamas AIDS Foundation and the Abaco Cancer Society.

Together, the graduates fulfilled

more than 650 hours of community service in one year. Remarkably, Jake Consulta, salutatorian, completed 103 hours by himself. However, Ms. Giraud-Kumar was pleased to see that the graduates' generosity extended far beyond the school after they presented a state of the art megaphone to St. Francis.

"Continue to have strength of character; be true to what we have taught you," Ms. Giraud Kumar admonished. "You must have the moral fortitude to be honest and reliable, courageous and determined with vision and integrity. You must be brave enough to stand up for what is right and for what is just. You must be prepared to make the right decisions in the face of adversity and at the risk of being unpopular."

"Remember, greatness is not found in possessions, power, position or prestige; it is discovered in goodness, service and character."

She acknowledged Leroy Thompson Jr. as a "lifer" of the school because he had been enrolled at St. Francis since pre-Kindergarten. Finally, Ms. Giraud-Kumar thanked parents and supporters of the school for their ongoing support.

Royce Archer soon introduced the guest speaker - Capt. Tevon Strachan -



Above: Graduating Class of 2013 at St. Francis de Sales Catholic School on June 6.

former valedictorian and graduate of St. Francis. Strachan congratulated the graduates on their achievement noting that graduation defines a coming of age.

Like, Giraud-Kumar he reminded them to hold fast to honesty, good morals and strong principles. He also advised them to dream big. Before graduating from high school he began taking private naviga-

tion classes and attained his B Class Captain's License. Shortly after graduation, he secured his A Class Captain's License - all before he was 18 years old.

Next, Strachan encouraged them to set goals and be success driven; and to never give up. After attending Holland Col-

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lege's Marine Training Center in Canada, he excelled and graduated at the top of his class. Thereafter, Strachan sailed for three years of hands-on training – spending his first three months off the coast of Japan. July 2013 will mark the completion of his three-year tenure at sea.

"The only time you fail is when you stop trying," he wisely stated.

Selecting "Never Give Up" as their graduation song, the graduates faced the audience to give their musical tribute. Diplomas and awards were presented to the graduates by Claudette Rolle, director of Catholic Education.

Charese Kemp's valedictorian's speech signaled a long-awaited moment. In a tearful and emotional address, Kemp told her colleagues that if their faith and dreams are limited, their successes will also be limited.

"So I admonish you, act on your dreams, break out of your inertia to take actions to make these dreams reality. In our short lives, we have already learned that life is far from easy," Kemp shared. "No matter where we go or what we do, there will always be challenges ahead of us, but I believe that the purpose of the challenge is to identify our strengths and our weaknesses."

On behalf of the Class of 2013, Kemp extended heartfelt gratitude to their parents and teachers because of the morals instilled in them to become better people.

In her remarks, Ms. Rolle said that the graduates had touched her in a wonderful way.

"As proud graduates of the Catholic School educational system, you graduate as well-rounded, financially adept, academically and environmentally conscious, healthy and just persons," Ms. Rolle said. "There are three things you must take with you: always be grateful, be of service and always dream."

Gifts were presented to the dignitaries and platform guests, which included: Rev. Fr. Rogelio Madrazo, parish priest; Dr. Lenora Black, district superintendent; Kevin Rolle, building inspector for Catholic Board of Education; Willissa Mackey, assistant administrator; Chantelle Sands, PTA president; Hazel Lorene, class moderator; and Elmer Bongon, assistant administrator.

Groups help replant Hope Town dunes



Above: Cheyenne Knowles, Shanna Joseph and Bessie Lowe planting sea oats on a damaged Hope Town dune.

By Candace Cay

Hope Town is known for its community spirit and for banding together to get a job done. This type of cohesiveness was once again exhibited when replanting several areas of the town's beach dune line recently.

Hurricane Sandy, the monster storm that hit Abaco last fall, washed away most of the protective sea oats on Hope Town's dunes. These sea oats had been growing and silently standing their watch on the dunes since being replanted after Hurricane Floyd in 1999. They had been badly damaged during several successive hurricanes but had always managed to come back to stand steady guarding the dune lines.

In 1999 the Hope Town School students were very active in replanting a large amount of these plants in several spots on the island but mostly in front of the Hope Town Lodge where they study the beach and reef for the UNESCO program, SANDWATCH, an educational beach reclamation project the students have been involved in for over ten years. It was disappointing to them that the deep rooted plants were all gone after watching and studying them for so many years.

After the destruction from Sandy, it took many months of tedious beach scraping by bulldozers. The process involves waiting patiently while the sea tosses back

sand that was washed onto the reef and sea bottom during a major storm. The sand is then bulldozed back up to recreate a new dune line.

It was then time to replant the sea oats. Hope Town second-home owners, Rolf Sauer and Susan Maxman, took the lead to research sources of plants for the project. E-mails were sent out to involve interested owners in the project and then measuring followed to decide the amount needed for each homeowner's area. Friends of the Environment helped with the procurement of the 10,000 plants and Clay Wilhoyte packed his plane with the tender young shoots for the flight over

from Florida. All parties involved met very early one morning to pick up their precious cargo, gel fertilizer and printed out instructions on their planting and care. Word of the project had gone out on several forms of social media and volunteers from boats, homes and rental properties stood ready to lend a hand. The day was sunny and breezy: the perfect day to renew the town's dunes.

No group was more excited than the Hope Town students. Led by team cap-

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Above: Team Leader, Danny Trembley, and his volunteers stand in front of some freshly planted sea oats. The sea oats protect the sandy dunes from erosion.

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tain, Danny Trembley, they listened carefully to instructions, then got right down to business planting their "babies" at their UNESCO SANDWATCH study area on the Hope Town Lodge's beach. The Hope Town Harbour Lodge and the Hope Town School enjoy a close corporate/school partnership and students were anxious to help the Lodge with their planting of 4,000 new plants.

Eager students were carefully digging holes, placing the gel fertilizer in and then placing the plant and carefully patting sand around the plant making sure the root ball was 8" into the sand. Planting in straight lines and making sure they did not step on already planted ones, the work was "a breeze" for the students of the award-winning environmental school.

The day was a huge success and everyone who had any part in the process said a silent prayer asking that the dunes once again be allowed to regain their strength and beauty with the graceful sea oats silently and majestically standing guard.

Dept. of Education hosts Pre-Independence Youth Rally and Parade



Above: students march through the streets of Marsh Harbour as part of the pre-Independence celebration hosted by the Dept. of Education.

By Canishka Alexander

The Department of Education Abaco District presented a Pre-Independence Youth Rally and Parade in celebration of The Bahamas' 40th Anniversary on June 5 at the BAIC Park. The patriotic theme proclaimed: "The Bridge to the Future...The Journey Continues."

Leslie Rolle, district education officer, called the ceremony to order shortly before the Royal Bahamas Defence Force Rangers executed a flag raising drill. Cooper's Town Primary School and Crossing Rocks Primary School assisted with the opening prayer and welcome, respectively.

In his remarks, Senior Island Administrator Preston Cunningham told the audience that it was indeed a great day for him. He went on to educate the students concerning the time period leading up to Independence. Alas, he paused to remind Bahamians to take pride in their communities amidst the celebration because of the amount of litter seen on our streets and highways.

Cunningham's final encouragement was to declare war on hate.

"It is because of hate, we are getting

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a lot of the criminal activities in this country; it's because of hate many have been murdered in their homes on their streets, in the workplaces, and so on. This is not what we want for The Bahamas," Cunningham declared. "I want to know 20 years from now when all of you will be grown men and women that you find a better country to live in, a better community."

Abaco Central High School female students entertained the gathering with their song and dance performance of old-time Bahamian songs before the keynote address was given by Pastor Ezekiel McIntosh.

Pastor McIntosh spoke of attending a Grant and Aid School and of the hardships they as students and their teachers experienced during those times. He recalled how his father took up the mantle to take over the school and educate the students of Fox Town when they no longer had a teacher.

"Laying down one night, I remember hearing my father saying to mother - 'I think I am going to take over the school in Fox Town because there are too much children growing up on this island who can't read or write.'"

His recollection of his childhood led him to remember how everyone used to farm in Wood Cay, the settlement where he was born, and how we are so blessed today to have something for ourselves and our families. As a boy, he had to get wood to cut up for the fire on which they cooked their meals in their yards. There were no stoves, and certainly no electricity.

"I am happy today to say to you that we have come from a long, long way," Pastor McIntosh said.

The highlight of the day was the parade where all students and civic groups participated including the RBDF Rangers, Girl Guides under the leadership of Mrs. Bailey, and the Governor General's Youth Program.

The remaining students wore 40th Anniversary T-shirts of their colours of yellow, aquamarine and black rippling like those of our nation's flag as they moved into position to join the march that led them through downtown Marsh Harbour to the traffic light and back to the BAIC Park.

Hope Town School's entry places as a finalist in Student of the Year Award

By Candace Key

Hope Town School proudly announced that their 2013 entrant in the prestigious Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Award Programme, Eloise Albury, placed in the Top 20 as a Finalist and received a \$1,500.00 scholarship for her high school education.

There were a record 123 students from schools throughout the length and breadth of The Bahamas who entered. Each school in The Bahamas is entitled to enter their brightest and most well rounded Grade 6 student in this important award programme. They must produce a portfolio of their grades, written essays, activities, sports and extracurricular and community service projects from Grade 3 to Grade 6 for the selection committee to review.

In May of each year, the nominated students travel to Nassau for two nights of awards and activities. The first night they attend the Governor General's Medal Presentation at Government House. There they are each presented to His Excellency the Governor General and they receive a medal from him.

The next day is bowling fun for the contestants. On Saturday night the nervous attendees are called to the stage one by one to each receive a trophy as they have all achieved the honour of winning from their school. Then the real nerves begin. Ap-



Above: Hope Town School's Eloise Albury. Eloise was a finalist in the 2013 Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Award Programme. She won a \$1,500 scholarship for high school.

dents win the title of Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year (James Boyce and Anna Albury), one student placed as a 2nd runner up (Albury Higgs) and all entrants over the last ten years have been finalists and have won scholarships. The faculty and staff are proud of the students and have many more waiting their turn to also become top winners.

Kiwanis Club starts Key Club on Abaco

By Samantha Evans

The Kiwanis Club has embarked on forming the first ever Abaco Community Key Club. It is open to students of High School age who are in grades 10 through 12. The first chapter of the club is at the S. C. Bootle High School.

The club continues to attract students who are about making their community a better place while learning leadership skills for life. The club leaders are proud of them as they entered and won The Bahamas National Trust prize for best painting and sculpture at the competition held at S. C. Bootle High School.

Two Key Club members worked very hard on the project and they are to be commended: President Vanish Larose for the painting and Director Claudia St. Fleur for the sculpture under the theme "Bridging the Gap...the Journey Continues."

The club meets every Friday at lunch time. The Kiwanis Club leader is Enzil Cooper.

proximately 35-40 of the students will be presented with scholarships based on the judges' decisions.

Corporate and private donations fund the programme. Eloise was selected to win in the Top 20.

President of the Bahamas Primary School Student of the Year Award Programme, Dr. Ricardo Deveaux, wrote to congratulate Hope Town School. He stated that Hope Town School held the record of having the most top wins in this programme of any school in The Bahamas.

Hope Town School has had two stu-



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Church News

Miracle Church of God celebrates 100 years

By Annabelle Cross

The Miracle Church of God on Green Turtle Cay celebrated its 100th anniversary under the theme, "Celebrating our Past, Present and Looking Towards a Glorious Future." The weeklong celebration brought Church of God directors, members and followers from all over The Bahamas and the United States to the services on Green Turtle Cay.

The Pentecostal movement began on Green Turtle Cay in 1911 when Reverend R. Evans and Reverend Edmund Bass' street services led to the spiritual conversion of local residents. On July 24, 1913, Reverend Carl Padgett, state overseer of The Bahamas, met with the converts and set in order the Church of God. John A. Lowe was appointed pastor with eight charter members and a church clerk.

Church services were held in the homes of members. The congregation continued to grow, and in August 1922, Howard Lowe donated the property on the "creek shore" and members pledged free labour and 10 pounds each to build a sanctuary. The building was constructed using Abaco pine and served the congregation for nearly 70 years. It now serves as a fellowship hall and has been named in honour of John A. Lowe, the first pastor.

The congregation continued to grow, and in 1991 a new sanctuary was purchased. Renovations and extensions have resulted in a comfortable, air conditioned sanctuary with kitchen facilities, bathrooms, Sunday School rooms and a pas-



Above: the Church of God congregation in Green Turtle Cay, which is celebrating 100 years, parades the flags of nations: countries where they have mission outreaches.

tor's office. The new sanctuary was named The Miracle Church of God. Over the past 100 years the church has had 19 pastors, including the current assistant pastor, Pearl Lowe, and current pastor, Bishop Johnny Lowe, both of Green Turtle Cay.

Pastor Pearl Lowe, who served as pastor for 35 nonconsecutive years, followed in the footsteps of her grandfather John A. Lowe and her father Osgood Lowe, who served as pastors of the local Church of God. Bishop Johnny Lowe took over the leadership in 1994. Bishop Lowe has been instrumental in securing, saving and preserving the artifacts and records, making it easier to follow the history of the local church. Artifacts, records and photographs of past members and pastors are on display in the old sanctuary (John A. Lowe

Center).

It was appropriate that the centennial celebrations of The Miracle Church of God began on Pentecost Sunday, May 19. Evening services were held throughout the week and sermons and messages were delivered by Former General Director of World Missions, Dr. Douglas Leroy, Bishop of the Church of God in The Bahamas & Turks & Caicos Islands, Dr. John Humes, church historian Dr. David Roebuck, Director Timothy Hill, Abaco District Overseer, Bishop Anthony Campbell, and former pastor Bill George. Church of God historian Dr. David Roebuck also held daily sessions to share the history of the worldwide Church of God organization. Descendants of former pastors and members also took part in the services.

The Friday, May 24 service began with a parade of the flags of nations. Members carried flags of the mission outreach nations in a parade that began at the church. The week of services culminated with the rededicating of the sanctuary by Dr. John Humes and a fiery sermon by Dr. Mark Williams, the General Overseer of the Church of God organization.

The Miracle Church of God plays an important role in the community of Green

Turtle Cay. Its members and leaders are active in other community organizations and events. Bishop Humes commended the members for their willingness to respond when called upon to assist others. The members have been faithful and Pastor Pearl Lowe spoke about a time when she would hold services with just four in attendance, because Jesus taught in Matthew 18:20, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

The congregation has grown, and the Miracle Church of God in Green Turtle Cay has the distinction of not only celebrating its 100th anniversary, but also of having the oldest continuing Church of God congregation outside the United States.

Crown Haven Women's Conference inspires attendees

By Vernique Russell

Revival Time Pentecostal Church in Crown Haven hosted their 16th Annual Ladies Conference at their church edifice. The conference convened Wednesday, May 22, and ended on Sunday, May 26. The theme of this year's conference was a, "A Divine Encounter," and scripture referenced was Acts 9:3-6.

Services were held nightly at 7:30 pm. Various speakers brought messages of hope and encouragement to those in attendance. Women from other ministries gathered to celebrate with women of Revival Time in worship.

A special service was held on Sunday, May 26 at 3:00 pm to conclude the ladies conference. Hosting pastors for the conference were Bishop Burnell & Minister Vernetta Parker. The 16th Ladies Conference has been dubbed a success and organizers were extremely grateful for the support they received.

Those who attended were challenged, inspired and recharged to run the race of faith in Christ and be women of change and influence in their communities.

Celebration and Revival held in Cooper's Town

By Vernique Russell

Faith Walking Prayer and Deliverance Ministry in Cooper's Town, established in 2010, offers weekly prayer service to the public. The ministry is located on Cox Avenue and is operated under the direction of founder Prophetess Greta McKenzie. During the week of May 22-25, the ministry offered four nights of revival.

Guest speaker for the revival was Prophet Trevor Stubbs of Free in Jesus Ministries on Wulff Road in Nassau, who was accompanied by a few members from his ministry. The revival brought together people from all over the island to worship.

The revival culminated in a grand celebration hosted by family and friends in homage for Prophetess McKenzie's birthday. Many gathered at the center's location to enjoy the fellowship and camaraderie that the evening brought. They enjoyed scrumptious meals, good conversation and an atmosphere of good, clean fun.

Prophetess McKenzie was extremely grateful to all those who came to celebrate with her. She also extends an invitation to the general public to join her, this and every Saturday, at 7:30 pm. She guarantees that there is a blessing in the house for you.

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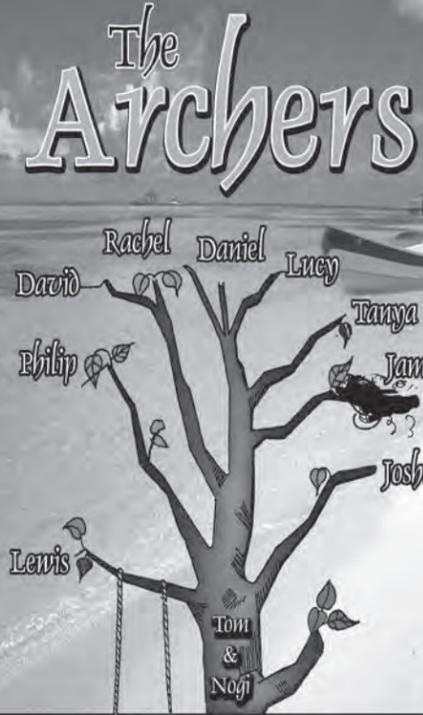
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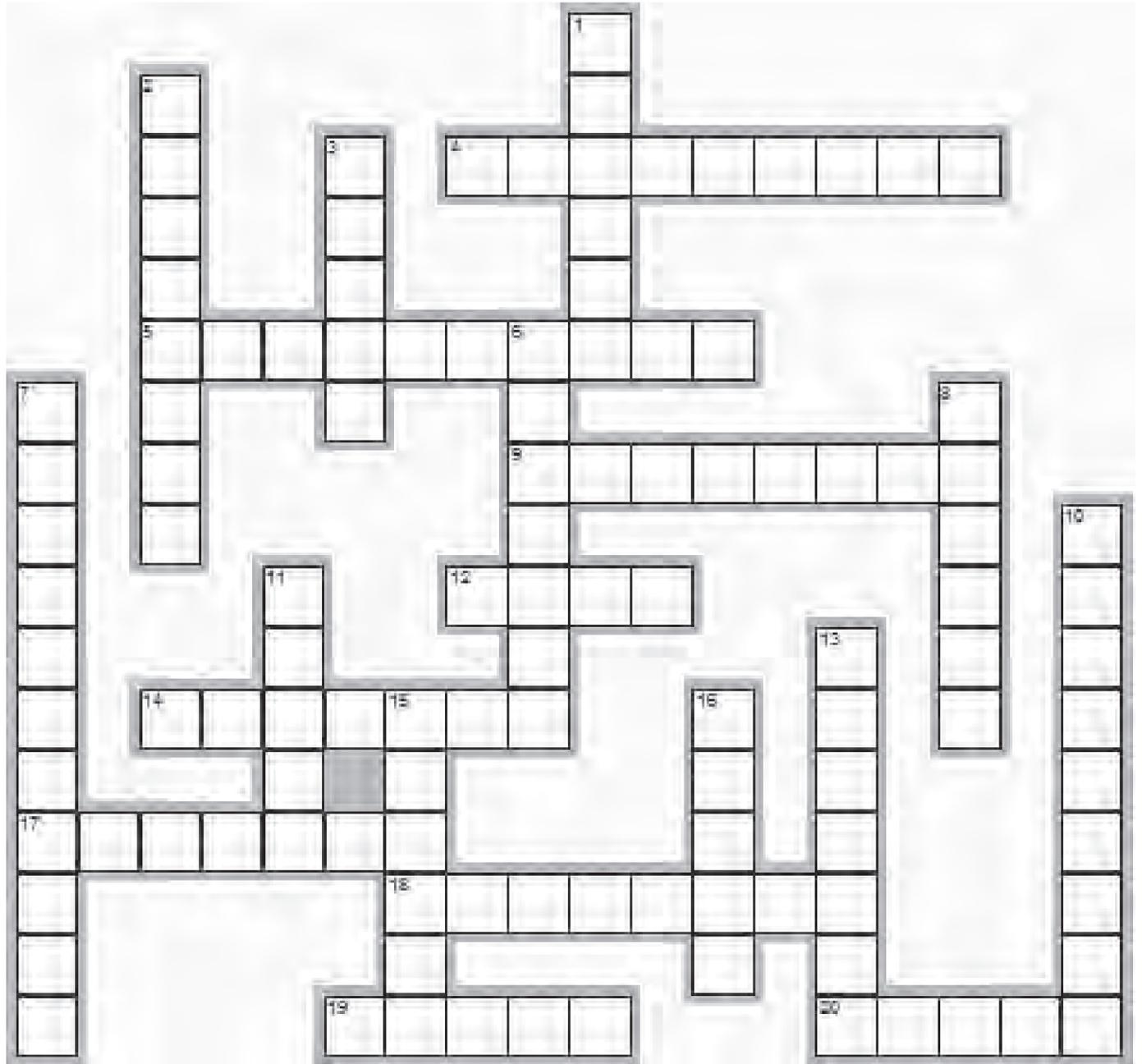
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Across

- 4. Can't believe it's not butter.
- 5. Worn to better your vision; glasses.
- 9. Style of folk music originating from Mexico.
- 12. Artistic effect painted around angels and saints.
- 14. Artists of The White Album.
- 17. Game of _____; Popular HBO series based on George R.R. Martin's fantasy novels.
- 18. El Jefe; Infamous Dominican Republic dictator.
- 19. This Council is the highest authority in Bahamian law.
- 20. Mad, upset.

Down

- 1. Used in the ancient world to write on and read, today is a function of your mouse.
- 2. _____, Jurassic, and Cretaceous
- 3. Delicious Mollusk.
- 6. Utilizes Earth's magnetic field to help find your way.
- 7. A different way.
- 8. To stay around.
- 10. Famous author who frequented Bimini.
- 11. A type of coral; something inside your skull.
- 13. Once this mystical box is opened it cannot be shut again.
- 15. If some things are not polished they lose their _____.
- 16. _____ Tail; type of lizard recognized for its namesake.



June 1 Crossword Answers

Across

- 1. **KNOCKOUT**—Abacom United recently won this Football (Soccer) Cup.
- 3. **LIONFISH**—Several derbies are planned to help reduce numbers of this invasive specie.
- 4. **DOUBLE**—Twice.
- 8. **TOPSAIL**—The Duchess of _____; recently retired freight boat.
- 11. **AUGUST**—The Deputy Prime Minister announced on a recent trip to Abaco that the new airport was set to open during this month.
- 14. **HELICOPTER**—Vehicle capable of completely vertical takeoff.
- 15. **ULYSSES**—Infamously difficult James Joyce read.
- 16. **GOOMBAY**—Sea Spray Resort and Kalik recently hosted the first of several of these festivals.

Down

- 2. **NINTENDO**—Super, 64 and Wii.
- 4. **DAVIS**—Minister of Works.
- 5. **UNCLE**—Your mother's brother.
- 6. **FOSTER**—"Nancy _____"; NOAA vessel recently spotted off Abaco.
- 7. **LIMBO**—This activity requires a flexible back.
- 8. **TEACHERS**—These professionals are generally honoured in May.
- 9. **AUSTRALIA**—"Down Under"
- 10. **POTHoles**—Abaco's roads are filled with these unsightly and dangerous features.
- 12. **SUPERMAN**—Famous superhero; Kal-el
- 13. **LOW**—"The _____ Place"; Popular Man-O-War hangout.

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Church News

Change Ministries hosts Women's Conference

By *Canishka Alexander*

Conference Hosts, Pastor Samuel Cornish and First Lady Carmen Cornish of Change Ministries International, invited women and men on Abaco to attend the 2013 Women's Conference: "Speak to My Potential" from June 5 to 8.

The exhilarating lineup of guest speakers included: Dr. Yvonne Capehart of Pensacola, Fla.; Dr. Lenora Sands of Nassau; and Prophetess Taketa Williams of Jacksonville, Fla. Anticipation for the conference was widespread, and palpable as many waited in expectation for a word from God that would propel them toward their true potential.

Each night, worshippers were ministered to through praise and worship, solos, prizes and surprises, but it was the message from each speaker that they longed for. On June 5, Dr. Yvonne Capehart, founder of Sister Keeper International Ministries, and the founder and host of "Healed for Real" Crusades, addressed the audience.

Announcing her topic as: "I Am Anointed for This," Dr. Capehart declared: "Nothing can stop you when it's your season with God." She based her sermon on I Samuel 17:32, and narrated the story of David and Goliath, and later used Jesus' death on the cross as an example of God's assignment is His life.

"God prepares you privately before He lets you do it publicly; God has to create situations to pull the potential out of us," she stressed. Dr. Capehart shared how God took her worst day, and her most broken situation and turned into a ministry of healing and deliverance.

"No matter how long it takes, your seat is reserved in destiny," she proclaimed. Dr. Capehart had found herself at a river contemplating suicide before God delivered her. She wrote her first song that day, and the Holy Spirit revealed to her that she would sing for Bishop T.D. Jakes one day. When she shared the vision with family and churchgoers, it was only her mother who believed her. One day, the vision became a reality. Bishop Jakes told her that she had a unique anointing on her life, and would travel all over the world for God.

"Sometimes potential doesn't look like potential," she stated. "Potential is obedience."

The following evening, Dr. Lenora Sands, Senior Pastor of Bethel Restoration Revival Center in Nassau, was the next dynamic speaker in line during the weekend



Above: Dr. Yvonne Capehart speaks to the congregation.

of potential. As a prophetess, Dr. Sands is wholly committed to spending time in the Word of God, and in maintaining a one-on-one relationship with Him. Her sermon focused on the woman with the issue of blood, which is found in the Books of Matthew, Mark and Luke.

"When power meets potential something has to happen," Dr. Sands bellowed. "A woman who can walk in this dimension of faith can change the destination of their generations."

She said that we must pray and fight for ourselves, no matter how long it takes because we have the power to push down strongholds, to press against the demons with our praise, and to stand on their faces with our worship.

After 21 days of fasting, Dr. Sands unearthed a great revelation.

"I came to the understanding that where I began is where I must go back to. Going back to the presence of God is where the highest potential is," she recalled. "You have to get along when no one else is there - when it's just you and Him there. God show me my potential!"

During the Women's Conference, First Lady Cornish also introduced First Lady Olivia Wells, who is the wife of Apostle Raymond Wells. First Lady Wells was excited about the potential that was exposed as a result of the conference. As if a sequel to Change's Women's Conference, she announced that she would be hosting a G5 (Glamorous Girls Giving God Glory) Conference under the theme: "Fully Clothed, Walking in Grace," and invited women to attend the conference at Living Waters Kingdom Ministries in Oakes Field in Nassau on June 24 to 26 at 7 p.m.

First Lady Wells added that the conference dates include a teen session from 10 a.m. to noon on June 25. Speakers include: Dr. Raymond Wells, senior pastor of Living Waters Kingdom Ministries; and her daughter, Raenell Wells, founder of LLITE. The special guest speaker is Deloris R. Freeman known as Dr. Dee Dee Freeman of Spirit of Faith Christian Center in Temple Hills, Maryland.

On the final night, Prophetess Taketa Williams, who is described as a "highly anointed, vibrant, and powerful prophet called to the Nation and the Nations," took over the conference. Also known as the "Preachers' Preacher," those who attended were forever impacted by the anointing that is evident in her life as she prophesied into theirs.

The next day, June 8, women purchased \$50-tickets, and were treated to a spa and relax day at Change's Upper Level. After experiencing such a successful weekend, Pastor Cornish enthusiastically thanked everyone who attended the Woman of Potential Conference.

G.I.F.T.E.D. hosts High Tea Luncheon for girls

By *Samantha Evans*

Over fifty young ladies from G.I.F.T.E.D. Inc. attended a High Tea Luncheon at Friendship Tabernacle Church in Central Pines on Saturday June 8, 2013 from noon to 3pm. Sister Joan Baillou spoke to them about Esther who is one of the ladies in the Bible that their curriculum "Young Ladies of Character" addresses.

She spoke to them about missing opportunities and to know that opportunities come with sacrifices. She told them not to be afraid to let their light shine for God in their youth. Finally, she spoke to them about how Esther stood up for her people and saved them from a terrible fate.

At the luncheon, the young ladies were served several types of Bahamian teas such as Five Fingers, Muckle Bush, Fever Grass, Sour Leaf and Pear. The girls also learned the uses of each of the teas served and had to guess which teas were being served throughout the luncheon.

The teas were made by Bertlyn Linden and Beatrice Charlton. They were also served scones, a variety of sandwiches including cucumber sandwiches, Danishes, cookies, fruits and Johnny cake. Parents were welcomed to attend and participate as well. G.I.F.T.E.D. meets every Thursday from 5:30-7:30 pm at Friendship Tabernacle Church in Central Pines.

New Life Ministries hosts Praise and Worship Conference

By *Vernique Russell*

New Life Ministries International hosted their first Behind the Veil Worship Conference under the theme 'Embracing His Presence'. The conference was held May 28-31 at the church edifice in Cooper's Town.

Guest Speakers for the event included host pastor Cedric Bullard, Minister Brenda Archer of Latterrain Ministries and Shirley Minott of the Cayman Island. The guest speakers exhorted and challenged the attendees to maximize their worship experience and seek to go behind the veil.

Another feature of the conference was the voice training classes. Quinche Howard of The Potter's House in Dallas, Texas joined the New Life family and rendered voice training classes. He is a part of the praise and worship ministry at the Potter's House.

The conference ended with a massive night of worship and dance and praise.

Remembering Family and Friends



Funeral service for the late **James Lawrence Cash** age 83, formerly of Great Guana Cay Abaco, was held at The First

Baptist Church Freeport Grand Bahama on May 18th 2013. Officiating was Rev. Dr. Keith A. Russell.

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Artist Highlight

A Musical Family

By Jennifer Hudson

Grace Anne Bethel may be Abaco's newest budding musical artist. Just six years old, Grace Anne has been learning to play the violin for the past two years. Her mother, Rebekah Bethel, is an accomplished pianist who first picked up on signs that her daughter might have an interest in playing the violin when Grace Anne was four years old.

Ms. Bethel noticed her daughter in the garden with two sticks, using them as if she were playing a violin. Being the musician that she is, Ms. Bethel was delighted to see this possible aptitude in her child. The family had recently been in Georgia and had attended a concert at which young people had been playing violins. She thinks this sparked Grace Anne's interest.

Ms. Bethel immediately looked into finding a good tutorial programme and she has been helping Grace Anne learn at home with the aid of videos, play along CDs and illustrated manuals. On her last visit to Georgia, Grace Anne played for a violin teacher and received a good report. She practices



Above: The Bethel Family on their instruments.

every day except Sunday, encouraged by her mother who well knows the importance of regular practice. Ms. Bethel has recently started teaching her daughter to play the piano and Grace Anne expresses a slight preference for the piano, possibly because it is a little less challenging than the violin.

Grace Anne's father, Colin, has

always loved the sound of the violin. When he saw his daughter learning he decided to take it up himself saying, "If she can do it, I can do it, too." He is also making excellent progress.

"I find it very enjoyable and will not give up now," he says. He finds it relaxing after a stressful day at work, and he and his daughter sometimes

play together.

Grace Anne played for the first time in public during Grace Gospel Chapel's Youth Sunday Service and impressed the congregation with her playing of 'Jesus Loves Me.' She also played in church with daddy on the violin and mummy on piano at Christmas time. Her brother, Joshua, who is four years old, has also recently begun learning to play the violin. He is presently working on the bowing, which is the most difficult part to perfect, but if he perseveres like daddy and sister this musical family will one day be able to perform as a quartet.

Ms. Bethel, who has been playing piano since she was eight years old, plays for many of the services and performances at Grace Gospel Chapel where the family attends church.

"It is natural for me to encourage music," she says. "I especially like the idea of the violin because it can be picked up and taken with you wherever you go, whereas a larger instrument like a piano cannot. Music is something that spans all ages and can be enjoyed for a lifetime."

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Investigations continue.

Housebreaking

At 11:45am on 6th June, 2013, a 58 year old male of S.C. Bootle Highway Marsh Harbour, Abaco, reported that sometime around 11:00am on 6th June, 2013, person/s entered his residence. Police action requested.

Suspect arrested

At 11:43am 7th June, 2013, Officers of the M.H.P.S. arrested a male suspect aged 24 years old of Dundas Town, Abaco at M.H.P.S. reference to this matter. Investigation continues.

Drug Arrest

Case#1-13-047288

At 3:35 am on 7th June, 2013, officers of the M.H.P.S. arrested a 27 year old male of Dundas Town, Abaco, reference to Possession of Dangerous Drugs. Officers reported arresting the suspect at Surfside Club sometime around 3:30 am same date where he was found in possession of a quantity of marijuana.

At 8:30pm on 7th June, 2013,

he was charged for Possession of Dangerous Drugs. He was released on \$500.00 bail to attend court on 12th June, 2013.

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At 10:00am on 6th June, 2013, a 23 year old female of Marsh Harbour, Abaco reported that sometime on 27th March, 2013, a female paid for services with a FCIB Cheque in the amount \$577.00. However, on 2/4/13 the cheque was returned indicating that the chequing account was closed. Police action requested.

Investigation continues.

Housebreaking

At 5:15pm on 3rd June, 2013, a 62 year old Pastor of S.C. Bootle Hwy, Abaco, reported that sometime between 7:00am and 4:45pm on 3rd June, 2013, some unknown person/s entered his residence and stole \$200.00 in coins; a drill valued at \$60.00; an Ipod Nano valued at \$175.00 and digital camera valued at \$150.00. Police action requested.

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At 3:00pm on 3rd June, 2013, a Security officer c/o a local resort, Abaco, reported that sometime between 31st May, 2013 and 1st June, 2013, an employee stole \$688.00 cash that was received as dockage fee. Police action requested.

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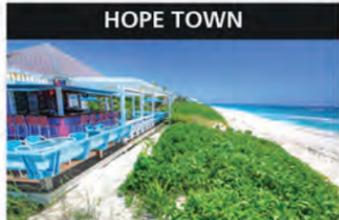
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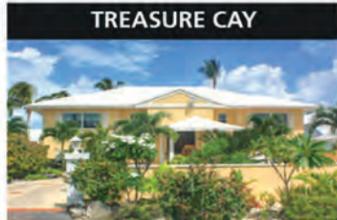
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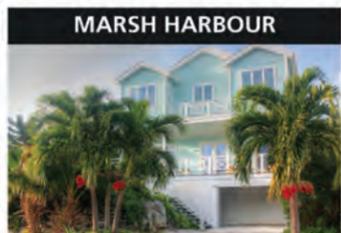


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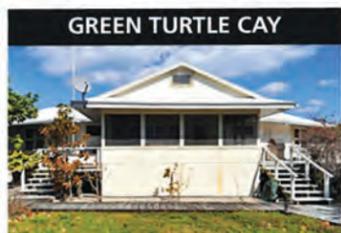
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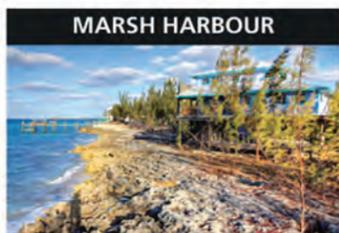
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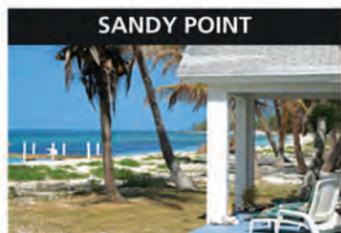
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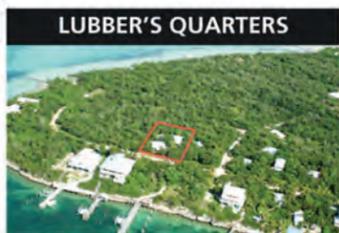
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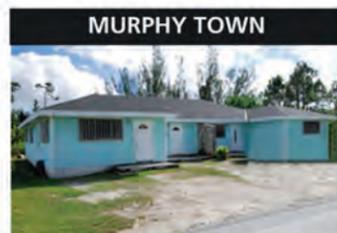
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