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## Scholarship and Career Fairs

March 17 saw a flurry of activities at all UB campuses, the most popular being UB's annual scholarship and career fair. Many questions about higher education are related to its cost. A look at college tuition these days reveals that concerns abound about the affordability of college. For this reason, for the past six years UB has been hosting a scholarship fair for its students. Donor agencies and scholarship partners made presentations as follows: Social Security Board, Ministry of Education, Scotia Bank, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Cuban, Mexican, Venezuelan and Taiwanese embassies, Belize Defense Force, and UB's Student Services.



Vignette of Bmp campus's fair



L-R: Lloyd Fairweather and Maureen Navarrete



L-R: Nigel Encalada, Teresita Torres, Silvaana Udz, Chief Justice Dr. Abdulai Conteh, Asst. Provost Dr. Cynthia Thompson, Jasmine Anderson and Norris Gordon

## Graduation Gown Design Winners

UB launched its undergraduate gown competition in October 2009, and the competition culminated with 49 entries from across the country on January 25, 2010. The public was invited to design a national look for the UB graduation gown. Lead judge was Chief Justice, Dr. Abdulai Conteh; his panel consisted of Nigel Encalada, Director of the Institute of Social Cultural Research (ICSR) at NICH; Teresita Torres of NICH, UB's Assistant Provost, Dr. Cynthia Thompson; UB's Public Information Officer, Silvaana Udz; Jasmine Anderson, Vice President of the UB Association of Student Governments and Norris Gordon, UB student. The panel of judges deliberated for hours until a winner was chosen. The winning gown was designed by Lloyd Sherie Fairweather of Belize City, second place went to Maureen Navarrete of Belmopan, and third place went to Hugo Mendoza of Orange Walk. All entries were displayed at the Belmopan campus on March 17 at the Scholarship/Career Fair; an internal subcommittee at UB is now finalizing the winning design, as the rules indicated, and the new UB undergraduate gown will be modeled at the June 2010 graduation. It is expected to be in full use by June 2011.

## AMLT Program Review

As part of its commitment to improving the quality, relevance and sustainability of its academic programs, UB is currently engaged in the formal evaluation of seven of its academic programs. The associate degree in Applied Science, Medical Laboratory Technology (AMLT), offered by the Faculty of Nursing, Allied Health and Social Work (FNAHSW), is one of the programs under review. The internal review process (self study) of the AMLT program is nearing completion. A survey involving UB stakeholders was conducted, as part of this process, to evaluate the performance of the program against UB's internal standards. The next stage of the review is the external evaluation in which a three member external peer review team (EPRT) examines the self study report and institutional documents and makes recommendations to address weaknesses identified. The members of the EPRT are: Dr. Robert V. Tucker, Health Planner, Policy Analysis and Planning Unit from the Ministry of Health; Mrs. Wendy Kitson-Piggott, Laboratory Management & Quality Systems Specialist Trinidad & Tobago, W.I. and Miss Georgia Griffith, Lecturer at the Maud Williams High School in Belize City. Mrs. Trudy Tillett of UB's FNAHSW is the program review team leader.

## The UB Library: New EBSCOhost Caribbean Search Database

This semester the UB library had trial access to five new databases from EBSCOhost: Education Research Complete, Environment Complete, Computers & Applied Sciences Complete, CINAHL with Full Text, and Hospitality & Tourism Complete. Additionally, the UB library is now proudly boasting of another newly added database EBSCOhost is launching called Caribbean Search. Caribbean Search will be the world's most comprehensive research database covering the Caribbean region. Its extensive scope and content provide users with a wealth of extremely useful information encompassing the broad spectrum of Caribbean study. The database features more than 200,000 records with full text for more than 80 journals and magazines, over 600 full text books (from regional publishers like Ian Randle, UWI Press, etc) and additional content ranging from economic and country reports to conference papers and Caribbean newspapers. This new database is a first of its kind full text database, covering exclusively the Caribbean region, Belize included. The entire UB community is encouraged to utilize the databases and provide the library with feedback. Submit questions, concerns or queries to [reference@ub.edu.bz](mailto:reference@ub.edu.bz). Your feedback will assist the library in determining whether a paid subscription to the databases will be relevant and beneficial.



## SG News: New Picnic Tables on Campus

The Belmopan Student Government is proud to boast of its 10 newly purchased picnic tables. The tables were freshly painted by UB student volunteers, and were strategically placed under the white tent, RLC, and under different trees on the campus, as the seating arrangements in the library and computer labs are sometimes limited or congested.

The SG is asking the student body to help them protect this beneficial investment by discouraging individuals from vandalizing the tables. Also...UBSG in collaboration with Presidential Sounds held its official fundraising pre-Easter bash at El Rancho in Belmopan on Thursday, March 25. Proceeds from this dance will be used to sponsor the upcoming annual Mr. and Ms. UB Pageant and a bus shed in Belmopan campus parking lot. For more information or to sign up for the Mr. and Ms. UB Pageant, interested contestants are asked to contact the SG office in Belmopan.

## Environmental Club & Pro Solar Engineering

The UB Environmental Club despite a tense La Ruta Maya weekend successfully launched its riparian forest campaign. With positive attitudes the students went out creating awareness of the importance of protecting the riparian forest. The club also picked up 130 bags of garbage along the river during La Ruta Maya River Challenge. And on Friday March 12, UB's Environmental Club received a check valued at \$130.00 - a dollar for every bag of garbage they picked up along the river (See sponsor list on pg 4). The donation was from Pro Solar Engineering, a company specializing in renewable energy (solar, wind and micro-hydro systems designs). Pro Solar Engineering notes that the care shown for the environment is commendable- UB agrees! The check was handed over by Mr. Marco Valle and received by Ms. Dairy Grijalva, co-president of the club.



L-R : Marco Valle and Dairy Grijalva



## UB Celebrates Early Childhood Month

In order to create community awareness of and sensitivity to the importance of early childhood education, UB's Early Childhood Education Stimulation Center (ECESC) participated in the annual Childhood Stimulation Month celebrated under the theme, "Investing in Early Childhood Education = A Better Belize!"



The theme is selected each year by the Ministry of Education. This year the celebration kicked off at 9:00 a.m. at the Independence Plaza on March 1st, with a small ceremony followed by the parade around the ring road. Twelve preschools in the Belmopan area participated, and UB is proud to boast the only school that entered with a float. For next year, organizers say they are expecting even more students from UB to participate. Among the many exciting activities UB's ECESC participated in for the month of March is the Festival of Arts, hosted this year by El Shaddai Adventist, a primary school in Belmopan. UB's ECESC learners presented a poem on shapes and the song *Da fu mi ahn yu*. They had fun, did well and looked great!

## Earth Day 2010: Preview

UB will celebrate its fourth annual Earth Day Fair at its Belmopan central campus on April 22nd starting at 9am. Last year's fair had informational booths, an environmental action project contest, interactive learning activities for children, prizes, music, and more; this year's fair will see similar activities and NEW initiatives! For example, UB's 2010 fair will have a **Green Outfit Contest**. To participate contact Betty Cheng at [ubgreengeneration@gmail.com](mailto:ubgreengeneration@gmail.com). Deadline for submission is April 16. UB also reminds all of the Environmental Club's "Energy Saving Campaign" launched October 2009. If you are the last person leaving the room be sure to turn off lights, fans and AC units. The club is also asking that papers be placed in the designated containers on campuses as part of a paper recycling project.



## UB & Kennesaw State University Exchange Program

Since 2004, UB has been partnering with Kennesaw State University (KSU) to establish a cooperative agreement for the systematic exchange of academic and professional staff and students engaged in study, instruction, research and other scholarly activities, as well as other mutually beneficial cooperative ventures. KSU student teachers have been engaged in instruction in student teaching in Belize City, Belmopan and San Ignacio, being supervised by KSU and UB personnel. In addition, three UB faculty Anelita Cal, Kevin Tucker and Ewart Robateau were awarded scholarships at KSU to complete master's degrees in advanced programs. Principals in Belize City, San Ignacio and UB look forward to a continuing relationship with KSU student teachers and faculty. The KSU team that visited say they are looking forward to offering student teaching opportunities at KSU to UB teacher preparation candidates. UB and KSU look forward to program progress, collaboration and development of activities for the promotion of global learning for KSU and UB faculty and students.

### Martin University

Martin University visited Belize for the fourth consecutive year. The Martin University cultural immersion experience in Belize has proved very educational and rewarding. Martin University has worked with the University of Belize over the last four years to provide Martin students with a cultural immersion learning experience in Belize. In this experience, students enroll for a Global Exchange course and meet four to six sessions prior to traveling to Belize. In these classes, students are oriented to the Belizean culture, history, and geography, through readings and presentations by Belizean speakers and Martin students who have previously traveled to Belize. During the trips around the country, students gain firsthand knowledge and exposure to Belize, its people and UB students. The highlight of this year's trip was a two day visit to Hunting Caye where the students engaged in a marine science research project. On each of the four Belize trips, students have been provided with a minimum of three lectures conducted by persons associated with UB. This year's presentation was done by Mr. Inez Sanchez. The students return to Martin and assess the experience in discussions that allow Martin University and UB representatives the opportunity to enhance the cultural immersion experience for the next trip.



## Inauguration of UB/EU Rural IT Project Countrywide



UB invited all suitably, qualified Community Based Organizations (CBOs) including village councils, women's group, youth groups, and Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs) from the Corozal and Orange Walk districts to submit proposals for the establishment of a Rural ICT Center in their community. The initiative was supported by financial assistance from the European Development Fund and the Government of Belize through the Belize Rural Development Program (BRDP). A total of 22 sites have since been established in the rural areas of Belize in all 6 Districts. Each site received desks, telecom closets, 5 PCs, UPS, network switches, complete network drops, network laser printers, photocopiers, satellite receivers, satellite plan, retrofitting, networking, IT capacity building and business management training, each amounting to a total of \$28,000.00 Belize dollars. Among the already established IT projects, 8 other cafes were also refurbished.



Ms. Paulino's ENED 250 students enthrall UB's Early Childhood Education Stimulation Center students

### FEA: Storytelling at UB

FEA lecturer **Ethnelde Paulino** and her students of ENED 250 (Children's Literature) brought joy to UB's Early Childhood Stimulation Center on March 23. Ms. Paulino has built in the storytelling activity into her course outline to coincide with Child Stimulation Month. Ms. Paulino reports that the exercise is a wonderful hands on method to engage students in real life early childhood teaching; students had to devise different methods to engage the children, as at the early childhood age, attention spans are short and much variation in activities needs to occur. Kudos to Ms. Ethie and her ENED 250 class!



## UB's Recreation and Sports: Volleyball, Basketball, Softball, Football, Canoeing

### UB Basketball!

The UB basketball team opened up the Digicell Balling-for-Life tournament on March 5 at the Belize City Center and won in convincing fashion over the Habet Berger Boys, 107-77. The teamwork that was displayed by the Jaguars was the reason for the big victory. All the players did their job on the floor. The team was led in scoring by Winston Pratt with 30 points followed by Daniel Nolberto with 19 points, Richard Soto with 13 points and Stephen Williams with 12 points. And on March 19th the Black Jaguars went on to beat Jamboree, 88-46. The Jaguars displayed superior teamwork and determination! In this game, the UB team did not have a player score over 12pts, but 8 players scored between 8 to 12 pts. This balanced scoring mixed with a strong defense held the Jamborees to 5pts the second quarter and 21pts the whole 2nd half. UB plays again on April 9th at 9am at Belize City Center. The Jaguars are also pleased to introduce the newest member of their team, the Black Jaguar Mascot. Also...the Black Jaguars coaches and players continue to show great community service, with the latest at the Special Olympics Fun Run held on March 24.



**Special Olympics runners** Stephen Williams, Tyrone Castillo, Jorett Jones, Juslyn Castillo and Lindbergh Graham. Winston Pratt, Travis Lennan, Daniel Nolberto w/ **First Lady Mrs. Kim Barrow**

### La Ruta Maya

UB had an excellent showing in the annual, grueling 179-mile long La Ruta Maya Canoe Race! The male Black Jaguars team placed 2nd in the Intramural category, with sponsorship from Koop Sheet Metal and Creative Marketing. The 2010 UB male team was comprised of the following students Pedro Witz (Captain), Elvis Sutherland and Kristopher Waight. UB's Environmental Club also had a canoe sponsored by WSI Solutions, which hosts the Belmopan City online website, Turneffe Flats Resorts, PACT, MesoAmerican Society for Biology and Conservation (MSBC) Bz Chapter, Santorini, JDB Ltd., Ms. Lisel Alamilla, Mr. Will Mejia, UB Student Affairs and the UB community, which supported - bake sales, movie nights and monetary contributions. See p. 2 for more on the Environmental Club.



**L-R: Kirk Smith, Kristopher Waight, Elvis Southerland, Pedro Witz, and a sponsor and UB alumnus, Jose Ketz**



### Black Jaguars Teams Gear Up for CSUCA Games in April

The UB Black Jaguars are roaring into April as basketball and football UB athletes prepare for the CSUCA games from April 24 -30 in Honduras! (They travel April 22 – May 1). CSUCA is the Consejo Superior Universitario Centroamericano. UB Black Jaguars basketball coach is Kevin Siroki; Asst. Coach is Darren Bovell. Players are Farron Louriano, Stephen Williams, Travis Lennan, Tyrone Castillo, Winston Pratt, Ryan Zuniga, Leroy Louriano, Daniel Nolberto, Jorett Jones, Juslyn Castillo and Lindbergh Graham. The UB Black Jaguars football manager is Ian Sangster; Coach is Paul Morgan. Players are Shane Armstrong, Marco Ayala, David Borland, Modesto Cal, Lisbey Castillo, Lance Jacobs, Philip Lewis, Danilo Marcillio, Collin Moody, Normon Elington, Zebedee Moore, Daniel Padilla, James N. Petillo, Stephen Polonio, Duane Sampson, Benedicto Yatz, Kaylon Young and Garreth Bermudez.



**Vignette of the UB Black Jaguars football team and its manager Ian Sangster**

### UB Relathon 2010

The annual UB Relathon took place on Sunday March 21st! The race was exciting and energetic from start to finish and even more so when the female runners crossed the finish line and emerged supreme. A total of 27 females and 35 males ran in 70-mile long race. It began at 9:20 a.m., with the males starting off in San Ignacio in front of the police station and the females starting simultaneously from Market Square in Belmopan. The female runner with the best time was Kaina Martinez who completed a mile in 6:30, while the best male runner was Danile Nolberto who completed a mile in 4:42. Kudos to all sponsors, lecturers, staff, coaches and especially to all UB students both past and present who made the race possible! The annual UB Relathon began at the former Belize Technical College 32 years ago.



**Female runners, coaches and supporters.**



**Dr. Thomasine Baker** shows the young students at the Early Childhood Education Stimulation Center how to power on the computer, the first step in their technological development

## Rotary's Donation to Early Childhood

UB's Assistant Professor in the Faculty of Education and Arts, Dr. Thomasine Baker, as part of her service to national development, has been working with a group of Rotarians from Sylvania, Ohio for more than a year in order to procure computers for the children at different child centers. It has been a long arduous road, but the computers arrived and have been donated to UB's Early Childhood Education Stimulation Center (ECESC), as well as to other sites in Armenia and St. Margaret's Village. Each site was given educational material and computer technology with the intent of developing family literacy centers. Dr. Baker is very pleased to announce that all went as planned, and the three programs are well on their way to providing this much needed service. The UB-ECESC was the recipient of nine computers, one printer and a variety of educational materials. Kudos to Dr. Baker, and also to Mr. Mel Honig and his team of Rotarians for their generous donation and their vision to the development of UB and Belize.

## UB Library: EBSCOhost Training

The UB Library is once again conducting workshops on the use of EBSCOhost databases. The library recently subscribed to various trial databases that may prove to be extremely beneficial to the different faculties. The trial versions are Education Research Complete, Environment Complete, Computers & Applied Sciences Complete, CINAHL with Full Text, and Hospitality & Tourism Complete. These are all from EBSCOhost. Additionally, there is the newly added Caribbean Search database. Lecturers are asked to encourage students to attend workshops and interested lecturers are advised to contact the nearest UB library for individual training with a staff member of the library, if so desired. Several sessions occurred in March, and the schedule for the April sessions is as follows (Central Farm will be arranged separately):

**Belize City at the Faculty of Management and Social Sciences compound:** April 7, 4:00 -5:15 p.m., Rm. N21

**Toledo Campus:** April 9, 10:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m., Rm: Computer Lab

**Belmopan (Central Campus):** April 21, 5:30—6:45 p.m., Jaguar Building, Rm U2



(L) David Jones, Bookstore Manager

## Pearson's Book Fair at UB

UB hosted lecturers from tertiary level institutions across the country for a book display on March 17 in the lobby of UB's Jaguar Auditorium. The display was hosted by Pearson Education. Pearson Education operates in the United States and the United Kingdom. The books are user friendly and come with a test bank and PowerPoint for lectures, as well as online support for students. **David Jones**, UB's Bookstore Manager, says he highly encourages lecturers to use the books and highly recommends them. Pearson also hosted a similar display at UB last year.

**Look out for BOOK WEEK activities April 21-23 and UB's role in it!**

## Study Design & Statistical Analysis Workshop

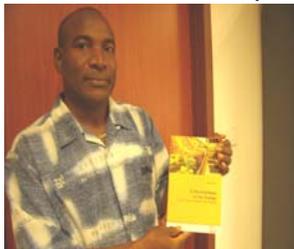
The UB community attended a Study Design and Statistical Analysis Workshop, which was for all UB faculty, staff and students. The workshop, an endeavor done in cooperation with the Darwin Initiative of the United Kingdom, was for two days, March 22nd and 23rd, and was held inside UB's Jaguar Auditorium. The workshop proved very beneficial to those who plan to do research or those who just want to learn more about statistical analysis. The guest speaker for both days was Dr. Patrick Doncaster from England.



**Dr. Patrick Doncaster**

## Lecturers Publish

### *In the Footsteps of the Orange: A Value Chain for Belize's FCOJ Exports*



**Dr. Phillip Castillo and his book!**

UB's **Dr. Phillip Castillo!** His book has been published! It is based on his doctoral dissertation. This exciting contribution to research literature is entitled *In the Footsteps of the Orange: A Value Chain for Belize's FCOJ Exports*. It is published by VDM Publishing house, Germany and is available via Amazon at the moment, although Dr. Castillo is looking into getting some copies for the Belize market. Dr. Castillo holds a Ph.D. in Development Studies from UWI (2006). He is a development economist and social research scientist. At UB, he currently serves as Assistant Professor and Chair of the Faculty of Management and Social Sciences at the Belmopan campus. He is teaching this semester Socio-economic Development and serving as research advisor for seminar courses. Dr. Castillo's research interests include value chain analyses for Belize's agricultural exports. The blurb at the back of the book states the following:

"Value chain studies have assumed a greater significance as developing countries seek innovative and sustainable ways of garnering a larger percentage of the value of their export earnings. Belize is a Caribbean country in Central America that remains substantially dependent on agriculture for a sizeable portion of its foreign exchange earnings. Dominant among its agricultural exports is Frozen Concentrated Orange Juice (FCOJ), which is exported to Florida where it is blended and resold across the United States as chilled orange juice. This continuum, from harvesting and cultivation in southern Belize to final consumption in the USA, generates revenue streams at various nodes of this value chain. The apportionment of these earnings, first between Belize and the USA and the subsequent distribution of earnings retained within Belize, brings to the fore socio-economic and political consequences that are all explored in this study." CONGRATS Dr. Castillo!

### *Mahogany Whispers*

Mahogany Whispers is a book of poetry by UB's Ritamae Hyde, released on March 25, at the Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts in Belize City. *Mahogany Whispers* is a verse in a continuous song of experience of a country and people. This book takes into account the whispers of our ancestors whose blood was shed in the making of this nation we call Belize. It takes into account the present day societies that emerged with its myriad of self-love and hatred, of women and society, of crime and violence, of love and pain, and liberation. Ritamae Hyde is a member of the Belize Writers and Poets Society and Pantempts Steel Orchestra. She holds a Master of Arts degree in Heritage Studies from the University of the West Indies Mona and is presently a lecturer in the History and Anthropology Department at the University of Belize.



**Ritamae Hyde**

### **UBFSA**

On March 3, UB's Faculty and Staff Association (UBFSA) reinstated the association after a hiatus of some 3 years, and after the dissolution of the ProTem Committee that effectively acted on faculty and staff's behalf in the October 2009 de-freezing of increments. UBFSA's president is **Dr. Isabel Tun**. Look out for more on UBFSA in subsequent issues!



**UB's Leonard Mortis**

Mr. Mortis' thesis has been well-received by Belize's Central Building Authority, the Assn. of Professional Engineers of Belize and Belize's Contractors Association.

### FST's Leonard Mortis Publishes

The Chair of UB's Engineering Department in the Faculty of Science and Technology (FST), **Leonard Mortis**, is a corresponding author in a journal publication this April. The article is entitled "Evaluating Satisfaction with PCM Services for School Construction: A Case Study of Primary School Projects." It occurs in the *International Journal of Project Management*, Volume 28, Issue 3, pages 296-310. Authors include Mr. Mortis' college advisor Professor Wei-Tong Chen of the National Yunlin University of Science and Technology which Mr. Mortis attended in Taiwan, Shen Li Lia, Chun Shen Lu. You can access the article at the following link:

[linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/S0263786309000738](http://linkinghub.elsevier.com/retrieve/pii/S0263786309000738)

**Note:** Leonard Mortis' master's thesis is entitled "A Survey of the Safety Environment of the Construction Industry in Belize." He completed it in June 2009. The thesis is housed at the UB Library, Belmopan Campus for perusal. **Congrats, Mr. Mortis!**

UB's **Dr. Ismael A. Hoare** presented at the University of South Florida in Tampa on March 30 on "Establishing an Observatory of Human Resource in Health: Implications for Access to Healthcare in Belize." Dr. Hoare has a Ph.D from USF; his presentation was a part of USF's College of Public Health Dean's Lecture Series. **Congrats, Dr. Ismael Hoare!**

### New Financial Director

UB is pleased to welcome **Sandra Miranda** as its new Director of Finance. Ms. Miranda holds an MBA in management and a bachelor's in accounting, both from UWI. Additionally, she has working experience of over 30 years; from 1975—2000, she worked at various ministries and departments of government, beginning with the Income Tax Dept., where she was an assessor. From 2001—2006, she worked as the Director of Finance at the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital; from 2006 until her current appointment at UB, Ms. Miranda was the accountant for the Belize Rural Development Project and its EU funded programs, such as the Rural IT project UB is coordinating. In addition to her sterling professional work and acumen with accounting software such as QuickBooks and SQL Ledger System, Ms. Miranda also is a mother of four and an avid community volunteer, currently serving as the VP of the Belmopan Branch of the National Garifuna Council. She has also taught accounting subjects at both UWI and UB.



**Ms. Sandra Miranda**

### New Accountant

Following the previous accountant's new posting as accountant to the Environmental Research Institute, UB is also pleased to welcome another new face to the Office of Budget and Financial Management. She is **Dawn Smith**, an alumna of UB who graduated with a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University College of Belize, one of the preamalgamated institutions. Ms. Smith brings ten years of experience in auditing and accounting. Her previous work experience was at Deloitte and Touche auditing firm, now known as Castillo, Sanchez and Burrell, at BTL and at Novelo's Bus Line. Ms. Smith says she is very pleased to take up appointment at the national university, and she looks forward to being a part of the development of UB! Ms. Smith is also involved in community work, and she is the president of the organizing committee of the Commission of the Belize Karate Federation.

**Julissa Bardalez** is another new UB face! She is the Administrative Assistant for UB's newest center, the Environmental Research Center. She took up her post just before the official launch of the center on January 27, and she was instrumental in helping with the coordination of the festive launch activities. Welcome to UB, Julissa!



**Ms. Dawn Smith**



**Ms. Julissa Bardalez**



UB's Alumni Association (UBAA) is pleased to announce its alumnus of the month, Mr. Wilbert Ramclam. Wilbert graduated with honors from the Belize School of Agriculture in 1997 and later pursued a degree in Biology with a minor in Natural Resource Management at the University College of Belize, graduating in 1999 with a Bachelor of Science degree. After UCB he worked with NOVA shrimp farms and the Banana Growers Association but later went to further his studies. He was awarded the Chevening Scholarship, through which he completed a master's degree in tropical crop production at the University of Reading in the UK. Wilbert's passion, dedication and hard work in farming earned him the title of 'Farmer of the Year' in April 2007. He worked for 3 years as the nematode and crop nutrition specialist at the Banana Growers Association (BGA) and currently works as the manager of fertilizer and agrochemical supplies at the Banana Enterprises Limited Agro Division (Belagro) in Big Creek. Wilbert still finds time to run his 200 acre farm of combined citrus and pasture with 600 pigs and 60 cattle. He is very supportive of UBAA activities and believes that his training at our national university is invaluable. Mr. Wilbert Ramclam is a proud graduate of our national university; he believes that it not only prepared him for further studies but also *for life!* You are encouraged to send nominations for 'Alumnus of the Month' to [ubalumni@ub.edu.bz](mailto:ubalumni@ub.edu.bz) or [cynthiaterry@hotmail.com](mailto:cynthiaterry@hotmail.com) (President UBAA).





# Calendar of Events

April 2010

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1- UB closes for Easter Break at noon	2-	3-
4 -Easter Sunday	5-	6- Return from Easter Break -Last day to withdraw WP/WF	7- Ebscohost Training Session, BZ City	8-	9- Entrepreneurship Competition -Ebscohost Training (Tol) -Black Jaguars at Bz City Ctr	10 -
11 -	12 - Pre-Registration begins	13 -	14 -	15	16 - UB Fun Day (St. Govt) -Deadline for nominations: SG elections	17
18	19 -	20 -	21-Student Government Hour, 2 - 3 pm, -Book Week activity -Ebscohost session 5:30pm, Jag U2	22 - Earth Day Fair, Bmp Campus -Book Week activity	23- End of Pre Regis. -Last day to apply for Dec. 2010 degree completion -Book Week activity	24-Atlib Softball Nationals -Black Jaguars at CSUCA
25- Black Jaguars at CSUCA Games	26 -Black Jaguars at CSUCA Games	27- Black Jaguars at CSUCA Games	28-Wellness Day, all campuses -Black Jaguars at CSUCA Games	29 - Black Jaguars at CSUCA Games	30-Last day to withdraw from a course with a WP/WF -Final CSUCA Games	
<b>For the most updated information on UB events, check <a href="http://www.ub.edu.bz">UB NEWS</a> at <a href="http://www.ub.edu.bz">www.ub.edu.bz</a></b>						

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The University of Belize is a national, autonomous and multi-location institution committed to excellence in higher education, research and service for national development. As a catalyst of change it provides relevant, affordable and accessible educational and training programs that address national needs based on principles of freedom, equity, transparency, merit and accountability.

Looking Towards May 2010

- \* May 6: **Student Government's Mr. & Ms. UB Pageant**
- \* May 5: **Student Government Elections**      \*May 17-24: **Examinations**
- \* May 29: UBAA: **UB's Alumni Association Annual General Meeting**



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