



# **Tourism Minister Visits Elbow Cay for Chamber of Commerce Mix and Mingle**



Prior to attending the Abaco Chamber of Commerce's Mix & Mingle at Sea Spray Resort, the Minister of Tourism and Aviation Dionisio D'Aguilar (above center in jacket), along with other members of the Ministry of Tourism and the Central / South Abaco Member of Parliament, were given a tour by the Elbow Reef Lighthouse Society (ERLS). While on site, the ERLS noted that repairs are desperately needed for the public dock servicing the lighthouse grounds.

# MHVFD Hosts Grillout Fundraiser



*On Oct 28 Marsh Harbour Volunteer Fired & Rescue hosted a fundraiser on the fire dept. grounds. Burgers, hot dogs, sodas and sweets were on offer as youngsters got to ride in one of the fire engines.*

*By Bradley Albury*

The Abaco Chamber of Commerce hosted their third quarterly Mix and Mingle in Elbow Cay on October 26, 2017 at Sea Spray Resort. The guest speakers for the evening were the Honourable Dionisio D'Aguilar - Minister of Tourism and Aviation; and Randy Butler - Sky Bahamas CEO.

Min. D'Aguilar preceded the meeting with a visit to the Elbow Cay Lighthouse and heard from Elbow Reef Lighthouse Society regarding investments that must be made to continue maintaining the famous lighthouse as one of the premier tourist destination in Abaco.

Chamber of Commerce members and local businesspersons enjoyed a fun soiree at Sea Spray – sampling complimentary wine, beer and hors d'oeuvres – before the introduction and presentations from speakers.

Mr. Butler spoke about his experience in the aviation industry - both public and private. He talked about businesses being good corporate citizens but lamented that regardless of charitable spending businesses still are taxed the same. He said this provides less incentive to companies to in-

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## **Community Stunned by Loss of Young Mother in Apparent Murder**

*By Timothy Roberts*

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The discovery of the body of young woman on October 26, 2017 has left the communities of Abaco shaken as the search for answers continues.

Lavardo Huyler, a resident of Dundas Town, was arraigned in magistrate's court in Freeport, Grand Bahama and charged on Monday, October 30, with the murder of the woman.

It is alleged that the accused, sometime between October 21 and October 26, at Marsh Harbour, Abaco, by means of unlawful harm intentionally caused the death of a woman, whom the judge said is still formally unidentified.

Deputy Chief Magistrate Ferguson informed Huyler he was not required to enter a plea to the charge of murder, and that a preliminary inquiry will be held into the matter to determine if there is sufficient evidence against him to stand trial in the Supreme Court.

"I see where a female is unidentified; the circumstances may

change in the future, right now we do not know the identification of the person who is alleged to have died," said Deputy Chief Magistrate Ferguson.

On the issue of bail, the prosecution asked -- due to the seriousness of the offence -- that bail be denied according to Section 438 Part C and Part G of the Bail Amendment Act.

The judge told Huyler that due to the nature of the offence he was not entitled to bail. He is entitled to apply for bail in the Supreme Court.

apply for bail in the Supreme Court. He was remanded to the Bahamas Department of Correctional Services in New Providence until February 26, 2018 when a preliminary inquiry will be held.

It is believed, though still unconfirmed at press time, that the body is that of 25-year-old Harderia Bootle, mother of three children, who was reported missing on October 21 by her family.

The body of the young woman was discovered partially covered

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vest in the community.

Mr. Butler shared some interesting information regarding aviation in The Bahamas. He said that, contrary to what many might think, the Domestic Terminal subsidizes the operations of the International Terminal in Nassau. He noted onerous fees and taxes have stymied the industry and legitimate carriers are undercut but “hackers” – flights operating in an informal, unregulated market.

Mr. Butler also praised BahamasAir as having some of the most dedicated, hardworking staff in the industry, but that “unfortunate politics” have long kept them from achieving their potential.

Min. D’Aguilar spoke about the airline industry as a whole in The Bahamas and the Bahamian government’s challenges and approach.

Among several anecdotes he noted how he discovered one family island airport only had a \$500 a month maintenance budget which was clearly not enough. He coupled this with admitting that, for a long time, The Bahamas has not maintained its assets – costing much more in the long run.

Bahamian airports are categorized by three tiers. Both Abaco’s airports are considered Tier I. Leonard Thompson International in Marsh Harbour has the second most traffic in the country and air arrivals to Abaco have increased ~5% every year for the past five years with one exception



Abaco Chamber of Commerce Board members George Riviere (far left), Brenda Jenoue (center left), local Aliv rep. Krista Albury (center right) and Chamber of Commerce Board member Ruth Saunders (right) at the Mix & Mingle.

in 2014.

He noted that at 6500 feet the Marsh Harbour runway is too short to accommodate anything much larger than small regional jets but it has an impressive terminal. Treasure Cay, on the other hand he noted, has a runway that can accommodate much larger aircraft but its terminal is not suited for high traffic. The challenge of government, he said, was finding the money to correct either one while balancing the needs of the 28 other airports in the

country on top of other budgetary needs and restrictions.

Min. D’Aguilar said the way forward to alleviate strain on the Treasury was Public-Private Partnerships to manage and run airports. He noted the government is “mindful” about who it is choosing to do business with.

The Minister noted that a lot of the budget for Aviation currently goes towards

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Min. D’Aguilar fields questions from the crowd.

Below: Randy Butler, CEO of Sky Bahamas, makes a point about fees and regulation.



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# LOCAL NEWS

## Following Completion of Work in Town, North End and Dune Roads Remain Worrisome



Unchecked erosion along the dune road on Elbow Cay has long been a concern of residents.

*By Timothy Roberts*

While recent roadworks have been completed within the historic part of Hope Town, patching a rough area that was seen to be hazardous, there is concern about other roads which have been long neglected by Central Government.

Hope Town District Council member and resident, Don Cash said the joint effort between the council and the community was just completed in mid-October making the main thoroughfare from St James

Methodist Church to The Jib safer and much more pleasing to look at.

Mr. Cash, however, said that the conditions of the North End road and Dune road are in "a deplorable state" and is hopeful that Central Government will soon see fit to assist in some way to ensure the roads drivability and safety.

While to date there are not any known plans on the table to address specific roads in Hope Town, Central and South Abaco Member of Parliament James Albury said

"I remain committed to working with the Ministry of Works and Local Government to get some of these necessary repairs and road works done for Hope Town."

Mr. Cash said the North End road is barely drivable after a good rain, especially for golf carts. He added that there are only two companies that allow their rental carts to go to the North End because of the conditions of the roads.

He said that there are at least 30 rental homes on North End and all told about 70 homes in total.

The Council and Central government have previously discussed paving the North End road and various ways to do it from asphalt to sand and seal, Concrete or just a proper grating and rolling.

A report in early 2016 that Central Government intended to pave the road with asphalt was met with mixed feelings with residents of the area, some of whom would like to maintain the rustic and natural appeal of a non-paved road.

He said that a suitable solution to some residents is just paving with concrete areas that wear due to traffic and weather.

Mr. Cash expressed concern as the Dune Road is in terrible shape. He said it is being undermined by erosion and the top is in extremely rough shape. Something bad is potentially going to happen there sooner or later, he explained.

The Dune road was demolished in 1999 after the passing of Hurricane Floyd

and was not properly restored and secured despite promising conversations with multiple administrations. Local Government did, however, work to assist in making the road safer but that has since been impacted by hurricanes and storms.

Mr. Cash said that the work in town had to be carried out in October because "once we get in the busy season it's too much traffic. You can't close the road for a week; can't close it for a day within a month or so."

He said that the Hope Town District Council was able to scrape together a third of the money. The quote for repairs was for about \$7000 to patch the road from the Jib to the Methodist Church, "which was the worst stretch in town."

He said he put out a request for donations via Facebook and within a week they were able to raise enough money from local residents and businesses. He said they were especially thankful to Abaco Construction who donated the equipment to get the work done.

The work was carried out by Jean Alcime and "he did a good job." He said the work took just over a week to complete. "They jackhammered the holes, pressure washed them out and filled them with concrete."

He said that while there are a couple spots within the historic district they are considered minor and can be fixed with a bag of concrete.

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## Hope Town District Council Holds Meeting in Man-O-War Capital Funds, Cell Tower and Other Items Top Agenda



The Hope Town District Council met in the school at Man-O-War for its October meeting. Central Abaco Administrator Maxine Duncombe is seated. Standing are John Pinder, Don Carey, Jeremy Sweeting, Don Cash and Arthur Edden.

By Dave Ralph

The Hope Town District Council held its monthly meeting on October 4 in the Man-O-War Primary School to discuss routine matters. The Council feels it can represent its constituents better by meeting in the various settlements.

Chief Councillor Jeremy Sweeting

announced that the district would be getting \$20,000 in capital funds from Central Government to be shared between the three townships for minor capital improvements.

Nassau appears to have given approval for a resort on Elbow Cay to purchase or lease land it has reclaimed in White Sound. This area was once a public beach. The

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Council has repeatedly requested that Nassau not sanction this acquisition.

Council's lease for North Pelican Cay has been renewed, preserving this cay for public use.

A recent letter from the Port Authority in Nassau stated that the Council could approve private docks up to a length of 240 feet. However, this was later acknowledged to have been in error. The previous length of 120 feet maximum is the limit for local approval.

A Town Meeting in Man-O-War resulted in public approval for Cable Bahamas to erect a tower for cell phone antennas.

Due to conflicting opinions on the location of the tower, another Town Meeting will be held to confirm the location of the tower. A Cable Bahamas representative attended the original meeting to answer technical questions. A 90-foot tower is now on Abaco ready to be erected in town which is the company's choice for technical reasons. If the tower must be located

at the dump site on the edge of town, the tower will have to be 120 feet tall and will have to be ordered.

Near the close of the meeting, the Administrator and Chief Councillor were disappointed by the outburst of a new member on the Council who felt he was being treated unfairly. Recognizing that new members may not be familiar with meeting protocols and accepted business standards, the Administrator may schedule training sessions for newly elected members on how meetings and government standards are observed.

The Council meeting lasted about seven hours which is normal for this Schedule III District consisting of three settlements.

For this year, six meetings are scheduled to be held in Hope Town, three meeting each in Man-O-War and Guana Cay. Meetings away from the District office in Hope Town are often a challenge as all the Council's files are in the Hope Town office.



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## Cherokee Town Meeting Highlights Improvements Residents Seek



John Roberts (Casuarina & Bahama Palm Shores), Michael Saunders (Cherokee), Donald Rolle (South Abaco Island Administrator) and Jackie Estavez (Chief Councillor for South Abaco District) field concerns and questions from residents during Cherokee Town Meeting.

*By Lee Pinder*

With twenty persons in attendance, Mrs. Jackie Estavez, Chief Councillor for South Abaco District, opened the meeting and a prayer was given by the Secretary, Ms. Davis. The new South Abaco Island Administrator, Donald Rolle, was introduced and he addressed the audience saying he was there to hear about the residents' concerns.

Also in attendance were: Michael Saunders, from Cherokee's local board and John Roberts representing Casuarina and Bahama Palm Shores. Mrs. Estavez said she had received several complaints and

wanted to address them first.

A discussion was held regarding the pond across from BTC's building - suggesting it be filled in or that a proper drain constructed. The land locked pond has a tendency to become stagnant.

In addition, the soak-away or drainage from several properties need cleaning and extending so water could exit into the mangrove. Richard Sawyer said he would clean out the drains as best he could and make a suggestion to the Council as to how the problem could be solved.

A resident brought up concerns about abandoned or empty houses within the

settlement that are not being cared for or maintained. She suggested that the owners be notified of their derelict condition and that they should be taken care of or torn down. The Administrator said he would get their addresses and let them know in writing of the committee's concerns.

Another resident asked if anything could be done to repair the sides of the roads as the cement verges are crumbling.

An attendee also requested that the speed limit within the settlement be raised from 10 MPH to 15 MPH as a more reasonable speed and that large properly marked signs be put up to inform drivers. It was also suggested that a policeman be brought in periodically (without prior notice) to stop speeders. The audience felt if a few were heavily fined that it would stop others from breaking the speed limit.

In addition, someone requested that the administrator approach BEC to install proper lighting in the way of street lights along the Cherokee access road; one at the first turn after you leave the highway, approximately four miles in and a second one at the next turn, approximately one more mile further on.

Both turns are extremely dangerous spots within the dark forested area. Without any other lighting there, several persons have run off the road, especially in

these two spots.

Someone also inquired about spraying for flies, mosquitoes and sandflies as they continue to be a local problem. They remarked that they were kept under control while The Abaco Club at Winding Bay sprayed regularly within the settlement, but that they were no longer doing it. The administrator said that he would check with the Department of Agriculture and request a solution for this problem.

An additional Cherokee resident asked about keeping the Winding Bay beach access road, through The Abaco Club at Winding Bay's property, be cleared of long grass, sand prickles and poison wood. It was also suggested that a key to the bathrooms and showers in the beach parking lot area could be left with someone in Cherokee where persons wishing to use the facility could pick it up and return it, whenever needed. The resident also asked if garbage collection could be picked up on a more predictable schedule.

Council member, Micheal Saunders, brought up the subject of speed bumps in Yellow Wood as well as in the settlement to try and slow down speeders and to protect persons and pets who might be on the road. The audience agreed with the suggestion.

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gestion. A sign announcing "You Are Entering The Settlement of Cherokee Sound - Please Slow Down" was suggested.

Regarding spraying for insects, Kevin Sawyer said he keeps bees and asked that he be informed when they planned to spray (as the spray kills his bees) as he would need to take some precautions.

One resident complained about long abandoned boats - stating that they either need to be made seaworthy, or be destroyed as they are an eyesore. One being in the creek area and another near the old dump.

Some people complained that there was not sufficient notice of the meeting and maybe that was why there were not more in attendance. Mrs. Estavez advised the audience about the South Abaco District Councils Blog on the internet for persons to stay informed. However, it was noted not everyone in Cherokee have computers or cell phones, so it would not help them.

Administrator Rolle promised he would be addressing the concerns and problems and said he would have another meeting soon to bring residents up-to-date on his progress.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer by Micheal Knowles, also a member of Local Government.

## Abaco's Haitian Population Wary of Prime Minister's Remarks

*By Timothy Roberts*

Recent comments from Prime Minister Dr. Hubert Minnis regarding a deadline for illegal migrants to leave the country by December 31, 2017 as he warned that an aggressive pursuit and deportation will be the fate of anyone who does not comply, has left Bahamians of Haitian descent upset.

Abaco has one of the largest Haitian immigrant and Haitian Bahamian populations in the country; many of whom live in the congested and often unregulated communities of The Mudd, Pigeon Peas and Sand Banks among others.

In interviews conducted with The Tribune residents of the Mudd and Pigeon Pea in Abaco sent a strong warning to the Prime Minister over the new deadline saying that: "Five years will come again".

There was extreme disappointment from many in the community over the tone struck by Dr. Minnis, whom they feel betrayed members of the Haitian community after pandering for their vote ahead of the general elections.

"We as Haitian," said Bahamian Anne-Rose Jean, "we don't have no problem with him (Dr. Minnis), because we

know that five years coming again. We put him there, remember Dr. Minnis, we put you where you are today. You reach after four months and we are the same people you throw the rock at, but another five years will come again."

"We don't put you there forever, after five years you will see what's going on because Haitian is a nation who don't scared suffering. We used to that, we used to suffering, and so we will wait another five years because we sure you coming again."

While the deadline does not affect Ms. Jean, 40, she took strong exception to Dr. Minnis' statement because it signaled that there would be no real change to the government's futile, costly, and inhumane approach to immigration.

Many residents said they are not against the enforcement of immigration laws; however they are against unlawful deportations and detention, irregular processing and subsequent backlogs, and a complete lack of political will to provide meaningful solutions.

A frequent suggestion was for the Department of Immigration to modernize and clear its backlog before setting off on

a crusade similar to the one that became an international spectacle and human rights disaster on November 1, 2014.

Sandra, a 16-year-old, said that she plans to stay with friends if her parents get deported along with her two younger siblings; hoping to complete her studies next year and become a business woman after applying for citizenship at 18.

However, she said it was heartbreaking watching other children languish in the community because they cannot attend classes. Stephanie, Sandra's younger sister, will turn five next month. It is not expected that she will be able to enter grade 1.

"I don't feel no type of way (about the deadline), but I feel bad for the kids who aren't going to school," Sandra said tearfully.

While officials have stressed that the new deadline would affect migrants of all nationalities, shanty town residents said that coded language made it clear that Haitians were the target given historic prejudices as the largest migrant group in the

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## From the Editor's Desk //Solidarity of Compassion

Tragedy has again stricken our small island. The loss of a 25-year-old mother of three in what clearly appears to be a heinous, deliberate act has cut Abaco deep.

I did not know her personally but I know many who did. Despite how it may sometimes seem, Abaco remains a close-knit community that feels the wounds of our neighbours with un-

flinching clarity. The loss of anyone's friend, daughter, son, mother or classmate is enough to make us all take pause. Especially when that loss is so senseless.

I have no other words except to join with all others of Abaco in expressing solidarity of compassion and grief.

**TRAGEDY**

in rocks in bushes on S. C. Bootle Hwy just outside of Central Abaco.

Police reported on Thursday that around 2 p.m., officers were called to S.C. Bootle Highway to investigate an odd smell in bushes. Shortly after, they discovered the body, according to police.

North Abaco Family Island Administrator Terrece Bootle-Bethel, Harderia's aunt, speaking in an interview with the Nassau Guardian said "She was a very beautiful, vibrant, young woman with great prospects, so you can imagine the grief that the family is feeling in lieu of her tragic death."

Mrs. Bootle-Bethel said the community has been struck with a "sense of tremendous grief and shock".

"I saw it in the faces and the response of the persons in general, [including] the immediate family, extended family, friends and the general community of Abaco," she said.

"I saw anger. I saw bewilderment. There is a sense of tremendous grief and shock."

The family's greatest fear began last Saturday after Harderia left her mother's home, according to Mrs. Bootle-Bethel, never to be

heard from again.

"We knew something was wrong because she was a caretaker of her kids, a provider for her kids," Mrs. Bootle-Bethel said.

"To accept that she would walk away from her children was a reality we just could not face. We knew that was something she would never do."

Mrs. Bootle-Bethel said after the young mother wasn't heard from all day Saturday, the family contacted the police.

She said when the family finally found her, it was far worse than what they expected. "It was tragic," she said.

"A group from her hometown and her closest family and friends from the Blackwood community [went] into that area and they came upon her and what looked like an entombment of rocks and [they] were able to see partial exposure of her body.

"[It was] because of their familiarity with her appearance, what she looked like, her body posture, composure, that they knew that, that was possibly her."

Bootle-Bethel said the community has suffered a great loss and all the family wants is justice for the death of the young mother.

**Community Calendar**

• Nov 4: Kayak Challenge

• Nov 4: North Abaco Sister Sister Pink Masquerade Ball

• Nov 4: Agape School Fair

• Nov 9: Abaco Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting

• Nov 10: Customer Appreciation Happy Hour (Bristol Wines, Marsh Harbour)

• Nov 11: Walk-a-Thon (Church of God, Coopers Town)

• Nov 14: College Fair (@ Agape School)

• Nov 16: Abaco Science Fair

• Nov 23: Turtle Trot

• Nov 24: Pilot Club Comedy Show (Anglican Parish Hall)

• Nov 24: 18th Annual Art Show (Hope Town Harbour Lodge)

• Nov 25: Big Hill Boxcart Derby (Elbow Cay)

• Nov 25: Visage Concert (Hope Town Harbour Lodge)

• Dec 8-10: Combustion Music / Hope Town Music Festival

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Message in a Bottle

Dear Editor;

You recently published a story from Jean Logan who had found a bottle with a message in it in front of our GTC property, Cocobay Cottages.

She also posted the photo and information on FB and I was able to get in contact with the person who had put the bottle at sea.

His name is Rui Marcelino and he is a published author in Portugal with 6 books to his credit and the seventh book being the reason for putting a message in a bottle.

We had started planning a trip to Portugal when we saw the article in The Abaconian. I got in touch with Rui and we corresponded back and forth sharing information about our plans and making an appointment to meet in Lisbon at the beginning of our stay .

We met Rui, his wife Paula and daughter Filipa (also a published author of children's books) at our hotel; they took us to a very famous and gorgeous restaurant for lunch. Furthermore, they took us on a tour of Sintra, Cascais and Estoril, with their comments on their fabulous

country and points of interests .

What a start to a marvelous vacation .....And made possible by the inexplicable luck of finding a floating bottle on a very small, remote island!

Needless to say, they had never heard of Green Turtle Cay or the Abaco's BUT upon researching the location, they would love to come over.

We have invited the Marcelino family to visit us next year and share our own corner of Paradise with them.

I can't wait to read what Rui will put in his novel about the curious turn that his action of throwing a bottle at sea has started for all of us.

A new friendship for sure and who knows what else?

Nicole Fleming  
Owner ,  
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## Preserving Our Past

Fellow Abaconians,  
The settlement of Cherokee Sound was established more than two hundred and thirty years ago,

and even though we may be a little late in trying to find out more about our past, we want to start now, before all is lost. We have an old home that has been given to us to use as a museum. It originally belonged to Ridley Pinder, and more recently to Eric Sands. The present owners have leased us the house for this very important project and we are asking the public to tell us their family stories, share some photos or personal items and some financial assistance, if possible.

We are appealing to all Abaconians, especially those persons with a family connection to Cherokee or those who are also interested in preserving the past; those who may have inherited a memento or family keepsake and feel it should be in a

museum.

Today more and more people are connecting with their past and we are anxious to see what we will uncover, and, at least, in the future our children and grandchildren will be able to follow their roots from this point forward.

Needless to say, some major renovations and repairs will have to be done first, in order to preserve the building, but nothing ever gets accomplished unless we take that first step.

I'm asking you to contact me, tell me what you have and it's story and who owned the item. Nothing is too small or unimportant.

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## Author Pens “Isle of Deceit” as an Abaco Island Mystery

### Press Release

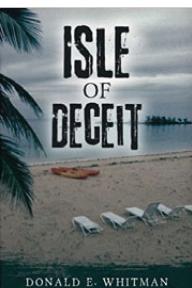


Author, Donald Whitman, has written several thrillers - his latest being set in Abaco.

Donald Whitman is a native of Albany, Georgia. After graduating college, he began a career in real estate re-development and management, with re-building projects including six story hotels and large apartment communities as well as single family homes. He and his brother own two homes in the Abacos.

Drugs, arson, murder and island charm carry the compelling novel which features Martin, who retires to a cay on the beautiful Abaco Islands to start a new chapter in his life. However, the tranquil charms of island life can't stop the shark instinct that made him such a formidable real estate developer. A huge development is coming to the island, and Jim is enticed to take part.

“I always loved reading and wanted to write, but when I began the first book, Fatal Healing which is about a pharmaceutical company that starts a disease because it has the cure, I was hooked,” says Whitman.



DONALD E. WHITMAN

One Amazon.com reader says, “Best book yet by Donald Whitman! The descriptions of Island life in the Bahamas were fantastic and had me wanting to book a flight and head that way! The drama that unfolds and the suspense that builds made it hard to put down. I finished this book quickly and look forward to reading more from Whitman!”

The books are available online on Amazon.com and other booksellers. [https://www.amazon.com/Isle-Deceit-Donald-Whitman/dp/1545213526/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1507806768&sr=8-1&keywords=Isle+of+deceit](https://www.amazon.com/Isle-Deceit-Donald-Whitman/dp/1545213526/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1507806768&sr=8-1&keywords=Isle+of+deceit)

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## Combustion Music Hope Town Music Festival set to Return in Early December



Performers and organizers from last year's Music Festival which raised over \$30,000 for local charities.

### Press Release

The Combustion Music Hope Town Music Festival is again bringing their hit songwriters to the Abacos Dec 8-10, 2017. Founded in 2013, the festival has brought big time songwriters, who collectively have written over 150 #1 hit singles, to this incredible community.

“It was my goal to introduce many of my songwriter friends to this special island that my family and I have grown to love over the past 14 years, and to introduce Hope Town and its residents to the incredible musical talent of these writers, and finally and most importantly, to raise a bunch of money for some very worthy charities,” says Combustion Music founder and President Chris Farren.

In 2013, the festival brought a group of over 20 participants from Nashville

and wowed the local crowds with packed shows at 4 different Hope Town venues over three days and nights. With the help of great sponsors both on the island and in the states, Hope Town Music Festival raised over \$30,000 for three local charities in the first year.

“We at SunTrust Music Row have been involved with the Hope Town Music Festival since its inception in 2013. We are so glad to be a part of such a great cause, that gives back to such a special place,” said SunTrust’s Dusty Miller. The festival has grown every year since. In 2015 the festival distributed over \$55,000 and in 2016 raised over \$75,000.

Chip Esten, the star of ABC’s “Nashville” was a first-time performer last year.

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# LIFESTYLES

## MUSIC

"I can't remember a more enjoyable time than the long weekend I spent with Chris Farren and his Combustion Music family at the incredible Hope Town Music Festival. The world's best songwriters in the world's most beautiful place. What more could you ask? Only to be invited again!"

2016's performers also included Ashley Gorley, Brett James, Chris DeStefano, Ross Copperman, Chris Farren, Walker McGuire, Mickey Jack Cones, Jameson Rodgers, Matt Jenkins and Jon Nite. Four-time ASCAP Songwriter of the Year and Combustion Music writer Ashley Gorley stated, "the locals and I know each other by name at this point. The islands are beyond beautiful, and the people couldn't be more kind and appreciative. I'm more than happy to help Combustion and Chris Farren raise money for the community, and I've got it on my calendar to come back every year."

This year's event will include perennial favorite and 5-time Songwriter of the Year, Ashley Gorley plus hit writers Brett James, Chris Destefano, Jon Nite, Chris and Jessica Farren, new smash country duo Everette and many other surprise guests.

The shows will kick off on Dec 8 at the Hope Town Harbour Lodge at 8pm, and will continue with performances over the next three days at venues across Elbow Cay.

Saturday's show will be at the Har-

bour's Edge at 8pm with more hits songs, and the festival will culminate on Sunday with two great shows; an afternoon show at the Abaco Inn at 1pm and the final show at 8pm at the Hope town Inn and Marina. This year, besides all of the great music, there will be some great auction items just in time for Christmas, with all the proceeds going to the three worthy charities.

The responses from the local community and the songwriting/music community have been incredible, with everyone pitching in to support three very worth charities; The Hope Town Fire and Rescue Department; Every Child Counts, an alternative education program for children with learning, developmental or physical disabilities; and Friends of the Environment, a local non-profit environmental organization devoted to preserving the Abaco's fragile environment and working towards a more sustainable future.

In addition to SunTrust, this festival is made possible by The Academy of Country Music, Music Row Wealth Management, Warner Chappell Music, Pickers Vodka, IBC Airlines, Downtown Music Publishing, ASCAP, and A+ Storage along with on-island sponsors, The Abaco Inn, Hope Town Harbour Lodge, Hope Town Inn and Marina, Harbour's Edge, Albury's Ferry, Abaco Buzz, Bahamas Ministry of Tourism, Commonwealth Brewery, Lighthouse Marina, Elbow Cay Properties, Getaway Cart Rentals, Hope Town Hideaways and Abaco T-Shirt and Design.

## Monica Adderley Fun Run / Walk and Pink Rose Relay Gathers Runners for a Cause



Lovely Reckley (foreground, left) and Shelley Austin (foreground, right) open the Pink Rose Relay festivities.

*By Mirella Santillo*

Many on Abaco are unfortunately too familiar with the Cancer - either as a patient affected by the disease, a survivor or as a relative of someone who is affected. So it should not come as a surprise that about one hundred and fifty people showed up at the Anglican Hall to participate in Cancer Survivor Monica Adderley's Fun Run/ Walk and Pink Rose Relay as a fund-raiser for the Abaco Cancer Society.

People of all ages, most of them wearing pink, met at 6am in the morning of October 14 to register for the race that was to take them from the Anglican Church, to the Airport Roundabout, and back.

The emcee for the event, Shelley

Austin, rounded up the crowd at precisely 7am to gather in a circle and hear the invocation pronounced by Lovely Reckley.

Then, lining up on the road for the start, people started - runners dashed off, while walkers found their pace.

A police officer on a motorbike followed the participants back and forth, making sure the automobile drivers slowed as they passed them. An ambulance also monitored the walkers/ runners, offering them water. Monica Adderley, accompanied by family members, walked along among the participants.

On the road sides, signs paid tributes

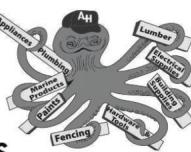
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F. HIGH & DRY Canal view home, 2-storey, 3b 2b. WEB: 16568 \$349,995. Stan Sawyer

G. NEW PRICE MARINA LOT 5 Choice canalfront. WEB: 8EMEVIC \$255,000. Stan Sawyer

H. ROCK POINT LOT 7 & 8 Waterfront 90 feet. WEB: 16372 \$159,500. each Stan Sawyer

I. BANYAN MULTI-FAMILY LOTS 19 & 20 40,575 sf next to golf course and beach. WEB: 20600 \$500,000. Stan Sawyer

J. BLOCK 1 LOT 98 & 99 Best priced Single Family Lots in Treasure Cay. WEB: 19715 \$50,000. Stan Sawyer

BLOCK 160 MULTI FAMILY LOT 145 ft of beach, almost an acre! build townhouses, condos or estate home. WEB: ERV2XP \$1.25m. Stan Sawyer

TURTLE ROCKS WEST LOT C 2.5 acres Waterfront \$279,000. Marcellus Roberts

C. CANAL FRONT LOTS AT GALLEON BAY, BLOCK 199 - Lots 34, 35 & 37 Starting at \$315,200. WEB: 26623 Marcellus Roberts

LOT 63, BLOCK 1 Cleared corner lot 10,371 square feet located just 5 minutes away from TC Beach WEB: 27882 \$54,500. Marcellus Roberts

LOT 25, BLOCK 203 111 feet of water frontage, 65 foot dock, a boat lift, 18,706 sq. ft. cleared and ready to build. WEB: 30702 \$272,700. M. Roberts

### GREEN TURTLE CAY

SUNRISE BEACH 292 feet of Beachfront. WEB: 21695 \$595,000. S. Sawyer  
Lot A 15,600 sf 65' waterfront, 30' elevation. WEB: 26419 \$159,000. M. Roberts

**GUANA CAY**

BOAT HARBOUR #1 Waterfront 21,750 sf. WEB: 23968 \$185,000. C. Albury

BOAT HARBOUR Lot 6 Large 18,590 Sq. Ft. parcel. \$70,000. B. Albury

GUANA CAY HOME 3b 2b w/ 69' frontage w/ dock \$265,000. S. Sawyer

Lot C10 82ft of Sea of Abaco frontage. WEB: 27060 \$295,000. C. Albury

Lot 4 South End 12,635 sf lot w/ ocean views. WEB: WYGGNQ \$770,000. C. Albury

Lot 8 Orchid Bay 119 acres elevated beachfront. WEB: Z9W99E \$640,000. C. Albury

Lot 32 & 32A 90 feet on water. WEB: 11833 \$500,000. Jane Patterson

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# LIFESTYLES

## Community Celebrates Murphy Town Day



The Murphy Town community came together on October 11 at the site of the under-construction town center to socialize, eat and play games like sack race and egg carry (above right.)

*By Mirella Santillo*

On October 11, a crowd of Murphy Town residents flocked to the site of the new Murphy Town Community Center (still under construction) located on Forest Drive to enjoy the festivities of Murphy Town Day, an event organized by the

Murphy Town Association together with the Murphy Town Committee.

The vast grounds with ample parking were the perfect setting for children's activities, a food display and bar, the latter well away from the bouncing castle and the area where children games were taking

place. People relaxed under tents, socializing or participating in intense games of dominos.

Matthew Taylor, the emcee for the day, directed the children's games, which included the egg and spoon race, the two legged race, and the bag race.

Henley Dawkins was manning the barbecue and two tables displaying an array of Bahamian food were well attended by customers. People even came as far as Marsh Harbour to take out chicken, ribs, or fried fish dinners.

Addressing the crowd, Mr. Taylor explained that the Community Center was designed as a legacy to the children of Murphy Town.

"The focus of the Community Center is to hold events for the kids, as well as boosting the economy of the community among ourselves," Mr. Taylor elaborated.

He mentioned that there will be a Halloween function and further down the road a Market Day.

Aside from the games, children also enjoyed watching farm animals such as goats and piglets.

In the late afternoon, the Dawkins sisters treated the assembly to a Gospel Singing performance.

For the past few years, Mr. Gilbert Davis, the Murphy Town Committee Chairman has been very involved in overseeing the construction of the Community Center, even helping with building during his free time.

The building is under a roof, but there is quite a lot of finishing work to be done inside. Mr. Davis said that he would like the Center to be completed by December.

### RELAY

to residents afflicted by the disease.

Mrs. Austin not only monitored the event but she also held the finish line rope, registering people in the order of their arrival.

As they reached back the registration table, participants were offered cupcakes.

Back in the Church Hall, people could buy chicken souse and Johnny cake – again as a fundraising effort.

By 8:30am, everyone had returned and Mrs. Austin was calling the participants to announce the winners in each category.

In the under twelve category, the winner was Malick Martin; in the under twenty's the first place went to Prince Pena from Agape Christian School; Stephan Johnson, also from ACS, won the under 30; Jasmin Curry came first in the under forty. Inspector Murphy took the first place in the under fifty.

Ray Clarke took the over fifty's first place.

The relay race's first place went to the Defense Rangers and Ivan Curry from Patrick Bethel High school won the overall race.

The winners were gifted a bag of items compliments of Baptist Health Hospital.

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# BUSINESS

## D'AGUILAR

paying salaries. BahamasAir, for example, spent ~\$100 million dollars in recent years to purchase five new planes bringing the fleet total up to eight – however BahamasAir has 869 employees. He said it put government in a difficult position between cost-cutting and putting Bahamians out of work.

Min. D'Aguilar spoke about how the United States manages Bahamian airspace and collects the fees from airlines for itself. The Bahamas hopes to negotiate in the coming months to control its own airspace, collect the fees and pay the USA to manage the airspace from those fees – resulting in a net gain for The Bahamas. This, the Minister said, is his number one goal and he meets with the International Civil Aviation Organization later this year.

Speaking as the Minister of Tourism, D'Aguilar also said he met with representatives of AirBnB, an online marketplace for rental homes and short term leases, that has been disrupting the traditional hotel business in The Bahamas. AirBnB said they would not collect VAT, due to accounting issues revolving around valuing homes that are rented, but would collect a simpler shared economy tax on behalf of the government and remit it to the Bahamian Treasury.

D'Aguilar also said he wants to cut back on burdensome regulations on the second home market. He wants to instead allow the free-market more room to regu-



As a sponsor of the events, Aliv provided several raffle prizes as names were drawn from business cards. Sky Bahamas also provided a raffle prize of round trip tickets.

late itself via property reviews. He said the current checklist of regulations, and noted government inefficiencies, is too large a barrier to entry to the market.

The audience had a question and answer session followed by a raffle drawing. Patrons had placed business cards in a raffle earlier in the evening.

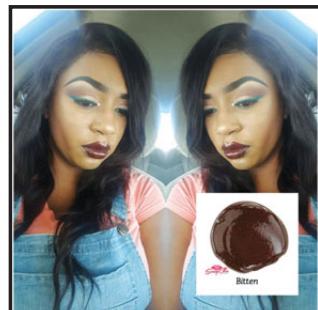
The Abaco Chamber of Commerce has made a concerted effort this year to reach out to the business community throughout "all of Abaco" including far north, south and the Cays.

The event was sponsored by Aliv, Sea Spray Resort & Marina, Albury's Ferry and Abaco Print Shop.



Min. D'Aguilar speaking to a local tour guide - Glender Knowles.

## Abaco Businesswoman Develops Home-Based Cosmetic Line



In this photo, Jigeria is wearing one of her Sassy Chic lip glosses called Bitten. This lip gloss is very rich and is worn along with one of her popular gel eyeliners called Mermaid.

By Canishka Alexander

Sassy Chic is the name of Jigeria Dean's cosmetic line, and she holds fast to her company's slogan that "Makeup is art; beauty is passion."

After only seven months in business, but with three years of experience in the cosmetic industry overall, 24-year-old Jigeria shared how the idea for her cosmetic line came about.

Quite simply, it was love.

"I just loved playing with makeup as

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US\$845,000

Great Abaco Club | MLS# 30090



"On The Rocks" 2beds/2baths

\$799,000

Eastern Shores | MLS# 28248



"Rocky Summit" 3beds/2baths

\$215,000

Sweeting's Village | MLS# 29793



"Sea Winds" 3beds/3baths

\$675,000

Great Guana Cay | MLS# 31195



"Hilltop House" 3beds/3baths

\$325,000

Cove Estates, MH | MLS# 27576



"Spinnaker Point" 3 beds/3baths

\$495,000

Great Abaco Club | MLS# 30462

MLS #	Location	Property Description	Price
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#### UNDER CONTRACT OR SOLD

29746	Winding Bay	"Heaven on Earth" 4 beds, 4 baths,	\$2,499,000
29499	Pelican Shores	Lot #4, 162' harbourfront with dock next to Jib Room	\$350,000
25155	Bah. Coral Isl.	Duplex - 5beds/3baths, 2,609 sq.ft. on lot #12	\$180,000
17839	Sunrise Bay	Lot #4, 11,238 sq.ft. 70' from beach, community Dock	\$159,000
25349	Royal Harbour	Lot #C1 - 8,628 sq.ft. commercial lot	\$145,000
28648	G. Guana Cay	Hilltop Lot #P2, amazing views, 17,885 sq.ft. arc.	\$119,000
28626	G. Guana Cay	Sunrise Cottage in the Settlement	\$210,000



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30268	High Rocks	3B/2B, fenced, landscaped 1 acre	\$775,000
30057	Royal Harb. Vil.	3B/2B, swimming pool, picket fenced yard.	USD \$698,000
29819	Great Cistern	3B/3B, 170' waterfront, 1+ acre, dock + 2nd lot	\$649,000
30269	High Rocks	"The Chalet" Triplex, 6 beds/6 baths	\$599,000
29023	M. Harbour	"Heavenly Cove" 3B/2B, Swim. pool, Fenced, Landscaped	\$299,000
15783	M. Harbour	Duplex, 2B/1B & 1B/1B, 9,600 sq.ft. lot, fenced	\$235,000
29370	Cove Estates	2B/2.5B, stucco finish, nice porch, corner lot	\$225,000
25441	Regattas	Condo #302, 2B/2B, 1st. floor, pool, beach & tennis	\$210,000
30819	Regattas	Condo #206, 2B/2B, 2nd. floor, pool, beach & tennis	\$199,000
29269	Bah. Coral Isl.	Home on lot #25, Block S, 4B/2B, 3,000 sq.ft. well, sea	\$170,000
30256	Regattas	Condo #16, 2B/2B, Seaview, pool, beach & tennis. USD	\$149,000



"Grouper Therapy" 4 beds/4baths

\$729,000

Great Abaco Club | MLS# 29193

#### LOTS FOR SALE NEAR MARSH HARBOUR

27651	Eastern Shores Tract A4	17,002 sq.ft. Sea to Sea, stunning views	\$420,000
29523	G. Abaco Club	Lot #48 - 7,583 sq.ft. 50' waterfront canal, elevation	\$270,000
29526	G. Abaco Club	Lot #49 - 7,127 sq.ft. 50' waterfront canal, elevation	\$270,000
	G. Abaco Club	Both lot#48 and #49 (above) together, 14,710 sq.ft.	\$513,000
31080	St. Bonnets Rd	Lot D2 34,252 sq.ft. Multi family lot or rental units	\$149,000
28018	Sunrise Bay	Lot #12, 13,228 sq.ft., Gated comm., with docks & beach	\$199,000
28555	High Rocks	Interior Parcel - 24,144, sq.ft. quiet, elev. waterviews	\$125,000
25351	High Rocks	Large waterfront lot - 1,1 acres. 174' waterfr., near ferries	\$475,000
26093	Royal Harbour	Lot #26, 14,583 sq.ft., short walk to restaurants & shops	\$119,000
25352	High Rocks	Lot #1, - 4,119 sq.ft. cornerlot, util. nearby, walk to ferries	\$ 55,000
25354	High Rocks	Lot #2, - 4,119 sq.ft. util. nearby, walk to ferries	\$ 55,000



"Shaws House" 3beds/3baths

\$625,000

Eastern Shores | MLS# 26573

#### LOTS FOR SALE ON GREAT GUANA CAY

30463	G. Guana Cay	Beach Front Lot, #1 Dolphin Beach Estates, 22,920 sq.ft.	\$350,000
29215	G. Guana Cay	Near Nipper's, 100' beachfront, 29,308 sq.ft. elevated	\$295,000
14957	G. Guana Cay	Orchid Bay Lot C3, 10,834 sq.ft. waterfront, gated comm.	\$245,000
24114	G.Guana Cay	Orchid Bay Lot C4, 11,451 sq.ft. waterfront, gated comm.	\$245,000
30937	G. Guana Cay	Lot #8 on the South End, 18,487 sq.ft. beach access	\$125,000
30562	G. Guana Cay	Lot #18 Ocean R. Estate, 11,131 sq.ft., Hilltop, Boat slip	\$100,000
29934	G. Guana Cay	Lot #12, Interior Lot, 14,276 sq.ft. near Boat Harbour	\$ 79,000
28353	G. Guana Cay	Susan's Cove, Lot #8, 15,178 sq.ft. Sea & Ocean View	\$ 75,000
29447	G. Guana Cay	Boat Harbour area, great views, hillside, near ocean	\$ 69,000
28985	G. Guana Cay	Orchid Bay Village, Lot #V19, 7,061 sq.ft. quiet street	\$ 57,000
27661	G. Guana Cay	Guana Sea Side Village Lot 7, 3,125 sq.ft. Bring offer!	\$ 39,500



"Abaco Sea Fan" 2beds/2baths

\$359,000

Great Guana Cay | MLS# 28912

#### REDUCED!

26175	G. Guana Cay	Lot 28 & 28 B, Waterfront on Fisher's Bay 23,873 sq.ft	\$259,000
26405	G. Guana Cay	Susan's Cove - Lot #4, 15,176 sq.ft. elev. steps from ocean	\$ 65,000
26407	G. Guana Cay	Susan's Cove - Lot #5, 22,656 sq.ft. elevated, corner	\$ 65,000
31115	G. Guana Cay	Lot #26 - 7,922 sq.ft. - In the Settlement, steps from beach	\$ 55,000
25970	G. Guana Cay	Lot #14, Dolphin Beach Estate, 11,359 sq.ft.	\$ 55,000



"Marsh Mellow" 3beds/3.5baths

\$649,000

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#### LOTS FOR SALE ON ELBOW CAY & TILLOO CAY

25221	Tilloo Cay	Pristine parcel, 4,267 Acres, elevated, Sea to Sea	\$395,000
28978	Elbow Cay	Dorros Cove, Hilltop Lot #43, 16,089 sq.ft., private boat	\$225,000



"Grander" 3beds/2baths

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Great Abaco Club | MLS# 29793

#### LOTS FOR SALE ON GREAT ABACO NORTH

17283	Leisure Lee	Dual access Turtle Rocks Hilltop, near beach	\$ 34,995
28573	Joe's Creek	100' beachfront, stunning views, 20 min from MH	\$149,000
29274	Bah. Coral Isl.	Double Lot #5 and #6, Blk P Sec 3, 26,000+ sq.ft. elec.	\$ 55,000
29272	Bah. Coral Isl.	Lot #30, Blk O Sec 3, 10,200 sq.ft. beach.	\$ 29,500
29273	Bah. Coral Isl.	Lot #32, Blk O Sec 3, 10,200 sq.ft. beach.	\$ 29,500
29275	Bah. Coral Isl.	Lot #2 or #3, Blk P Sec 3, 16,000 sq.ft. Hilltop, Each	\$ 29,500
29277	Bah. Coral Isl.	Lot #7 or #8, Blk P Sec 3, 16,000 sq.ft. Each	\$ 29,000



"Sur La Mer" 2beds/2baths

\$599,000

Eastern Shores | MLS# 15269

#### LOTS FOR SALE ON GREAT ABACO SOUTH

30747	Cherokee	"North Cay" Private 42,8 acres, pavillion, ramp, bone fish	\$1,600,000
26841	Old Kerr	Parcel 14 acres with 209' beach front, hillside	\$248,500
29442	Long Beach	Lot #31, amazing Atlantic Views, quiet beach community	\$ 75,000
28765	Bah. Palm Sh.	Lot #6, Blk 16 sec 3 - 15,623 sqft. quiet beach community	\$ 38,500
28909	Long Beach	Lot #115 - 9,500 sq.ft. underground utilities, near beach	\$ 35,000
28910	Long Beach	Lot #381, hillside, underg. util. quiet beach community	\$ 27,900
27444	Long Beach	Lot #382 Hillside, underg. util. quiet beach community	\$ 27,900
28091	Bah. Palm Sh.	Lot #19 - Blk 9 sec 3 - 10,000 sq.ft. quiet beach community	\$ 18,000



Priced to sell - 4beds/2baths

\$175,000

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#### LEASES ON ABACO

24751	Regattas	2B/2B, condo, pool, beach & tennis 1,400/wk, per month	\$ 2,500
25256	Sugar Loaf C.	2.5 acres Estate, waterfr., dock, beach, 1,600-2,000/wk, mo:	\$ 4,400



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**"Perfect Place"** - #2831 -Elegantly furnished 4bed,3.5 bath main beach house, 1 bath pool house, 3 bed, 3 bath guest house, 8,300 s/f under air, 230' beach frontage, 1,474 s/f landscaped acres. Auxiliary generator. **\$3,695,000.**

**"Casa Pitir", Ocean Blvd.** #2334 - Luxurious 5 bed, 5.5 bath, 5,234 s/f furnished beachfront estate home, 51,452 s/f landscaped lot w/110' beach frontage, guest house & 2 double garages. OWNER FINANCING AVAILABLE! **\$2,995,000.**

**"Girasole"** #1551- Elegant 4 bed, 4.5 bath Italian style beach home, & 2 bed, 2 bath guesthouse, furnished, 45,000 s/f landscaped grounds, 100' + beach frontage. **\$2,950,000.**

**"Beached"** #3251- Luxurious, recently built, "turn-key" furnished 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath, beachfront home on Windward Beach. 3,452 s/f under air, plus 1,420 s/f garage & porches. Superior construction, 21,000 s/f parcel, pristine sand beach frontage. Fantastic views. **\$2,495,000.**

**"Turtle View"** - #3442 : 3 Bed 2 Bath Elegantly furnished home on Treasure Cay Beach. 722 sq. ft. under air w/ 550 s/f of covered porch, plus 531 s/f garage. Lot size of 13,800/- s/f. Magnificent beach views. **\$2,495,000.**

**"Water's Edge"** - #3436 : 3 Bed 2 Full Bath w/ additional 2 half-baths luxuriously furnished beach home. 5,181 sq. ft. under air. w/ 793 sq. ft. 2 car garage. Sits on two lots for a total size of 48,213.96 sq. ft. w/ 242.33 of beach frontage. Magnificent Beach and Oceanic Views. **\$2,495,000.**

**"Sunshine" Ocean View Home** - #2951-3 bedroom, 3 bath, well maintained, fully furnished 3 s/f home, plus 586 s/f covered porches, plus garage on 3 lots. Beach access, Just a 1 minute walk to Treasure Cay Beach. **\$2,289,000.**

**"The Kashbah"** #3409 - 4 bed 4.5 bath, Windward Beach home, with an additional 2 bed 1 bath guest house. 104.02 feet of beach frontage. Scenic beach and oceanic views. Lot size of 18,229 sq. ft. w/ 6716 Total sq. footage of both houses. **\$2,100,000.**

**1 Ocean Blvd.** - #3389 : Fully furnished 5 bed 3 bath beach front house on Ocean Blvd. 2,090 s/f living space, 760 s/f car garage. 2 lots, 42,109 s/f, 70 feet beach frontage. Beautiful beach and turquoise sea views. **\$1,849,000.**

**"Serenity Beach"** - #3313 - Luxurious 4 bed, 3.5 bath, 3,000 s/f furnished home on 150' sandy beach frontage. Recently renovated, many extras, 30 KW generator, double garage, extensive open decks, great sea & beach views. **\$1,875,000.**

**"Beach Place"** #3323- 3 bed, 3.5 bath, 2,079 s/f elevated, furnished beach house, 53' beach frontage, 106' road frontage, 12,640 s/f beach parcel, Superior panoramic sea & beach views. Vacation rental income potential. **\$1,775,000.**

**"Windward Palms"** - #1454 - Great 3 bed, 2 bath, furnished beachfront home, 2,500 s/f under roof, 1,300 s/f open patios. 16,000 s/f parcel, 100' sandy frontage on Windward Beach. Excellent elevations, auxiliary generator. **\$1,295,000.**

**"Harbour's Edge"** - #2000 - 3 bed, 3 bath furnished Harbour from Home, panoramic harbour views, 3,033 s/f under roof, 15,210 s/f landscaped parcel, 90' deep water frontage. **\$869,000.**

**"Timeless" Brigantine Bay Canal Home** #2982 - 3 bed, 3 bath, elegantly furnished 2,300 s/f under air, plus patios, double garage, dock side fish house. 13,250 s/f lot w/80' canal/front/dock. Auxiliary generator, golf cart. **\$859,000.**

**"The Cottages 9"** - #3154 - 4 bed, 3 bath, 2,900 s/f elegantly furnished 2 long beach home Includes community pools, landscaped grounds, fantastic sea views. **\$769,000.**

**Thompson Beach Cottage** : #2084 3 bed, 2 bath turnkey furnished beachfront home, 9,000 s/f parcel with 103' sandy beach frontage. Spectacular sea views. **\$769,000.**

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**"Blue Lagoon"** #3000 - 3 bed, 2 bath, Sea of Abaco waterfront home, 1,664 s/f living area w/ 3rd level bedrooms. 1,040 s/f covered porches. Semi furnished. Panoramic sea views pool, 16,200 s/f lot w/114' sea frontage. **\$598,000.**

**"Dash" Ocean Blvd.** #3262 - 6 bed, 4 bath, partially furnished 2 level home. 3,447 s/f under air, plus 1,880 s/f porches & double garage. 11,520 s/f lot just 300' from beach access. **\$599,000.**

**Beach Villa #591** - #3449 - Fully furnished 2 bed 2 bath, 1,336 sq. ft. beach villa on Treasure Cay Beach. Magnificent beach and oceanic views. Excellent vacation rental income potential. **\$595,000.**

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###### Houses

**"Sunrise Dunes"** - Beach Villa 716 - 3 bed, 2 bath, 875 s/f furnished beachfront villa, over the sand dunes from TC beach. Enjoys privacy and vacation rental income. **\$469,000.**

**Ocean Villas 913** # 3100: 2 bed, 2 bath tastefully furnished 900 s/f villa. Well maintained, sea views, 1 minute walk to beach. Excellent vacation rental income earner. Includes auxiliary backup generator. **\$389,000.**

**"Elysium"** #1460 - 4 bed, 2 bath, 2,840 s/f under roof furnished home on 2 lots (22,000 s/f) on Ocean Blvd.

Includes double garage. Close to beach. **\$349,000.**

**Beach Villas 676** : #2488 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1,250 s/f fully furnished villa near beach & pool. Owner occupied. Large lot. Excellent rental income potential. **\$299,000.**

**"The Wright Place"** - 3398 : Fully furnished 3 bed 3 bath 1297 s/f house located on 3 Marlin Drive, on 2 lots totaling 25,600 s/f. Near the beach, golf course, marina. **\$299,000.**

#1898 - **"Starfish Cottage"** Beach Villa 503A & B

2 adjoining, self contained 1 bed, 1 bath furnished villas near beach. Great Rental Income Potential. **\$279,000.**

**"Happy Ours"** #2282 - Appealing 3 bedroom, 3 bath 1,925 s/f furnished home, including garage, near beach & golf course. Large 11,200 s/f lot with 160' depth. Low maintenance home & yard. **\$269,900.**

**Beach Villa #536** - #3447 - Fully furnished 2 bed 2 bath 875 sq. ft. beach villa near Treasure Cay Beach. Excellent

vacation rental income potential. **\$239,000.**

**Beach Villa 634** - #3393: 2 bed, 2 bath renovated & furnished 1,070 s/f villa near beach. Well maintained, excellent rental income potential. **\$229,000.**

**Beach Villa 607** - #1982 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 900 s/f villa, furnished near beach, pool, shops & marina. **\$229,000.**

**Beach Villa #661** - #3388 - Fully furnished 2 bed 2 bath 771 sq. ft. beach villa near Treasure Cay Beach. Excellent

vacation rental income potential. **\$199,000.**

**Beach Villa 643** : #3312 - Footprint Design Unit, A clean slate to create your own 768 s/f floor plan. Includes lots 13 & 14. Option to expand existing villa &/or build additional units. **\$189,000.**

**"Sand Dollar"** - Beach Villa 673: #3326 - 2 bed, 2 bath, 1,000 s/f furnished villa recently refurbished. Near beach, tennis courts, community pool, golf & shopping. **\$179,000.**

**Condos**

**Bahama Beach Club 2087** - #2872 - 4 bedroom, 3 bath exceptionally large 2,250 s/f ground level furnished beach condo, plus carport & separate garage. Exceptional sea & beach views. **\$1,399,000.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2004** - #2952 - 5 bed, 4 bath, 2,842 s/f furnished 2nd level well maintained beachfront condo with loft. Exceptionally spacious, awesome beach, pool & ocean views. Includes garage. **\$195,000.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2051** - #2695 - 3 bed, 3 bath, 1,750 s/f furnished ground level condo in Phase 5. Well maintained, excellent vacation rental income potential, access to all complex amenities. **\$739,000.**

**Bahamas Beach Club 2077** - #3361 : 3 Bed, 3 Bath 1,650 s/f easily accessible ground level, "turn-key" furnished beachfront condo. Beautiful beach, pool and sea views. Includes golf cart and garage. **\$735,000.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2062** - #3206: Well maintained 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2nd level, 1,650 s/f elegantly furnished beach condo. Includes garage. Fantastic sea, beach & pool views. Excellent vacation rental income potential **\$699,000.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2071** - #3123: 3 bed, 3 bath ground level 1,650 s/f beach condo. Professionally decorated, meticulously maintained, superior pool & sea views. Includes garage & water-sport "toys". **\$689,000.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2066** - #2994 - 4 bed, 3 bath, 1,650 s/f luxurious 2nd level beach condo. Tastefully furnished, with garage. Spectacular pool, sea & beach views. **\$632,500.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2020** - #1139 - 3 bed, 2 bath, 1,650 s/f 2nd level beach condo, with a garage. Elegantly decorated. Superior beach & ocean views. **\$599,000.**

**Palm Bay #3** - #2820 : 4 Bed 3.5 Bath 2,077 sq. ft. 2 level condo. Includes private slip water boat slip and boat lift. Near shopping centre. Magnificent water views. **\$599,000.**

**Bahama Beach Club 2080** - #2893 - 4 bed, 3 bath, 1,650 s/f tastefully furnished 2nd level beach condo. Fantastic sea & beach views. Excellent rental income potential. **\$595,000.**

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# LOCAL NEWS

## COSMETIC

a kid, and after selling cosmetic products for over a year, I said to myself, 'Some day I want to be selling my own cosmetic line because if I could sell other people's products, I could sell my own,'" Jigeria recalled.

"Makeup is my dream, so I just pushed myself harder each and every day to make my dreams come true," she added. "I inspired people by telling them they did not need a lot of makeup because they are naturally beautiful. Once you have on a very nice lipstick or lip gloss, or mascara to lighten up your eyes and a little face powder, it will light up your whole face."

While developing her home-based cosmetic line, Jigeria set out to become more knowledgeable about the makeup industry. Being in the makeup industry, she learned about different skin tones, textures and shades; products that are good for dry and oily skin; fashionable colours worn during each season; and how to select colours that perfectly compliment people's eye colour.

Sassy Chic launched with 14 shades of liquid matte lipsticks, six shades of lip gloss, five shades of regular lipstick and eight shades of gel eye liners. Her cosmetics cater to the needs of women who wear makeup every day as well as those who wear it for special occasions only.

"I have plans to expand my line, but I am taking it one day at a time," she reiterated. "I am now working on other products for the new year such as foundations, face powder, highlighters, etc."

Jigeria considers her products as safe to use because they cause no break outs, and are made from ingredients like seed oil and mineral oil. To gain additional knowledge and for the further development of her cosmetic line, she continues to travel to makeup shows around the world.

Her daily mantra is "makeup is a girl's best friend," and she absolutely loves to see a smile on other women's faces knowing that they are confident because they look their best wearing Sassy Chic products.

Another reason behind her customers' smiles is one of her best sellers – the liquid matte lipsticks.

"The liquid matte lipsticks are all-day wear, and the colours are popping. They are bold, very smooth and easy to apply," she shared. "My customers love them because they last all day. Once you put it on, you don't need to re-apply them."

Still, the lipsticks aren't the only thing that has her customers smiling. The products are reasonably priced, so the customers receive value for their money.

Compared to her competition's products, Jigeria said that with a cosmetic line that is fairly new on the market, she is satisfied with the sales she has made so far. In addition to the products she offers, her services extend to makeup application for weddings, birthday, showers, Halloween, Bahamas Junkanoo Carnival or any other special occasion.

"Makeup is my dream," she reiterated. "I don't only sell it, I apply it also."

Jigeria who travels back and forth between Abaco and New Providence pro-

motes her cosmetic line mainly on social media via her Facebook business page – @sassythic – or Instagram @sassythic242. She also advertises her line by wearing her products daily. Purchases can be made locally, and for online orders, the company ships to the Family Islands as well.

If you are interested in purchasing products from Sassy Chic, contact Jigeria Dean at 1(242) 458-0358, or send an email to: sassythic242@gmail.com



*Above: Sangia Mitchell has an innate ability to make guests from all over the world feel welcome and special.*

## New Business: Shooters Billiard

*By Canishka Alexander*

Owned by Melinda Williams and Alpachino Kemp, Shooters Billiard Pool Hall, Bar and Restaurant opened for business on Oct. 13. Shooters is located in Central Pines in the Teacher's and Salaried Workers Building Complex, Suite # 8.

Equipped with a darts hall as well at its spacious location, Shooters also offers a specialty menu with flavoured wings, lobster and conch wraps and mouth-watering burgers. Be sure to ask for the house drink: Shooters Water.

Open daily including holidays, Shooters business hours are from 11 a.m. to midnight. Telephone contact is 1(242) 699-1425.

The first Shooters' Pool Tournament is scheduled for Nov. 11.

## Abaco Beach Resort Names New Lead Employee

*Press Release*

Bahamian owned Abaco Beach Resort recently promoted Sangia Mitchell to Catering, Food & Beverage Lead Employee. Mitchell has been working at the Abaco Beach Resort since 2008 where she started out as a bartender. Her career path has been on a steady upward trend as she has excelled with each training opportunity provided by the resort, moving from bartender to activities assistant to pool attendant.

Sangia's innate ability to make guests from all over the world feel welcome and special convinced management that she

was deserving of this promotion. From the first year of her employment her supervisors have known that Ms Mitchell's outgoing personality, determination and hard work were the qualities that would take her far in the hospitality business.

"What I enjoy most about the company is knowing that we can pull together as one and that the person I'm doing the job for is going to be happy. I want to do something that I know I can do well and Abaco Beach Resort allows me to really wow my guests" says Mitchell. She also stated that she looks forward to learning more in her new position as she will have further opportunities to develop her client communication skills and present herself as the young professional that she is.

"I've had the opportunity to work with Sangia for a few months and I recognize what a dedicated and excellent team member she is here at Abaco Beach Resort," General Manager Kashmie Ali says. "I look forward to the opportunity to continue guiding her towards and helping her achieve her goals in this organization."

Mitchell aims to one day become the banquet and catering manager at Abaco Beach Resort. A graduate of Abaco Central High, Mitchell started her working career at the now-closed Hummingbird restaurant where her mother was a chef. As a waitress Mitchell found that interacting with guests and providing them with a stellar hospitality experience was where she wanted her career to go and she is finding that at Abaco Beach Resort.

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# LOCAL NEWS

## Possible Meteorite Strikes Construction Site in Hope Town



*An object believed to be a meteorite struck a roof under construction near-by the crew.*

*By Timothy Roberts*

Workers at a construction site in Hope Town were greeted with a surprise on October 23, 2017 just as they arrived to begin work when an object believed to be a fragment of a meteorite slammed into the recently erected roof not far from the crew.

Todd Cash, Owner of Abaco Construction Company in Hope Town, said that the object, about the size of a golf ball, reportedly hit the plywood which was just recently put on the home and was wedged in the hole it made.

He said that the worker who discovered it, and now has the

keep-sake in his possession, said it was too hot to touch initially.

While it has not yet been scientifically examined to verify where it came from, NEMA (The National Emergency Management Agency) noted that coincidentally, one of the year's best shows peaked between October 20 and 22 when the Ori-

nid meteor shower reached its best viewing.

In their statement that said that meteorites surviving to hit the ground is an extremely rare event and that more than 90 percent of meteorites are comprised of rock, while the remainder consists wholly or partly of iron and nickel.

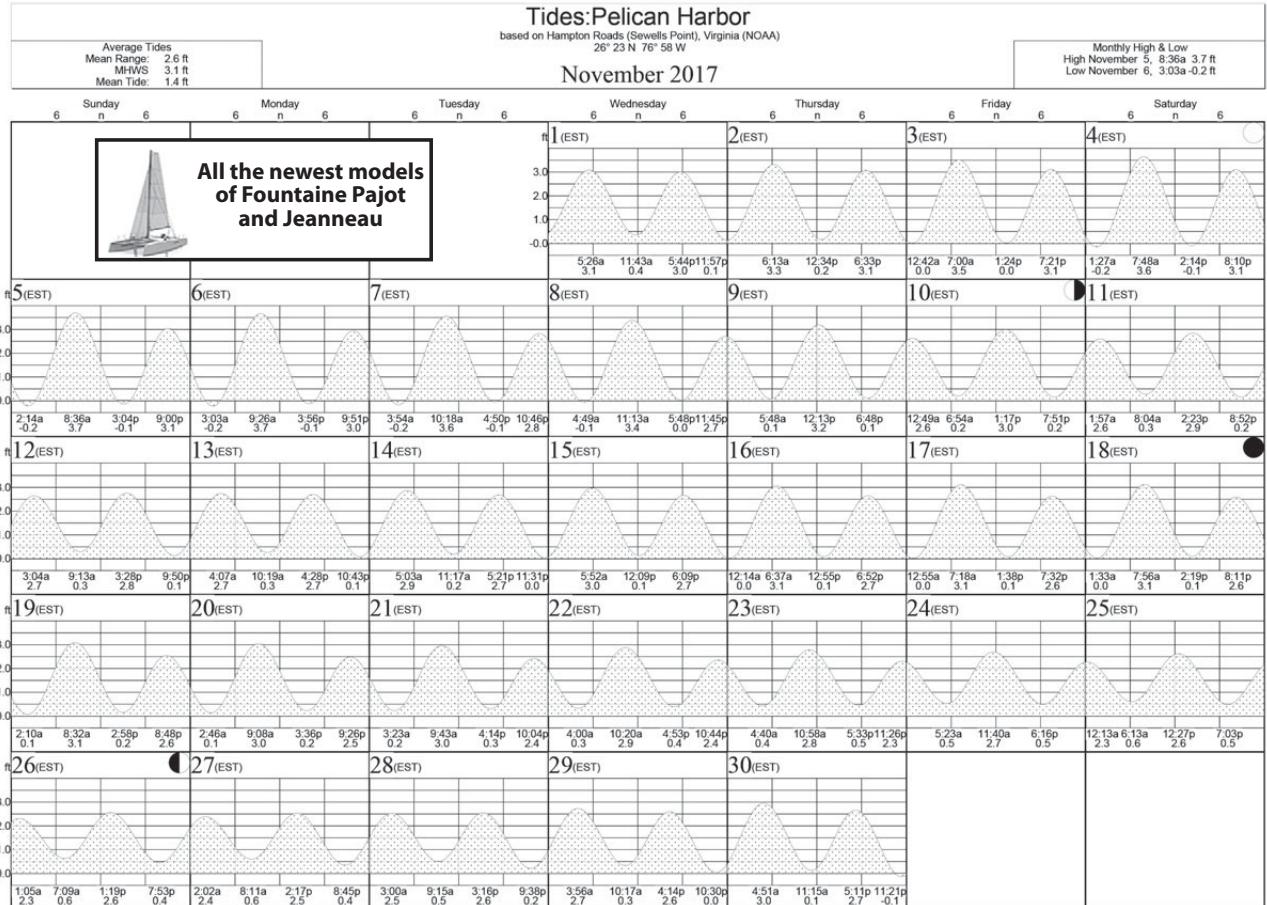
"The one that fell in Abaco was comprised wholly of iron. It is extremely rare for a meteorite to survive the passage through the earth's atmosphere to strike planet earth because the majority of them are burned up as they pass through the earth's atmosphere," they statement read.

"The meteors that streak across the sky are some of the fastest and brightest among meteor showers because the Earth is hitting a stream of particles almost head-on. It is speculated that perhaps this meteorite might have come from this meteor shower."



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# LIFESTYLES

## New Justice of the Peace Sworn In

*By Canishka Alexander*

William Anthony Davis has been appointed a Justice of the Peace (JP) for the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

Upon a recommendation given by a member of the Government, and approved by the Cabinet, Davis received instruments of instructions from the Attorney General's Office effective Aug. 8.

He received his personal seal as a Justice of the Peace, and was officially sworn in last month (Oct. 23) at the Administrator's Office by Senior Deputy Family Island Administrator Maxine Duncombe.



William Anthony Davis, JP.

## Pilot Club Members Involved in Charitable Projects Throughout the Year



Pilot Club of Abaco members shipping goods to assist hurricane victims in the southern Bahamas. (L to r) Abaco Pilot Club President Barbara Williams; Charlotte Swann; Aquilla Jones; Keora Archer; Lorna Rolle; and Augustine Williams.

*By Canishka Alexander*

Members of the Pilot Club of Abaco remain busy throughout the year as they engage in various fundraising activities and social initiatives under the leadership of President Barbara Williams.

Last month, several Pilots volunteered at a Back-to-School event in North Abaco, and a Pilots' Training took place later that day to kick off the organization's 2017-2018 year.

Then on Oct. 18, celebrations for Founder's Day 2017 took place at the Conch Inn and Marina during their monthly business meeting. Pilot Keora Archer was honoured as the Club Ambassador 2017 - 2018! Members enjoyed light refreshments and fellowship to commemorate Founder's Day.

"Just as our Founders were proud of the organization they created almost 100

**PILOT**

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# LOCAL NEWS

## PILOT

years ago, they would be equally proud of the organization it has become," Keora expressed through the Pilot Club of Abaco's Facebook page. "As Pilots, we continue to give back to our community, and serve as we are called to serve. The original vision of Pilot still burns brightly, and we are eager to "Do More. Care More. Be More."

A day later, Pilots were at it again extending care to families in their time of need. They sent a donation of clothing and shoes from the Pilot Club of Abaco to hurricane-ravaged victims in the southern Bahamas.

Pilot International's focus is to positively impact the lives of countless individuals around the globe and promote awareness for the demands and challenges they face every day. Its members

uplift and appreciate caregivers by providing needed services or small gifts to brighten their day, which are also known as Pick Me Ups.

"Our service model fosters a diverse group of people who care for their communities and want to make the world a better place. We are proud of our multi-generational membership and our dedication to service in our communities worldwide. In essence, Pilot is a family that cares for

each other and our communities around the world. Our Pick Me Up program is an extension of the many ways we care," Keora expressed.

The Pilot Club of Abaco thanked Dean's Shipping Co. Ltd. and the Abaco Shoe Gallery for their support in this project. Their next upcoming fundraiser is a Comedy Show featuring Will Stubbs and David Wallace on Nov. 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Anglican Parish Hall. Tickets are \$20, and part proceeds will assist victims in the southern Bahamas affected by hurricanes.



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## Administrator Tours Historic Man-O-War

## IMMIGRATION

country.

Many surmised that the move was a desperate attempt to revive plummeting approval ratings for the Minnis administration, and expressed outrage that the Haitian community was still being scapegoated for the nation's ills.

Ms. Jean continued: "I want this message to go into the government's ears, the Prime Minister, because he spoke to me at the rally here before the election. (Dr. Minnis) He said where you from, I said Farm Road, he said you know me well, I said yeah I know you well.

"That Prime Minister job is not Minnis position, Minnis should have stayed where he was, you're a doctor stay right there. They don't give no chance to nobody else, the pot only boiling one side some get, some don't get none, some are dying. Dr. Minnis catch your sense because you're dealing with Haitians, remember, that's a nation that's not scared of suffering.

"We will have an answer for you in the next five years," Ms. Jean added, "put that to your head and thank you very much."



*Administrator Maxine Duncombe was interested in seeing Man-O-War recently. Chief Councillor Jeremy Sweeting is seen here, during the tour, showing her the special plaque that commemorates town elders that is located in the grave yard.*

## Hotels and House Rental Agents

### Area Code 242 unless listed otherwise

#### Island-wide Abaco Listings

Abaco Cottage	114 hse	366-0576
Abaco Vacation Planner +	25 hse	367-3529

#### Casuarina Point

Sea Grape/Coco Plum	2 Units	367-2107
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#### Cherokee

Lee Pinder	3 hse	366-2053
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Marina Albury Cottages	5 cottages	366-2075
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#### Grand Cay

Rosie's Place		352-5458
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#### Green Turtle Cay

Abaco Breeze	13 hse	577-4570
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Bluff House Club	12 units	365-4200
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Cocobay Cottages	6 cott	800-752-0166
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Green Turtle Club	35 rm	365-4271
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Island Properties	34 hse	365-4047
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Leeward Yacht Club	5 hse	365-4191
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Ocean Blue Properties	34 hse	365-4636
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Other Shore Club		365-4226
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Roberts Cottages	3 cott	365-4105
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#### Guana Cay

Dive Guana	11 hse	365-5178
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Dolphin Bch Resort	4 rm 10 cott.	365-5137
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Guana Sunset Beach	13 units	365-5133
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Ocean Frontier	6 cott	519-389-4846
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Ward's Landing	4 units	904-982-2762
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Ruth Sands	9 hse	365-5140
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#### Hope Town

Abaco Inn	22 rm	366-0133
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Crystal Villas	5 villas	321-452-0164
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Elbow Cay Prop	98 hse	366-0035
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Firefly Resort	7 villas	366-0145
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Hope T Harb Lodge	25 rm	366 0095
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<b>Hope T Hideaways</b>	63 hse	366-0224
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Hope Town Inn	6 rm 4 Villas 3 Suites	366-0003
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Hope T Villas	3 hse	366-0266
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Lighthouse Rentals	4 cott	366-0154
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#### Hope Town...cont

Sea Gull Cottages	4 hse	366-0266
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<b>Sea Spray Resort</b>	6 villas	366-0065
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Tanny Key	43 hse	366-0053
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Turtle Hill	4 villas	366-0557
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#### Lubbers' Quarters Cay

Lubbers' Landing	4 villas	577-2000
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#### Man-O-War

Island Home Rentals	2 hse	365-6048
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Waterway Rentals	14 hse	365-6143
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#### Marsh Harbour area

<b>Abaco Beach Resort</b>	82 rms	367-2158
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Abaco Real Estate	6 hse	367-2719
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Abaco Towns	16 apts	367-0148
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Ambassador Inn	6 rms	367-2022
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#### Conch Inn

Living Easy	9 rms	367-4000
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Island Breezes Motel	8 rms	367-3776
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Lofty Fig Villas	6 eff	367-2681
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Pelican Beach Villas	6 cott	367-3600
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Regattas	32 apts	367-6764
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<b>HG Christie</b>	11 hse	367-4151
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#### Sandy Point

<b>Oeisha's Resort</b>	366-4139	
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Pete & Gay's Resort	14 rm	366-4119
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Rickmon's Bonefishing	10 rm	800-628-1447
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#### Spanish Cay

Spanish Cay Resort	18 rm 6 hse	365-0083
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#### Treasure Cay

<b>Abaco Estate Services</b>	Mult hse	365-8752
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<b>Bahama Beach Club</b>	88 units	365-8500
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<b>Brigantine Bay Villas</b>	5 units	877-786-8455
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**Emergency Services**

Emergency Medical Services (Ambulance)	367-2911, 359-6282
Jet-Rescue Air Ambulance	1-305-504-1093
Police - Marsh Harbour	367-2560, 367-3437, 911
Police - Hope Town	366-0667
Police - Man-O-War	365-6911
Police - Treasure Cay	365-8048
Police - Green Turtle Cay	365-4133
B. Electricity Corp	367-2727, 367-2846, 367-4667
Water & Sewerage	475-1499, 475-5518

**The following services are provided by volunteers**

Fire - Marsh Harbour	367-2000, 367-3752
Fire - Hope Town	366-0549, VHF Ch 16
Fire - Green Turtle Cay	365-4019
Fire - Guana Cay	365-5178
Fire - Man-O-War	365-4019
Fire & Rescue - Treasure Cay	365-9111, 365-8919
BASRAH Bah Air Sea Rescue	VHF 16, 475-1389, 366-0549

**Dental Services**

Agape Family Dental, Marsh Harbour	367-4355
Abaco Dental Asso.	367-0164
Diamante Dental, Marsh Harbour	367-4968

**Medical Services**

Abaco Family Medicine, M.H.	367-2295
Abaco Medi-Center, M.H.	367-7999
Auskell Advanced Medical Clinic, M.H.	367-0020
Chiropractor Dr. Lewis, M.H.	577-7612
Corbett Clinic, Treasure Cay	365-8288
Integrated Medical Center	367-1304
Treasure Cay	365-8092
Emergency	458-1234
Marsh Harbour Medical Centre	367-0050
Government Clinic, Marsh Harbour	367-2510
Government Clinic, Cooper's Town	365-0300
Government Clinic, Green Turtle Cay	365-4028
Government Clinic, Hope Town	366-0108
Emergency	577-4257
Government Clinic, Sandy Point	366-4010
Government Clinic, Fox Town	365-2172
Kidney Centre, Marsh Harbour	367-3310

**Pharmacy**

Abaco Island Pharmacy, Marsh Harbour	367-2544
Chemist Shoppe, Marsh Harbour	367-3106

<b>Visitors' Guide</b>		<b>Everyone reads The Abaconian</b>
Ferry Schedules • Departure times shown • Daily service unless noted		All phones use area code 242 unless noted
Marsh Harbour to Hope Town or Man-O-War - 20 minutes, Guana Cay - 30 minutes		Bring errors & revisions to our attention
<b>Albury's Ferry Service:</b> Ph 367-3147/0290 (After hours 359-6861)-VHF Ch 16 - Hope Town & Man-O-War (From Crossing Beach)		Revised March 2017
Marsh Harbour to Hope Town: 6:30 am - 7:15am - 9:00am - 10:30am - 12:15pm - 2:00pm - 4:00pm - 5:45pm *10:00pm		
Return: 5:45am - 6:50am - 8:30am - 9:45am - 11:30am - 1:30pm - 3:00pm - 4:00pm - 5:00pm - 6:30pm - 7:30pm - *10:30pm		
<b>Marsh Harbour to Man-O-War:</b> 7:15am - 9:00am - 11:00am - 12:15pm - 4:00pm - 5:45pm *Fri & Sat only		
Return: 8:00am - 10:30am - 1:30pm - 3:30pm - 5:00pm		
Marsh Harbour to Guana Cay/Scotland cay (6:45am - Union Jack Dock) (From Conch Inn) 10:30am - 1:30pm - 3:30pm - 5:45pm		
Return: 8:00 am - 11:30am - 2:30pm - 4:45pm **6:30pm **Scotland Cay pick up to Marsh Harbour by request		
Fare: • Adult prepaid one way \$19 / open return \$30 • Kids 6-11 one way \$11 round trip \$17, under 6 free.		
<b>Green Turtle Ferry:</b> Phone 365-4166 or 367-4128 - VHF Ch 16 • Ten minute ride		
T Cay Airport to Green T Cay: 8:30am - 10:30am - 11:30am - 1:30pm - 2:30pm - 3:30pm - 4:30pm* 5:00pm		
Return: 8:00am - 9:00am - 11:00am - 12:15pm - 1:30pm - 3:00pm - 4:30pm**		
* Note: 4:30 pm trip to GTC not on Sunday. ** Note: 4:30 pm trip will be made from New Plymouth only		
New Plymouth - One way adult \$13 (Children \$8) - Round trip \$19 (Children \$12) • Extra to some GT Cay docks		
<b>Abaco Adventures:</b> Ph 365-8749 or 375-8123 VHF Ch 16 Charters Available		
Treasure Cay to Guana Cay: Sunday: Departs 11:00am & returns 3:30 pm - \$50 Round Trip		
Treasure Cay to Man-O-War / Hope Town: Wed & Sat: Departs 9:30 am - \$65 Round Trip		
<b>Pinder's Ferry Service:</b> Between Abaco & Grand Bahama: Call Abaco 365-2356/2551		
Crown Haven, Abaco to McLean's Town, Grand Bahama: Daily 7:00 am & 2:30 pm		
Return: McLean's Town to Crown Haven: Daily 8:30 am & 4:30 pm		
<b>B.S. Ferry:</b> Between Abaco & Grand Bahama: Call Abaco 551-4767		
Crown Haven, Ab to McLean's Town, GB: Daily 7:00am & 2:00pm/ RTN 8:30am & 4:00pm		
<b>Bahamas Ferries:</b> Due to changing schedules please call Abaco Agent: 366-4119 or Nassau Office 242-323-2166 for dates and rates or visit <a href="http://www.bahamasferries.com">www.bahamasferries.com</a>		

**Taxi Cab Fares one or two passengers**

Extra \$3 for each passenger above two	
• Marsh Harbour Airport to... Effective Dec 08	
Clinic, Downtown, Stop Light ...	\$10
Ab Bch Resort, Eastern Shore close, Ferry ...	\$15
Spring City ...	\$15
Dundas Town, Nat Ins bldg, C Abaco Primary Sch ...	\$15
Murphy Town & Great Cistern ...	\$20
Snake Cay ...	\$35
Casuarina Point ...	\$60
Cherokee, Winding Bay, Little Harbour ...	\$80
Bahama Palm Shore ...	\$90
Crossing Rocks ...	\$105
Sandy Point ...	\$150
Leisure Lee ...	\$50
Treasure Cay Airport, G Turtle ferry ...	\$80
Treasure Cay Resort ...	\$85
Fox Town ...	\$165
• Between Marsh Harbour Ferry and: ...	
Clinic, downtown, Ab Beach Hotel ...	\$10
Nat. Ins. Bldg, Murphy Town, Gr. Cister ...	\$10
Wait time \$0.40 per minute, Hourly rate \$40 per hour	
Children under three - free • Caged pets - as people	
Luggage \$0.75 each over two, large bags \$1 ea.	
• Treasure Cay Airport to: ... Effective Dec 08	
Green Turtle Cay ferry dock ...	\$10
Madeira Park ...	\$20
Sand Banks ...	\$25
Treasure Cay Resort ...	\$30
Leisure Lee ...	\$45
Black Wood ...	\$20
Fire Rod & Cooper's Town ...	\$40
Cedar Harbour ...	\$60
Wood Cay ...	\$70
Mount Hope ...	\$80
Fox Town ...	\$85
Crown Haven ...	\$90
Marsh Harbour airport ...	\$80
Green Turtle Ferry to Marsh H Airport ...	\$80
Treasure Cay Hotel to Marsh Harbour ...	\$85
Treasure Cay Hotel to Green Turtle Ferry ...	\$25
Treasure Cay Hotel to Blue Hole ...	\$30

**Wi-Fi Hotspots**

<b>Marsh Harbour:</b>	Guana Cay: Abaco Beach Resort
Snappas Grill & Chill	Nipper's Bar & Grill
Curly Tails	
<b>Green Turtle Cay:</b>	Hope Town: Abaco Inn
Sundowners	Cap'n Jacks
McIntosh Restaurant	H.T. Harbour Lodge
Jolly Roger Bar & Bistro	Sea Spray
Leeward Yacht Club	
Bluff House	Man-O-War Marina

**Attractions**

Albert Lowe Museum ...	Green Turtle Cay
Capt Roland Roberts House, reef exhibits ...	Green Turtle Cay
Memorial Sculpture Garden ...	Green Turtle Cay
Wynnie Malone Historical Museum ...	Hope Town
Elbow Cay Lighthouse ...	Hope Town
Swim Mermaid Reef off Marsh Harbour ...	Pelican Shore
Drive to & swim in Blue Hole ...	Treasure Cay Farm road
Art studio & working foundry ...	Little Harbour
Man-O-War Heritage Museum ...	Man-O-War Cay
Man-O-War Boatyards ...	Man-O-War Cay
Eddie Minnis & Family Art Gallery ...	Mars Harbour, 426-9841
Hole-in-Wall lighthouse - very rough road ...	South Abaco
Ceder Harbour plantation ruin - need guide ...	North Abaco
Blackwood blue hole & sisal mill ...	North Abaco
Bird watching - ask tourism ...	367-3067

**Beaches**

<b>Pocket</b>	Crossing Beach in Marsh Harbour
Witches Point - 3 miles S. of Marsh Harbour	
Little Harbour - 20 miles S. of Marsh Harbour	
Cherokee - 23 miles S of Marsh Harbour	
<b>Miles of beach (most exposed to ocean)</b>	
• Treasure Cay • Green Turtle Cay • Guana Cay • Elbow Cay	
• Man-O-War Cay • Casuarina Point • Bahama Palm Shore	
• Sandy Point & more	

**Tours & Excursions**

Abaco Neem - Marsh Harbour ...	367-4117
Abaco's Nature Adventure ...	577-0004
Abaco Scuba Center ...	365-5021
Adventure on Prozca - T Cay ...	365-8749
Brendals Dive - Green Turtle Cay ...	365-4411
Captain Plug's Adventure ...	366-0023
C & C Charters - Treasure Cay ...	365-8506
Dive Abaco Since 1978 - Marsh Harbour ...	367-2787
DSB Eco-Adventures - Schooner Bay ...	376-9858
Lucayan Nature/Bird Watching Tour ...	367-2749
McPhee Charters-Marsh Harbour ...	242-441-7547
The Great Abaco Express Eco & Bus tours ...	242-646-7072
Dive Abaco Since 1978, Marsh Harbour ...	367-2287
Dive Time, Boat Harbour, Marsh Harbour ...	365-6235
Froglies, Hope Town ...	366-0431
Treasure Divers, Treasure Cay ...	357-6798
Brendal's Dive, Green T. Cay ...	365-4411
Divie Guana ...	365-5178
<b>Dive Shops</b>	
Dive Abaco Since 1978, Marsh Harbour ...	367-2287
Dive Time, Boat Harbour, Marsh Harbour ...	365-6235
Froglies, Hope Town ...	366-0431
Treasure Divers, Treasure Cay ...	357-6798
Brendal's Dive, Green T. Cay ...	365-4411
Divie Guana ...	365-5178
<b>Charter Fishing Boats</b>	
Lucky Strike - Hope Town ...	366-0101
Sea Gulf - Hope Town ...	366-0266
A Salt/Water-Hope Town ...	366-0245
Down Deep ...	366-3143
Local Boy ...	366-0528
Back Breaker ...	365-5140
McPhee Charters-Marsh Harbour ...	242-441-7547
T's Carts ...	557-1015
DSB Bike Rentals ...	376-9858

Boats can clear Customs at Green Turtle Cay, Treasure Cay or Marsh Harbour

**Airlines Serving Abaco**

Airline Aviation - New Smyrna Beach	1-386-479-6060
Air Unlimited - Orlando	407-585-4300
American Eagle - Miami	367-2231
US Reservation	1-800-433-7300
Bahamasair - Nassau, W. Palm Beach	367-2095
Delta	1-800-221-1212
Flamingo Air - Freeport	242-351-4963
Silver Airline - WPB, Tampa	367-3415
US Reservation	1-800-231-0856
Sky Bahamas - Nassau, F.Laud.	367-0996
US Reservation	1-242-225-4460
Western Air - Nassau	367-3722

**Veterinary**

Caribbean Veterinary Centre, Marsh Harbour	367-3551
Island Veterinary Clinic, Marsh Harbour	577-0397

**Restaurant Guide**

Prices \$ Low, \$\$ Moderate, \$\$\$ Upper	
Marsh Harbour/Murphy/Dundas	
Abaco Pizza ...	\$
Anglers ...	\$\$\$
Back 2 Da Island ...	\$
Bayview ...	\$\$\$
Curly Tails ...	\$\$\$
Golden Grouper ...	\$\$
Harbour View Pizza ...	\$
Island Family Rest ...	\$\$\$
Bliss Coffee House ...	\$
Jamie's Place ...	\$\$
Junovia's ...	\$\$
Kentucky Fried Chicken ...	\$\$
Lovely's ...	\$\$
Main Street Treats ...	\$\$
Mother Merle's ...	\$\$
People's Grill ...	\$\$
Snack Shack ...	\$\$
Snappas ...	\$\$
Wallys ...	\$\$\$
<b>Hope Town</b>	
Abaco Inn ...	\$\$\$
Cap'n Jacks ...	\$\$
Firefly ...	\$\$\$
Harbour's Edge ...	\$\$
HT Coffee House (B & L) ...	\$\$
HT Inn & Marina ...	\$\$
HT Harbour Lodge ...	\$\$\$
Munchies ...	\$\$
OnDa Beach ...	\$\$
The Pizza Shack ...	\$\$
Sea Spray ...	\$\$
Wine Down Sip Sip ...	\$\$
<b>Little Harbour</b>	
Pete's Pub ...	\$\$
<b>Lubber's Quarter</b>	
Cracker P's ...	\$\$
Lubber's Landing ...	\$\$
<b>Man-O-War</b>	
Dock N Dine ...	\$\$
Hibiscus Cafe ...	\$\$
<b>Guana Cay</b>	
Grabbers ...	\$\$
Nippers ...	\$\$
Orchid Bay ...	\$\$\$
<b>Treasure Cay</b>	
Bahama Beach Club ...	\$\$
Coco Beach Bar & Grill ...	\$\$
Creative Hands Bakery ...	\$\$
Florence's Cafe ...	\$\$
Spinaker Restaurant ...	\$\$\$
Touch of Class ...	\$\$\$
Treasure Sands Club ...	\$\$\$
<b>Green Turtle Cay</b>	
Bluff House ...	\$\$
Green Turtle Club ...	\$\$
Harvey's Island Grill ...	\$\$
Lizard Bar & Grill ...	\$\$
McIntosh's Restaurant ...	\$\$
Miss Emily's Blue Bee ...	\$\$
Pineapple Restaurant Bar & Grill ...	\$\$
Plymouth Rock Cafe ...	\$\$
Shortie Take-a-Way ...	\$\$
Sundowners ...	\$\$
The Wrecking Tree ...	\$\$
<b>Sandy Point</b>	
Nancy's ...	\$\$
Sunset Chill & Grill ...	\$\$
<b>Schooner Bay</b>	
Sandpiper Inn ...	\$\$

<b>Abaco Marinas - Slips - Fuel - Phone</b>	
<b>Green Turtle Cay</b>	
Bluff House ...	38 ... F ... 36



**HOPE TOWN | PIECES OF EIGHT**  
Over 9 acres overlooking the ocean, this 5 bdrm, 5.5 bath home is a perfect investment opportunity.  
**\$7,350,000 | AS10719**  
John Christie . 242 357 7572



**TREASURE CAY | TIME TO GO**  
Stunning 5 bdrm, 5.5 bath estate with 268 ft. of beachfront and 2.5 acres of tropical land.  
**\$4,995,000 | AS12526**  
Neil Aberle . 242 577 0277



**TURTLE ROCKS | PALMETTO BEACH RESORT**  
7 bdrm, 10 bath beachfront turnkey property on 3.7 acres with a great view.  
**\$2,517,500 | AS12403**  
Dwayne Wallas . 242 359 6046



**MARSH HARBOUR | LOT B53 WITCH POINT**  
37 acre development opportunity with 800 ft. of waterfront is perfect for a flyfishing or eco-lodge.  
**\$1,390,000 | AS12577**  
Frank Knowles . 242 577 0339



**LITTLE HARBOUR | TOM CURRY'S POINT**  
1.7 acre waterfront estate has a 5 bdrm home, 1 bdrm apartment, gym, dock and tennis court.  
**\$1,100,000 | AS12477**  
Neil Aberle . 242 577 0277



**MARSH HARBOUR | ROYAL HARBOUR**  
This 3 bdrm, luxury beachfront home sits on 18,000 sq. ft. of land overlooking tranquil waters.  
**\$995,000 | AS12275**  
Dwayne Wallas . 242 359 6046



**HOPE TOWN | HILLTOP**  
Well appointed 3 bdrm, 2 bath hill top gem is surrounded by exquisite landscaping.  
**\$895,000 | AS12413**  
Frank Knowles . 242 577 0339



**HOPE TOWN | HORIZONTE LOTS**  
46,436 sq. ft. development parcel comprised of 13 individual lots centrally located on Elbow Cay.  
**\$780,000 | PS10720**  
Patti Love . 242 475 1715



**HOPE TOWN | BY THE SEA**  
This beautiful 2 bdrm, 2 bath home features a private loft and a private beach.  
**\$685,000 | PS10707**  
Patti Love . 242 475 1715



**HOPE TOWN | YELLOW BIRD COTTAGE**  
This cozy, 2 bdrm, 1 bath home looks out over Hope Town's harbour and lighthouse and is only steps away from the white sand beach and turquoise waters of the Atlantic Ocean.  
**\$599,000 | AS12497**  
Patti Love . 242 475 1715



**THE CAYS | LUBBERS QUARTERS**  
9.16 acre sea-to-sea beach estate has two homes, two docks and two beaches.  
**\$675,000 | AS12308**  
Neil Aberle . 242 577 0277



**LITTLE HARBOUR | CASA MAR**  
4 bdrm, 3 bath solarized home is situated facing the ocean on a 1.91 acre lot.  
**\$349,000 | AS12504**  
Dwayne Wallas . 242 359 6046



**LONG BEACH | FLAMINGO LOOKOUT**  
This 3 bdrm, 2 bath home sits on 10,000 sq. ft. and offers beach access and ocean views.  
**\$225,000 | AS12452**  
Neil Aberle . 242 577 0277



**ELBOW CAY | SURFER'S REST SUBDIVISION LOT 3**  
Ocean view income property features a 2 bdrm, 2 bath unit, plus two - 1 bdrm, 1 bath units.  
**\$299,000 | PS10721**  
Patti Love . 242 475 1715



**TILLOO CAY | BEACHFRONT LOTS 47, 48, & 49**  
Each lot offers 11,000-12,500 sq. ft. with nice elevations and is less than 50 ft. from the beach.  
**\$274,900 | AS12384**  
Frank Knowles . 242 577 0339



**LONG BEACH | LOT 13**  
This generously sized, 19,345 sq. ft. lot enjoys over 77 ft. of beautiful ocean frontage.  
**\$225,000 | AS12342**  
Neil Aberle . 242 577 0277



**SAND BANKS CREEK | VACANT LAND**  
Over 2.5 acres of property with 50 ft. of pristine and peaceful waterfront.  
**\$94,500 | AS12536**  
Neil Aberle . 242 577 0277



**HOPE TOWN | LOT 28**  
18,000 sq. ft. of elevated land is the perfect investment opportunity.  
**\$199,000 | AS12440**  
Patti Love . 242 475 1715



**TREASURE CAY | ST.ANDREWS ESTATES**  
Spacious 3 bdrm, 2 bath home with central air, a large kitchen and living area plus an open deck.  
**\$160,000 | AS12581**  
Dwayne Wallas . 242 359 6046



**LITTLE HARBOUR | BOOKIES BAY**  
4.8 acres of land with 135 ft. on the ocean, lush native coppice forest, and elevations to 50 ft.  
**\$150,000 | AS12588**  
Dwayne Wallas . 242 359 6046



**THE CAYS | LOT 27 LUBBERS QUARTERS**  
10,000 sq. ft. of land with lush native trees and good elevations to view the sea of Abaco.  
**\$85,000 | AS12144**  
Patti Love . 242 475 1715



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## Bahamas Youth Network Sponsors Eye Testing in Abaco Public Schools



BYN volunteers and some Coopers Town Primary students.

**Baker's Bay Makes \$176,500 Donation to ECC Assisting Living Facility Closer to Reality**



Dr. Livingston Marshall, Geoffrey Jones, Celine Albury and Peter Whalen presenting a \$176,500 cheque to ECC's Lyn Major. The money was raised during Baker's Bay's fishing tournament and will go towards a planned assisted living facility where people can continue to grow while still being part of the school

*By Mirella Santillo*

The musical team of Every Child Counts was still honing the presentation they were planning for their guests, as the delegation of the Baker's Bay Golf and Ocean Club made its appearance on October 11.

Dr. Livingston Marshall, Mr. Peter Whalen, Mr. Geoffrey Jones and Ms. Ce-

line Albury entered the courtyard to the beat of drums. They were greeted by Mrs. Lyn Major and immediately welcomed by a student, Keith Clarke, who acted as Moderator for the event. Ms. Albury was carrying a large poster, only the back of which was visible.

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**New Patrick J Bethel PTA Board Outlines Goals for Year**



Above: Richard Roberts, Lavaughn Stubbs, Karen Rolle, Sophie Bootle and Jason Quashie. Missing from the photo: Julie Michel, Cerizia Francois and Chaplain Kermet Newbold

*By Mirella Santillo*

New members for the PTA board of the 2017-18 school year at Patrick J Bethel High School were elected on in September.

Pastor Jason Quashie, who had previously held that title for the year 2015-16, was elected President; Karen Rolle is the new Vice-President, Lavaughn Stubbs will hold the position of Treasurer with Sophie Bootle as Assistant-Treasurer. Julie Michel

will be acting as Secretary. The Public Relations persons are Cerizia Francois and Richard Roberts, a returning board member.

The new elects held a meeting in Spring City on the evening of October 10.

Explaining the goals of his PTA board, Pastor Quashie mentioned that there are a number of important matters to be ad-

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# SCHOOL & YOUTH NEWS

## BYN

by Dr. Monson, who conducted a more in-depth examination.

Some of the children were fitted with glasses before leaving the room.

Rev. Swing and Mrs. Swing also helped with registering and sending each student to be examined to the screening room. Mrs. Swing took many of the students' blood pressure as they left the examination room.

The team spent two days at Patrick J Bethel High School screening all of their 600 plus students.

On October 12, the vision screening group moved to Central Abaco Primary School. On Friday October 13, the team traveled north to examine the students of the two public schools in Cooper's Town: Cooper's Town Primary School and S C Bootle High School.

Commenting on the results of the screening, Rev. Swing said that altogether 1100 students were examined; More than 300 of whom received prescription glasses. Dr. Monson was also able to diagnose many children with astigmatisms and other serious vision problems. They were encouraged to follow up with local doctors and eye specialists. Dr. Monson stated, "Nearly all of the students never had a screening before."

Rev. Gabe Swing serves as the Out-Island coordinator for The Bahamas Youth Network, working with students on Long Island and Abaco. Rev. Swing also serves as the pastor of Kirk of the Pines, a church that currently meets on Sundays at 9 AM at Forest Heights Academy in Marsh Har-



Above: Coopers Town Primary with BYN volunteers.

Right top to bottom: students getting tested and outfitted with new glasses.

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The Bahamas Youth Network is described as a relational, Christ-centered, Community-based Youth Ministry in The Bahamas, working with churches, schools, and other community organizations to impact the youth of the community it serves.

Rev. Swing stated, "The Bahamas Youth Network sponsored this vision screening to help meet real needs in the community and demonstrate the great love that Christ has for all of the children and families of The Bahamas."



## General Assembly at Patrick Bethel High Highlights Students' Accomplishments



Ivan Curry Jr. (center) receiving his accolades as an outstanding male student from Asst. District Superintendent Dominique McCartney-Russell (left) and District Superintendent Dr. Lenora Black (right).

*By Canishka Alexander*

During a general assembly held at Patrick J. Bethel High School on Oct. 17, District Superintendent Dr. Lenora Black gave highlights from the recent All Males Service, which some of the school's male students had attended. Dr. Black was accompanied by Assistant District Superintendent Dominique McCartney-Russell.

During her remarks, Dr. Black recognized Rolnet Paul Jr. and Ivan Curry Jr. as high-achieving males who have distinguished themselves as students of excellence. Both young men have adopted an exceptional standard of work and are devoted to their academic pursuits.

Paul Jr. also received a full scholarship to attend Forest Heights Academy for his outstanding academic efforts. Curry Jr. later received the esteemed title of Head Boy during a Prefect Installation Ceremony.

McCartney-Russell was invited to the stage to deliver brief remarks. She told the students that she was excited to partner with her colleagues in the field of education and looked forward to the continued success of students in the Abaco district.

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"I'm grateful for the opportunity," she affirmed.

Next, a cheque presentation was made to Canishka Alexander, who has organized a medical campaign on GoFundMe.com on Joanne Brave's behalf for funding to correct a condition she has called scoliosis. Joanne's spine is severely curved at 80 degrees, and she is in urgent need of surgery.

Before the assembly came to a close, Language Arts Teacher Ruby Rolle distributed certificates to students for their participation in the Templeton World Foundation's "Laws of Life" essay competition.

Everyone in attendance was asked to offer a moment of silence in memory of Joan Miller, one of the school's janitors who passed away. On Oct. 19, students were asked to wear a purple ribbon in solidarity with Joan's family.

The week's theme was: "Love of Learning."

Following the assembly, Brave arrived and was accompanied by Rolle. Brave visited several classrooms to briefly speak with students about scoliosis, and to collect additional donations toward her cause. Altogether, Patrick J. Bethel High School's staff and students donated more than \$1,000 to Joanne.

## Angels Academy Presents Pre-Halloween Haunted House Event



*By Canishka Alexander*

Angels Academy presented its Pre-Halloween Haunted House Fright Night on Oct. 26 extending an invitation to children in the community to attend.

According to Garnell Limpere, one of the organizers and a teacher at the school, it was a concerted effort to successfully pull off the event with staff, parents and community stakeholders doing their part.

For a \$5 admission fee, tickets for the Haunted House were purchased from Jacqueline Estevez along with tickets for food, drinks and snacks. Principal Barbara Johnson manned the entrance to the Haunted House. Adults accompanying children were given free entry.

There were so many popular characters in attendance – ladybugs, witches, mermaids, skeletons, pirates, zombies, princesses, Snow White, Power Rangers, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, Sofia the First, and even Michael Jackson. True to form, Michael did his signature moonwalk dance to the amazement of the audience.

Children were given a grand tour of the Haunted House by Ashton Sawyer despite seeing the bloody warning sign: "Abandon all hope ye who enters here." Sawyer did the walk through entering a door with the words "stop, run die" to introduce the children to the other characters on site.

Sawyer was assisted by the talented cast of Lance Bethel, Suzanne Sweeting, Louis Schneider, Lydia Hill, Heather Johnston, Sophia Joseph and Braxton Haupert who also helped with either making, donating or setting up props, coming up with the theme and ideas and were among the ghoulish characters featured in the haunted house.

Ashton, Lance and Louis were part of my team since the Island Waves Community Centre, and we did the Haunted House then, so I just utilized them," Limpere explained. "The others – Suzie, Lydia, Sophia, Braxton and Heather – all enjoy creative activities, holidays and community venues, so they willingly and eagerly offered their assistance."

Of course, an event could not be successful without food. Limpere commanded Malena Scott, a parent, for the scrumptious conch fritters, chicken and fries and hamburgers that she prepared.

Outside a giant, blown-up spider guarded the entrance to tables that dis-

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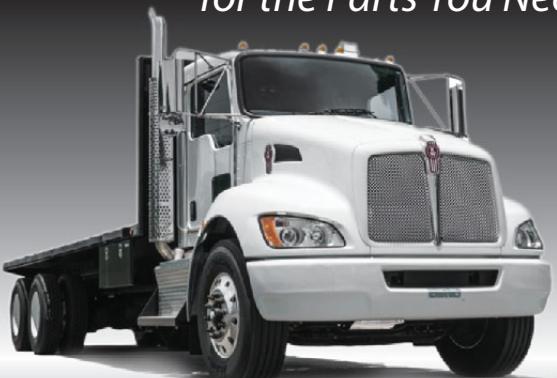
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played containers of witch ears and witch fingers, troll teeth, monster eyes and brains.

Pre-kindergarten Teacher Reese Johnson sat at a table adorned with ornamental black crows and gigantic plastic rats selling assorted crackers, granola bars and chips and pastries.

"We had sensory bins, games, dancing, chicken and fries, cookies and cakes, etc..." Limeres recounted. "We handmade the signs and lots of the props, too. Heather Johnston assisted with setting up and also made the sensory jars. Both Suzanne and Heather have kids who go to the school."

"I was in charge of organizing the whole thing, and I helped with the theme, making props and flyers, getting teams together etc. Because the date changed for mid-term break, I had to leave before the event itself, but had plans to play a lead role as well."

"But that's okay; I'm so glad we have a good team where I could slip away."

## CAPS Awards Day, Prefect Installation Rewards Students of Excellence

By Canishka Alexander

"Rewarding Excellence: A Prevailing Attitude," was the theme of Central Abaco Primary School's (CAPS) Awards Day and Prefect Installation Service on Oct. 23.

Tianna Bootle served as the moderator.

Following the National Anthem and Pledge of Allegiance, the prayer was given by Latario Curtis; Kevisha McPhee shared the Scripture reading from Phil. 4:8-9; and a warm welcome was delivered by Carrington Cash to all in attendance.

Music Teacher Ervin Colebrooke directed the school choir in a selection of "He has Done Marvelous Things," followed by a recorder ensemble accompanied by the sound of maracas and drumming as students of the Lower Primary Choir played "Tell Somebody God is Good."

Rachel Brice introduced District Superintendent Dr. Lenora Black as the speaker for the occasion.

Dr. Black emphasized that the district's one goal was undergirded by the Ministry of Education's theme of "Understanding the Whole Picture: Imaging the Finished Results."

"Excellence is the guide word, and it's such a profound word," she expressed. "Excellence does not speak to the notion of perfection; it succinctly speaks to time on the spectrum toward our best self."

She went on to explain that what is

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Above: the Central Abaco Primary's School Choir.

considered excellence in Grade 1 could not be deemed excellent at a Grade 6 level hence excellence is progressive. With excellence, Dr. Black recognized that we are not at a fixed point because we get better daily with training and learning.

"I like the notion of excellence being rewarded," she admitted.

Dr. Black added that excellence is recognized beyond the school and home and that it extends to the wider community. She recalled the recent All Males Service where a student of Patrick J. Bethel High School gave an outstanding oration that touched the hearts of all those who were there. The student, Rolner Paul Jr., went on to receive a full scholarship from Forest Heights Academy.

Over the course of her life, Dr. Black shared some of the attributed that she has learned about hard work: 1) It doesn't kill you; and 2) It is a trait that once you embrace it, you don't put it down.

"Excellence cannot take a day off," she asserted.

She indicated that arriving at the point of excellence involves the 5 Ps: Proper Preparation Prevents Poor Performance. She told students that they must plan to be a person of excellence; however, they don't get to be excellent all by themselves.

"It's not a journey of one - first you came from a supportive home, and caring schools, so don't forget the people who helped you along the way. Tell them

thanks."

Dr. Black said that people of excellence are also persistent.

"If you would have gotten up one more time than you have fallen down, you win," she emphasized. "You must have a positive mindset because sometimes you are the only one not raining on your parade."

Forecasting the upcoming All Abaco District Awards, Dr. Black promised that the results would be pleasing to many of the awardees coming from the grouping that was there that day.

Numerous awards were distributed to the students of excellence beginning with the Principal's Award, which recognizes students with a GPA of 3.8 to 4.0. Awards for music and athletic accomplishments were given as well as most outstanding

male and female awards and most improved student awards for each grade level.

The distribution of awards was complimented by the introduction of 53 prefects installed during the ceremony. The newly installed prefects joined their voices in reciting the Prefect Pledge and Song. Once the pinning of prefects was completed, the Heads of Prefect Body Selection took place.

Tianna Bootle was crowned Head Girl, and Ronnalie Delancey received the title of Deputy Head Girl. Christopher Turnquest was awarded the position of Head Boy, and Muhammad Anjum was named Deputy Head Boy.

Principal Beatrice Moxey closed out the ceremony with the Vote of Thanks, and Pastor Jason Quashie gave the benediction.

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## St Francis de Sales Reflects on Breast Cancer Month



St. Francis students at the special assembly.

*By Mirella Santillo*

A special assembly was held on October 6 at St Francis Catholic Church to honor Breast Cancer Month as well as bringing awareness to the students about the attributes of "Good Character," such as solidarity and compassion among others, which could help dealing with cancer and other issues.

Speakers addressed the student body, most of them dressed in pink, with examples and advice.

The first to speak was Mr. Alexis Tayam, St. Francis de Sales Religious Studies Coordinator. He based his character definition on a scripture reading of a good samaritan who helped a wounded man on the side of the road.

Mr. Tayam asked the assembly "What were the character traits of the good samaritan?"

"It is not our status in life that determines our character. Being rich, poor, Christian or non Christian does not prevent us to be kind and compassionate to others. Compassion, kindness, love, honesty, courage and

perseverance are not merely values of religion but of humanity, a humanity that could be lost if we do not practice these," Mr. Tayam said.

The next speaker, Mrs. Theresa Haynes, a four-year breast cancer survivor, spoke about her ordeal and how she managed to beat the disease.

"Cancer does not necessarily mean death," she said.

Mrs. Haynes stressed the importance of regular check-ups for early detection. She added that turning to the support and love of her family gave her the perseverance to go through the treatments and the mental ordeal caused by cancer. She advised people to practice compassion and solidarity towards people with the disease.

Following the speeches, the Spanish teacher introduced a video that showed people around the world illustrating the various traits of good character. She then turned to students in the room, asking them about their favorite persons and which qualities they admired in them.

## Motivational Speaker Meets with Students, Leaders in The Bahamas



Andre Norman speaking to students at ECC.

*By Canishka Alexander*

Motivational speaker and author, corporate trainer and education ambassador, Andre Norman has committed his life to influence others to make positive changes in their own lives.

His life didn't start out that way, however.

Norman grew up in a home with an abusive father who eventually left his mother to raise him and his siblings on her own. A high school drop out, Norman began making bad choices that led to his arrest and imprisonment.

While in prison, he became a well-known prison gang leader, but all it took was meeting a mentor who inspired his mindset change to set him on the right course. In that moment, he overcame the abuse, illiteracy, gangs and prison of his past using it to inspire others.

Invited by the Rotary Club of Abaco, the dynamic speaker arrived on Abaco on Oct. 22 visiting with students from Oct. 23-24. While on Abaco, he also met with Department of Social Services probationers, and travelled to a Corporate Leadership Conference at The Abaco Club on Winding Bay.

His visit to The Bahamas also took him to the nation's capital to meet with Commissioner of Police Anthony Ferguson.

son and key officers, followed by a seminar with police gang units.

It was at Every Child Counts that 'The Abaconian' caught up with Norman to hear what he had to share with the students there. Several students from Wesley College were also in attendance.

Accompanied by Carrie Lowe and Jason Carlie, Norman began with a brief history of where blacks came from and how they ended up in different parts of the world. Using History, Money and Respect as headings, he promised to show the students how they could come up with a business idea to create a company that produces gross revenues of \$600,000 a year.

In fact, he shared how he assisted a team of four young people no older than 25 in making \$1 million last year.

"I've worked with presidents and world leaders, but I'm here because you're just as important as children anywhere in the world."

Sharing his background, Norman told the students that all anyone needs in life is a chance. He made a promise to never make his mother ashamed to call his name again. He told them how he applied at Harvard University for a job, and was selected from among thousands of candidates.

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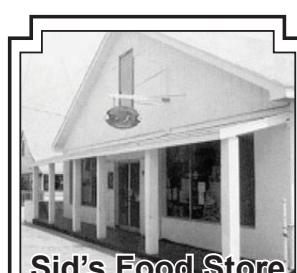
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"wonderful welcome" he received.

The Archbishop's visit to St Francis de Sales was preceded by one at Every Child Counts earlier the same morning. There a full assembly welcomed him. The Archbishop walked the school grounds and listened to students talk about a program relating to mindfulness and peer mediation. He was treated to several performances. The Drum Band, winner of the National Arts Festival in that category, demonstrated its talent. The senior choir sang and there was a duet performance by Alex Curry and Ronel Ecarment.

## Three Abaco Schools Received Awards at the National Arts Festival

*By Mirella Santillo*

The National Arts Festival winning score requirements were raised from 85 to 90 points in 2017.

Nonetheless, students from three local schools (Agape Christian School, Every Child Counts and St Francis de Sales Catholic School) gathered first places in music with scores over 90.

Noella Clarke and Clanae Davis from Agape Christian School received the highest score of 96 for performing a duet in the Pop Singing category.

The next highest score went to Ashanti Duncanson with St Francis de Sales Catholic School. She performed solo in the Pop Singing category and was awarded 94 points.

Also from St Francis de Sales, the teachers' Gospel Male Group placed first in their category with 92 points.

From St Francis de Sales again, the Recorder Ensemble, twelve years old and under, won that category with 92 points.

The last first place went to the Senior Drum Group of Every Child Counts. They collected 91 points in the Instrumental Ensemble category.

All winners in the National Arts Festival will be handed out their trophies during the annual Awards Ceremony to be held in January 2018.

## Teachers in Abaco District Attend Professional Development Exercise



Teachers attending Professional Development Exercise at Central Abaco Primary School on Oct. 26.

*By Canishka Alexander*

The Department of Education's Abaco District presented its Teachers' Professional Development Exercise last week.

The school-based session was held on Oct. 25, while the district-wide exercise was held on Oct. 26 at Central Abaco Primary School (CAPS) under the Ministry of Education's (MOE) theme: "Understanding the Whole Picture: Imaging the Finished Results."

The moderator was Paul Knowles, Principal of J.A. Pinder Primary School and 2017-2019 Teacher of the Year for the Abaco District and CAPS. Education Officer Sandy Edwards led the audience in devotion, while Rev. Livingstone Edwards, pastor of Daystar Bible Church, delivered the devotional thought for the day.

Meanwhile, District Superintendent Dr. Lenora Black brought the welcome remarks along with the purpose for the program.

Jamal McIntosh, Teacher of the Year at Patrick J. Bethel High School, introduced the guest speaker - Donavon Bowe.

Bowe, a teacher from The Beacon School in Grand Bahama, spoke on the topic: "Capacity Building for Educational Practitioners."

Just this little foundation for our conversation this morning: The Bahamas' Ministry of Education (MOE) has responsibility for more than 50,000 K-12 students in approximately 170 educational institutions in the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, and these institutions are dispersed over 14 districts in the major islands," he

shared. "The ministry's goal is to increase the graduation rate from 50% to 80% by 2030."

In his delivery, Bowe covered three main points regarding the teacher as a professional, teacher efficacy and how connecting with the personal journey of the students can assist teachers in reaching them.

While addressing his first point on professionalism, Bowe said that professionalism is not as simple as slipping into professional wear. In fact, he cited the Teaching in Focus: Teacher Professional-

ism International Survey (TALIS), which indicates that teacher professionalism is about a teacher's knowledge, a teacher's autonomy and their membership of peer networks.

These, he said, are the key elements that lead to more effective teaching.

"Until we increase our knowledge base as teacher professionals, our finished results will continue to look the same," Bowe admonished. "Many of you com-

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plained about coming here this morning for this professional development session, but you want your students to be excited when they come to your class. The excitement that you have for learning is in direct relationship to that of your students."

After expounding on the points of teacher autonomy and peer networks, Bowe conducted a short exercise called exercising truth. The teachers were asked to raise their hands if they had visited Facebook that morning, checked a WhatsApp message or if they have an Instagram account.

"If you have raised your hand at least once, you are already a part of a network, no membership fee, so with just a little bit more work you can cultivate these platforms to your benefit," he informed them. "Social media is here to stay and if you don't embrace it, you will be left behind... the small classroom that you are in is not the world."

"We are preparing our students not to take tests, but to live life."

Bowe said that teachers around the world are increasingly being asked to teach more diverse student populations, which includes disadvantaged and immigrant students as well as students who may not be proficient in the country's principle language.

"Investing in teachers' professionalism is one way that education systems can help teachers face these challenges and, by doing so, ensure that all students receive the high-quality teaching they need to succeed," he assured.

His final point was efficacy.

"Teacher efficacy is about rooting for kids. I'm a teacher at Grand Bahama's only public special education institution, The Beacon School, currently working with my second cohort of Senior Boys in Job Readiness Program, [which is comprised of] high functioning students who will one day make their mark in society."

Instead of telling a student they should have done better when they fail to get the correct answers on a test, or come up a few words short on an essay, he congratulates them on what they got right and helps them focus on how to improve next time.

"Learning must be intentional, and teacher efficacy proves for greater achievement. We have to believe in our students because amazing things happen when a school staff shares the belief that they are able to achieve collective goals and overcome challenges to impact student achievement," he expressed. "My students know that if anyone has their back, it's me."

Bowe was pleased to see great strides being made in The Bahamas to increase the value placed on education despite the existence of many external pressures. Therefore, he encouraged teachers to do their part to make education relevant and fun.

Acting District Superintendent Dominique Russell informed teachers of the room locations where they would go to participate in Sessions 2 and 3 of the development exercise following a 15-minute break.

Presenters for the afternoon sessions included: Willarine Rodgers, subject secretary from the Ministry of Education's Evaluation and Assessment Division;

Lonice Hart and Latoya Burrows, SEO Social Studies Teachers at Gerald Cash Primary School; Camru Rahiem, mathematics teacher at Moore's Island Comprehensive School; Nadia Smith-McDermott, 6th grade teacher at Fox Town Primary School; and Bloneva Pinder, preschool teacher at Central Abaco Primary.

The participants were comprised of preschool, upper and lower primary teachers as well as high school teachers and NEC Administrators.

Russell closed out the program with session takeaways and the benediction.

## ECC

In 2015, Captain Ed Dwyer, who is in charge of organizing the club's annual fishing tournament, decided to choose the school as the beneficiary of the generosity of members participating in the tournament. The club's executives were impressed with the school's achievements in the last ten years and as mentioned by Dr. Marshall, "we now consider the school as a partner."

After being treated to poetry, singing, and drumming performances by the drum band and the choir, the Baker's Bay team presented the poster that Ms. Albury had carried in earlier. The team turned around the poster, showing an enlarged check with the amount of \$176,500 that the school will receive. The representatives handed it to Mrs. Lyn Major, Director of Every Child Counts.

Following the presentation, Mr.

Geoffrey Jones, Director of Sales and Marketing, explained that the money came from fundraising held during the June Baker's Bay Fishing Tournament, saying "Celine held an auction that took a good deal of money from the members."

Ms. Albury later mentioned that the highest bid on a cooler she had offered for auction was \$25,000. She said the check also included the entry fees.

Mr. Peter Whalen, General Manager of the resort, thanked the children for their performance.

"We are thankful to be a part of it," Mr. Whalen said. He went on to express his pleasure to be involved with the school.

"We hope you can use the money to grow," Mr. Whalen added.

Addressing the Baker's Bay's representatives, Mrs. Major explained that the last part of her vision for the school was to "Add an assisted living facility where children will continue to grow while still being part of the school."

"We are most grateful for your donation," Mrs. Major said.

Pastor Erlyn Baillou, a long-time supporter of the school, explained that the site for the facility has already been outlined at the back of the property. The building will measure 70 feet by 35 feet and will be comprised of enough rooms with bathrooms to accommodate eight to ten lodgers and one or two resident care givers, as well as a common area, thus ensuring the continuing care and longevity of the students who graduated.

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# SPORTS

## Diamond Dollz Secure Silver, Bulldogs Capture Bronze at BSF Round Robin Tournament



Above left: the Abaco Groceries Diamond Dollz.



Above right: 5 Star Ag and Turf Bulldogs.

By Canishka Alexander

Abaco Championship Winners 5 Star Ag and Turf Bulldogs and Abaco Groceries Diamond Dollz travelled to the Bahamas Softball Federation's Rozina Taylor National Round Robin & Championships in New Providence from Oct. 27-30 to represent the island of Abaco.

On Day 1, in Game 1 against Andros Navigators, the Diamond Dollz edged away with one run to beat them on Oct.

27. The score was 7-6. The Bulldogs also managed to score one run over the BTC Blazers out of Grand Bahama to beat them 4-3 in the men's game.

An official Opening Ceremony at the Baillou Hills Sporting Complex was also held that night.

Day Two brought tremendous losses for both the Dollz and Bulldogs. New Providence's C&S Hitmen won 9-0 over the Bulldogs, while the Sunshine Auto

Lady Wildcats of New Providence beat the Dollz: 10-0.

On to the playoffs, the Wildcats outperformed the Dollz, but this time the score settled at 7-5. In the men's game, the Bulldogs won by forfeiture over the Blue Water Jets of Eleuthera. The Blazers returned to win 6-3 over the Hitmen, and the Bulldogs enjoyed a victorious sweep over Andros beating them: 13-2.

The Blazers accumulated another win

by default over the Jets, while the Hitmen beat the Bulldogs in a close game: 2-0.

Entering the Bronze Medal round on Day 3, the Blazers beat the Bulldogs to face the Hitmen for the national championship title. The Wildcats shut down the Dollz to win 11-3. Despite this loss, this was the first time the Diamond Dollz made it to the BSF Round Robin championship game to place second in the nation.

## Abaco Schools Sports Association Starts Season with Volleyball

Mirella Santillo

The Abaco Schools Sports Association season started on October 2 with three games played at Agape Christian School's Grace Gymnasium. The ACS girls Eagles played the Patrick J Bethel's Marlins in the very first game of the season. The junior Eagles and the senior Eagles played the SCB Dynamic Dolphins' juniors and seniors in the second and third game.

Four high school teams entered the volleyball tournament, including the Eagles, the Marlins, the St. Francis de Sales Tornadoes, and the SC Bootle Dynamic Dolphins. A couple of meets between primary school teams had also been sched-

uled.

Approximately half way into the season, the score was nearly evenly spread between three schools. The Eagles seemed to be leading, with the girls having won all four games played so far and the senior and junior boys having lost one game each out of four. The Marlins are in second position with senior boys and girls teams, each having lost only one game out of four. The SCB Dolphins junior boys won the two games they played.

The St. Francis de Sales' Tornadoes had not been doing too well, but still had six games to play before mid-term break in all three categories.

There were still several days of playing before October 26 mid-term, with three days in Cooper's Town, including a remake of a game cancelled on October 12, so the St Francis's Tornadoes will not be the only one with more chances to advance.

As of October 17, the Eagles had six more games to play; the Patrick J Bethel Marlins had nine more games to play, and the Dolphins seven.

Games were to be suspended during mid-term, resuming on November 1.

The championships games should take place during the second or third week of November



Above: Agape Eagles on the volleyball court.



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## Root Crops



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and souses. The largest type is Imperator but the best tasting are Nantes and Chantenay. If your soil is heavy you should try Danvers, a broad-shouldered heavily tapered carrot that is ideal in clay soil conditions.

Plant your seeds in raised rows for good drainage in soil that has been well fertilized but has not had any fresh compost added. I grow my carrots in grids. I press a milk crate into the ground and use the pattern of squares produced to evenly plant my seeds two inches apart in a block. It's tedious business but worth the effort once the carrots begin to develop.

All root crops should be pulled as they approach maturity or corkiness will occur. Most root crops last for a long time in the refrigerator after being harvested so you can stagger your

sowings to several small sowings a month or so apart. Keep young plants well watered.

Sweet potatoes can be grown from supermarket offerings. Cut the thin end of a potato generously and set it in a saucer with half an inch or so of water. Refresh the water every day and in time shoots will appear. When these shoots are over one foot long and develop a bark they can be used as slips and planted quite deeply at an angle in sandy soil. Water well until established.

If nitrogen-heavy fertilizer is used the plants will produce lots of leaves but small potatoes. Use a low nitrogen fertilizer for best results. A successful sweet potato patch will give good ground cover. Harvesting is done by digging your hands into the soil and feeling for potatoes of the right size. The most productive sweet potato generally available is Boniato, with white flesh. Here on Abaco many gardeners grow heirloom sweet potatoes – usually quite small – that have been around for generations, some white and others yellow.

Farmers grow their Irish potatoes from seed potato stock that is generally unavailable to gardeners. So back to the supermarket we go and look for pota-



*Either boil or roast the beets with the leaves cut away. These leaves are some of the most highly regarded 'greens'.*

toes that are developing 'eyes' or growth nodes. It is a good idea to grow the most expensive potatoes available, such as fingerlings or Yukon Gold.

Cut your 'seed' potato into wedges containing no more than one eye. Plant these five inches deep and lightly cover with soil. Once a shoot develops from the eye you can gradually add soil until the hole is filled, then add more mounded around the stem.

Once your potato plant has flowered and dies back it is time to harvest – one of the most rewarding of all gardening experiences. If your home grown potatoes are not as large as those in the super market, do not worry –

small potatoes usually cost more. Lift the plant with a garden fork and then sift through the soil with your hands.

Beets have been a popular crop on Abaco since time immemorial. Again, you can sow the seeds – actually capsules containing several seeds – in raised rows or in blocks (using your milk crate) three inches apart. Keep young plants moist and pull your crop when short of maturity. Either boil or roast the beets with the leaves cut away. These leaves are some of the most highly regarded 'greens' and are worth chopping and cooking gently in bacon fat or olive oil. The roots can be dressed with a balsamic vinegar based sauce to give a delicious sweet and sour experience, but bear in mind that beets taste delicious without any dressing.



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# SCHOOL & YOUTH NEWS

## Patrick J. Bethel Prefects Accomplish Many Feats in October



The Prefects of Patrick J. Bethel High School. Photo: Cirlain Coakley-Sawyer

*By Canishka Alexander*

On Oct. 24, Patrick J. Bethel High School (PJBH) held its Prefect Installation Ceremony. A total of 47 students were installed. Three male leaders – Jordan Vilma, Ivan Curry Jr. and Dremiko McIntosh – were chosen among the prefects for the 2017-2018 school year.

However, anticipation continued to build as students awaited the announcement of the school's heads and their deputies. Finally, it was announced that the

school's Head Boy is Ivan Curry Jr. and the Deputy Head Boys are Dremiko McIntosh and Jordan Vilma.

Jackline Jean-Jacques is PJBH's Head Girl along with Alexis Williams and Twaneshia Lightbourne as Deputy Head Girls.

Earlier in the month, prefects participated in a training seminar at the Marsh Harbour Church of Christ on Oct. 3. The seminar speakers were Toastmaster Raydon Poitier, who gave a presentation on

Public Speaking. Sgt. James Johnson, who also serves as School Police, spoke about non-violent conflict resolutions. Meanwhile, Pastor Victor Roberts delivered his remarks on building leader character.

Four days later, Cirlain Coakley-Sawyer, Business Teacher and Coordinator in charge of the Prefects, was accompanied by several prefects to the Bahamas Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (BASCD)'s one-day conference in New Providence.

"Four prefects attended along with myself namely Jordan Vilma, Christiano Swain, Alexis Williams and Stephanie Cartwright. The conference was really encouraging, and this was an effort to give our young people more exposure," Coakley-Sawyer explained.

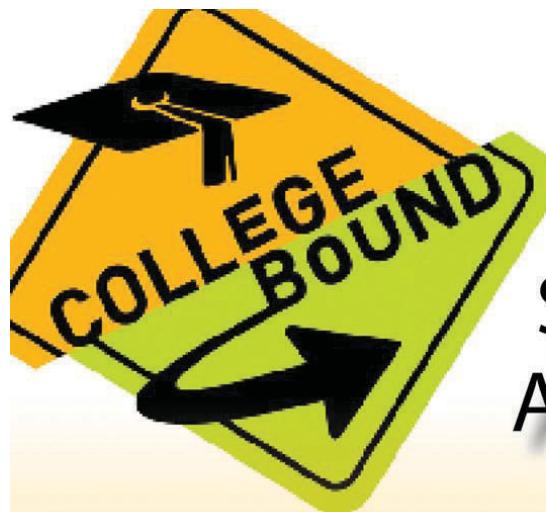
"The theme was 'It's Time! Changing Culture; Changing Outcomes'. We attended two sessions: one was health-focused on ensuring that we keep our bodies healthy to live a full and productive life and the second one was on supported-living, which is living life fully, taking care of self-first, and keeping stress down."

## Murphy Town Community Assoc. Organizes Children's Halloween Party



On Oct. 28, the Murphy Town Community Association organized a Spooktacular Children's Halloween Party at the Murphy Town Community Center. Children from Murphy Town and surrounding communities were invited to dress in their Halloween costumes for a chance to win the Best Costume Competition. Organizers provided food, drinks and fun games for the children to engage in. Face painting was also available.

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# OBITUARIES



Funeral Service for the late Vascille Stuart, age 44 years of Moores Island, was held on Saturday October 14 2017 at St. Matthew's Baptist Church, Moores island Abaco. Officiating was be Pastor. Ismeal Williams assisted by other Ministers of the gospel. Interment will follow in The Big Bay Public Cemetery.

He was predeceased by his Mother: Melvina McBride;

Memories will always be treasured in the hearts of his: Wife: Peggy Stuart; Children: Vatira, Viesha & Vascille Stuart Jr.; Father: Edward Stuart; Mother-in-law: Emily McBride; Brothers: Wilfred Hield, Tyrone Davis, Alexander Ronard, Johnathan, Osborne, Standley, Bradley, Edward Jr. and Burselle Stuart; Sisters: Joann and Tina Stuart, Esther Williams, Lindell

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Ethan and Carleward Johnson, Mannix Ospin Jr and Zhivargo McBride; God children: Dominique Swain, Wendella Stuart and Roshanna Martin. As well as a host of other relatives and friends.



Bennjamin Dawkins, 84, of Murphy Town, Abaco, died at his residence

on Sunday, 22nd October 2017.

He is survived by his sons: Henley and Vandyke Dawkins; daughters: Estar Owenta McDonald, Gwendolyn Dawkins, Emma Dawkins Ferguson, Misty Davis, Millie Dawkins and Roselle Dawkins Brice; sister: Marjorie Roberts; numerous grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends.



Joann Ulelsea Miller age 56 years of Murphy Town Abaco died on October 4 2017 at The Princess Margaret Hospital.

She is survived by her Children: Shawon Green Alicia Parker and Lenetra Miller, Delmon Parker, Nathaniel Hall; Two (2) Sisters: Sharon Russell and Monaleta Knowles; One (1) Son-in-law: Marvin Green; A host of other relatives and friends who will be listed at a later time.



Mr. Kenneth Harcourt Thompson, 77, of Man-O-War Cay,

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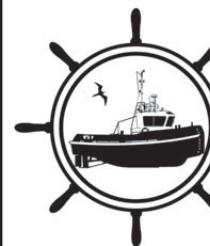
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# OBITUARIES

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Abaco, The Bahamas, died peacefully at the Princess Margaret Hospital, Shirley Street, Nassau, on Thursday, 19th October, 2017. Mr. Thompson's service was held at Man-O-War Cay Gospel Chapel, Man-O-War Cay, Abaco, on Monday, 30th October, 2017.

Brother Jim Bethel and Brother Jay Sands officiated and interment followed in Man-O-War Cay Public Cemetery, Man-O-War Cay, Abaco.

Mr. Thompson was predeceased by his wife, Vashti Una Thompson; parents, Kenneth and Lilas Thompson and his sister, Sarah Albury.

He is survived by his daughter, Ena Joy

Thompson; sister, Patsy Bethel; brother-in-law, Paul Bethel and many other relatives and friends.



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BURN, 45,  
of Dundas

Town, Abaco, died at the Princess Margaret Hospital on Monday, October 2nd, 2017.

He is survived by his Sons: Dru, Dre and Donavan Hepburn; Mother: Barbara Hepburn-

Reckley; Sisters: Debra Miller, Gail Hepburn and Phyllis Sullivan; Brothers: Samuel "Austin", David and Kevin Hepburn, Keno Archer, Bradley, Wayne and Joel Reckley; other relatives and friends including: Michelle Lowe.



Funer-  
al Service  
For HEN-  
RY COO-  
PER, 80,  
of Claridge

Road and formerly of Coopers Town, Abaco, was held on Saturday, October 7th, 2017 at Transfiguration Baptist Church, Market and Vesey Streets. Officiating was Rev. Dr. Stephen Thomas. Cremation followed.

He was predeceased by his brothers: Joseph and Charles first granddaughter: Anya Kendra Cooper.

Henry will be sadly missed by his wife of 57 years: Lillian; Children & Spouses: Elder Craig & Ella Cooper; Sherolyn & Larry Sears, Joann Stubbs, Pamela & Galvin Adderley and Tamara & Raymond Sears; 11 Grandchildren: Anquin and Anika Cooper; Kyle and Vestra Sears, Bijan and Jeffon Stubbs; Bria, Tiahra and Gyles Adderley; Reyhan and Raymond Sears; Brothers & Spouses: Archilaus (Estelle),

Hartman (Macy), Eric (Vivian) and Samuel (Anita) Cooper; Sisters & Spouses: Cleotha Edgecombe (Medious); Sheila Adderley and Vernie Smith (Rudy); Uncle: Cornelius Ambrose; Godchild: Agatha Williams; Brothers-in-law: Henry Stubbs and Nehemiah Stubbs of Miami Florida; Numerous Nieces and Nephews. A host of other relatives and friends including:

Rt. Hon. Hubert Ingraham; Genevieve LaRoda; Romeo Farrington; Corrine Duncombe; The Ambrose family; The Stubbs family; The Lowe family; The McIntosh family; The Cornish family; The Russell family; The Bonamy family; The Rolle family; Bahamas Customs; Transfiguration Baptist Church family; Trinity City of Praise Family; Dunamis Outreach Ministries; Royal Towers and Coral Towers Taxi Stands; Intertrust (Bahamas) Limited and The Coopers Town Community.

compassionate Doctors, Nurses and Staff at the Marsh Harbour Mini Hospital and The Staff of the Kemp's Funeral Home and Restview Memorial.

We would also like to thank everyone who has called, visited, messaged, and brought us food during this difficult time, we are grateful for your outpouring of support. We would further like to thank everyone who helped prepare food and drinks for the Celebration of Life Service for Tommy, your help was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Kent Sawyer, Kevin Sawyer, Tanya Cartwright, Ted Pierce, Dave Lowe, Andy Stratton, Keith Stratton, Cecile Albury, The Staff of Computer Creations and The Staff of Buds and Blooms.

Left to cherish and keep alive Tommy's memories are:

His wife Renee Thompson, Daughter Alanna Thompson-Bass, son Avery Thompson, son-in-law Joey Bass, mother-in-law Effie Schneider, Honorary father Art Yergey. Family: Scott and Nancy, Dan, Mike and Joyce, Ivy, Eleanor and Lowell, Clio and Curtis, Betty and Steve, Levon and Steve, Louis, Eugene, Carl, Connie, Steve and Missy, Kitty and Dick, Lucille, Gayle, Vince, Palmer and Shelby, David and Barbara, Lance and Jordana, Krispin, Trent, Susan, Kyle, Chesney, Monique, Stacy, Shanna and Dwayne, Krista and Brenton, Nicole, Heather and Randy, Ashley, Ryan, Loretta and Harrison, Jennifer, Karla, Holly, Brad, Grant and Mailin, Regnar, Megan, , Aunt Rosie, Miguel, Kristin.



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Thompson,  
age 57, of  
Marsh Har-  
bour passed  
away on

Saturday September 16th, 2017. The Celebration of Life Service for Mr Thompson was held on Sunday September 24th, 2017 at New Vision Ministries in Marsh Harbour.

On behalf of His wife Renee, His daughter Alanna and His son Avery, we would like to say a heartfelt thank you to the ladies of the Abaco EMS Ambulance Service, The caring and

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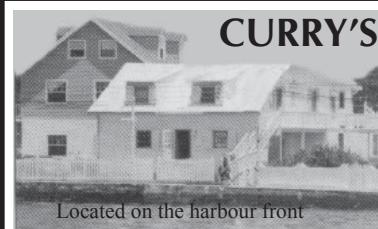
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- Serious; Aft-most part of a ship.
- , Upward, Onward, Together
- Famous Blue Hole in Long Island
- Congest roads.
- Doppelganger, pretender
- Calcium carbonate based sedimentary rock

## Down

- Equipment used with diving and breathing underwater.
- National bird of The Bahamas
- A physical blow from a fist; a fruity cocktail
- Able to read
- Harbour Island is famous for having a beach with sand that is this unusual colour.
- Copying; replicating
- Sweet substance made by bees.
- Bladed utensil
- Victory

### OCT 1 Answers

#### Across

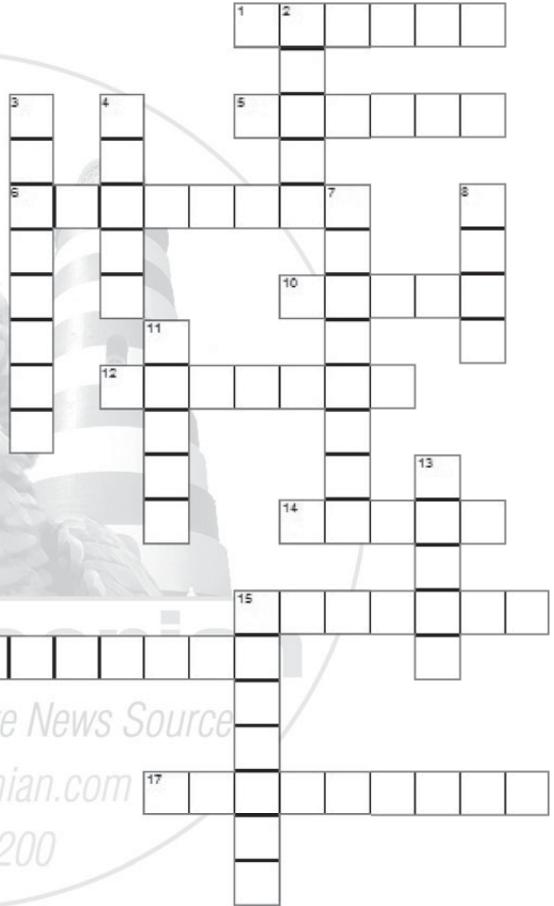
- PREQUEL**—A work of fiction that chronologically occurs before a more well-known work.
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# 266 Easy	# 266 Medium	# 266 Hard
5 2 6 9   1 6 3   8 7 4	7 8 3   9 1 4   2 6 5	8 4 3   2 1 7   9 6 5
7 8 4   9 5 2   6 3 1	4 5 2   6 7 3   9 1 8	6 5 2   8 9 3   7 1 4
1 6 3   4 7 8   9 5 2	9 1 6   2 5 8   3 4 7	7 9 1   4 6 5   2 3 8
2 1 5   3 8 7   4 6 9	6 7 9   3 8 1   4 5 2	9 6 5   7 2 1   8 4 3
4 9 8   5 1 6   7 2 3	8 2 5   4 6 7   1 3 9	2 3 8   9 4 6   1 5 7
3 7 6   2 9 4   5 1 8	1 3 4   5 9 2   7 8 6	1 7 4   3 5 8   6 9 2
9 4 7   6 2 1   3 8 5	2 4 8   7 3 5   6 9 1	3 8 9   6 7 4   5 2 1
6 3 2   8 4 5   1 9 7	3 6 1   8 2 9   5 7 4	4 1 6   5 8 2   3 7 9
8 5 1   7 3 9   2 4 6	5 9 7   1 4 6   8 2 3	5 2 7   1 3 9   4 8 6

The rules to play Sudoku are quite simple. Fill in the blanks so that each row, each column, and each of the nine 3x3 grids contain one instance of each of the numbers 1 through 9.

#### EASY # 267

8	9	4	1					
6	7			1	9	3		
2				7				
3	4	6			1			
		9			5			
		2			5			
6	5		4		2			
7	3	1						

#### MEDIUM # 267

4	7			3				
		2		5				
8		1		2	7			
		3			9			
2								
	4			8	5			
	9				1			
7		6	8					
	4	1						

#### HARD # 267

7	3			1				
	9	6	1					
2		4						
	5	2						
3			9					
	5	1	4		3			
			1					

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