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Inquiry into police shootings

By Bert Wilkinson

The Guyanese commission of inquiry into the July 18 fatal police shooting of three opposition supporters and injury to more than 20 in the bauxite mining community of Linden began in earnest this week with chief cop Leroy Brummel swearing that he never ordered officers to use live rounds on citizens and that the action of his ranks amounted to an unnecessary overkill to peaceful protestors.

Testifying before the commission that comprises retired Jamaican Chief Justice Leslie Wolfe, former Jamaican Foreign Minister and Senior Counsel K. D. Knight, Trinidad Law Professor Dana Seetahal and two Guyanese jurists, Brummel said live fire was uncalled for but he is aware that National Security Minister Clement Rohee had long developed the habit of calling junior officers directly and in doing so bypassing his authority.

He, however, denied directly knowing whether Rohee did in fact call Supt. Clifton Hicken, the interior commander, or Asst.

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Groundbreaking Apollo Music Series

Amanda 'Diva' Seales from MTV's *Hip Hop POS* will host the opening night concert Oct. 3 in Apollo Theater's highly-anticipated third showcase of creative underground artists.

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Photo courtesy Apollo Theater.

HAITI, J'A MAX VISAS

Ineligible for the 2014 Round

By Nelson A. King

The United States says Haitians and Jamaicans are among nationals not eligible to apply for the 2014 Diversity Visa (DV) Program.

The U.S. Department of State said those nationals are ineligible because their countries "sent more than 50,000 immigrants to

the United States in the previous five years."

Other countries ineligible are: Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, China (mainland-born), Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, India, Mexico, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, South Korea,

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THE NEWS FROM BACK HOME

Antigua

The government of Antigua and Barbuda is likely to follow Belize and allow for a debate on the decriminalization of marijuana.

Speaking on a local radio program, National Security Minister Dr. Errol Cort said there were strong arguments in favor of changing the existing laws and would welcome a debate.

"I am aware, however, there is a push in various quarters to decriminalize marijuana. Persons have made the argument that there is medicinal usage from marijuana and others have said marijuana is part of a whole religious entity especially from the Rastafarian movement," he said.

He said another set of arguments indicate that, notwithstanding the facts about marijuana, the illegal drugs trade continues to flourish.

But he warned that any change to the existing laws would only come following widespread public consultation.



Bahamas

A 44-year-old man from the Dominican Republic was jailed for four years by a magistrate in the Bahamas court for having \$2.5 million worth of cocaine.

Police charged Jose Cabrera, of Santo Domingo, on suspicion of drug smuggling at North West Cay, of Great Inaugua, on Aug. 30, 2012.

Law enforcement officers dug up six crocus bags containing 140 kilos of cocaine after Cabrera showed them the hiding spot on the cay.

The court heard that Cabrera and others buried the drugs on the Cay several months ago when they encountered bad weather. Cabrera said that he did not know he was in Bahamian territory because he was lost.

Cabrera said his boss sent him to retrieve the drugs when he was arrested, the court was told.

He pleaded guilty to the charges of conspiracy to possess drugs with the intent to supply and cocaine possession when he appeared before Chief Magistrate Carolita Bethell on Sept. 4, 2012.

Sean Pratt, 41, the second defendant in the case, faces charg-



Cuba's sugar rebirth

In this Sept. 8, 2012 photo, a man rides in a horse-drawn carriage outside the sugar processing plant "Brasil" in Jaronu, Cuba. Just two years ago, Cuba's sugar industry was on its knees after the worst harvest in more than a century. Now Cuba's signature industry is showing signs of life. Hulking processing plants are coming back online, and the harvest is growing by double digits each year, a boon to rural towns like Jaronu. See page 8. AP Photo/Franklin Reyes

es of cocaine possession with the intent to supply and conspiracy to possess cocaine with intent to supply.

Pratt, of the Turks and Caicos Islands, has pleaded not guilty to the charges. He was denied bail and remanded in custody until April 25, 2013.

Barbados

Cuban Raul Garcia, who remained in jail despite having completed a 20-year jail sentence on drug-related charges in Barbados is to be released and placed in a safe house "under the auspices of the Barbados Defense Force," the Nation newspaper reported.

Recently, Prime Minister Freundel Stuart said the government is considering two options with respect to the future of Garcia, telling reporters that the options have to be carefully examined given the national security concerns of the island.

Garcia has remained incarcerated because of complications associated with his immigration status.



Stuart said "the nature of the offence for which he was convicted is an offence that has grave implications. Or would had have grave implications for Barbados had he not been nabbed and prosecuted."

Garcia was arrested on Sept. 28, 1994 on drug charges. He was sentenced to life imprisonment, along with a US\$500,000 fine.

But he successfully appealed the sentence and five years later he was given a 20-year term.

Cayman Islands

Premier McKeever Bush, who is also minister of Finance, has announced that JetBlue Airlines will soon begin service to the Cayman Islands.

JetBlue is expected to serve Grand Cayman's Owen Roberts International Airport with three times weekly service on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from New York JFK Airport beginning November 15, 2012.

The airline will also include a Saturday-only service to the Cayman Islands from Boston's Logan International Airport, which it



plans to start from Nov. 17.

Bush said this development has been part of his government's undertaking to expand the catchment area of the tourist market.

"We are prepared to work with the air carriers through the Cayman Islands Airports Authority," he said.

Guyana

The Guyana economy grew by 2.8 percent during the first six months of this year, Finance Minister Dr. Ashni Singh said.

In a review of the country's mid-year performance, Singh said that "this growth reflects continued progress on the diversification of the productive sector where we have now arrived at a point where we are no longer as we were 10 years ago, entirely dependent on one, two or three dominant sectors."

He said there had been significant strides in diversifying the economy resulting in the 2.8 percent growth even though there had been a contraction in sugar production.

Singh said that total export



earnings grew by 9.2 percent totaling US\$592.1 million.

In addition, the bauxite sector recorded an increase of 41.9 percent, earning US\$79.4 million and production in the rice industry expanded by 1.4 percent to 210,395 tons earning US\$84.6 million.

Jamaica

A 27-year-old Jamaican has appeared in court in connection with a highly-publicized case in which nude pictures of hundreds of women were posted on local websites.

Ronald Oates was recently arrested and slapped with several charges under the Cyber Crime Act and the Larceny Act, including unauthorized access, unauthorized obstruction, unlawfully making available data for the commission of an offence and obscene publication. He is also charged with conspiracy to extort, extortion under the Larceny Act.

The crime, which was first brought to the attention of the police last March, is said to involve 25 victims.

Police say the accused would hack into the email accounts of his victims, gaining access to their nude photographs. He would then contact the women threatening to upload the photographs to a local website if he is not paid a certain sum of money, or he would upload the photos and then demand money for them to be removed from the website.

According to the police, he often demanded between J\$10,000 and J\$20,000 from his victims. Police say those targeted were mainly from Kingston and St. Andrew and St. Catherine, but the crime also stretched as far as Manchester. Oates will re-appear in court next month.

Jamaica

Undaunted by the operating woes of Air Jamaica and the recent demise of Barbados-based RedJet, the investors behind Fly Jamaica Airways are pushing ahead with their plans to be fully operational before the start of the tourist high season in December.

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Mateo.

Photo courtesy Apollo Theater.

Groundbreaking Music Series

Apollo Theater's third Café season

The Apollo Theater announced the highly anticipated line-up for the third season of its groundbreaking Apollo Music Café series showcasing creative underground artists in a series of diverse performances across genres, including R&B, hip hop, soul, jazz, pop, funk and rock.

Presented in the Theater's intimate Soundstage, the series continues the Apollo's longstanding commitment to presenting innovative artistic voices. Since its debut, in February 2011, the series has become a favorite destination for music lovers of all kinds – from Harlem tastemakers to tourists to the downtown hipster set. This season Apollo Music Café audiences will experience innovative performances by vocalists, spoken word artists and masterful DJs.

The opening weekend features a three-night event beginning with Tre Williams and the Revelations on Oct. 12, Mateo on Oct. 13 and The New Class featuring Cuz I'm Dope, Play Johnson, Sene, Mike Hurtt, Justine Sky, The Cranberry Show and Rich P with host Amanda Seales, on

Oct. 15. Apollo Music Café will run monthly through June 2013.

"The response to the first season of Apollo Music Café was so overwhelmingly enthusiastic and demonstrated that, as the Harlem community continues to grow, so does the need for diverse artistic offerings in the neighborhood," said Apollo Executive Producer Mikki Shepard. "All of the artists featured in the series are at the top of the underground music scene. Each has a very distinctive style and pushes the envelope to produce a sound that is uniquely their own."

"Music Café takes a creative approach in connecting with the pulse of the underground music scene and is designed to spotlight emerging artists while cultivating unique experiences for audiences."

"Since its inception, the Apollo has been a catalyst for artistic brilliance, acting as a platform for diverse talents to develop their craft and connect with audiences. Music Café is a natural extension of the legendary Apollo Experience," said Apollo President and CEO Jonelle Procope.

Mystery New York landmarks

Architecturally interesting public school buildings

Throughout autumn, the New York Landmarks Conservancy celebrates the beginning of the new academic year and explores New York City's historic public schools. To better appreciate New York City's extraordinarily rich architectural heritage, the Landmarks Conservancy urges New Yorkers and tourists alike to take a walk past these New York City treasures, and visit www.nylandmarks.org for a two minute vacation on your computer, iPad, iPhone or smartboard as a "Tourist in Your Own Town" and guess the "Mystery Landmark," both focused on public schools.

In Brooklyn, walk by Erasmus Hall High School at 899 Flatbush Avenue. Founded in 1786 as a private academy, Erasmus Hall High School became the first secondary school chartered by the State of New York. At the turn of the 20th century, the need for a larger school was met



Erasmus Hall High School.

Photo Courtesy New York Landmarks Conservancy

with an architectural design by Charles B. J. Snyder to build a series of Collegiate Gothic style buildings surrounding the original federal style building to form a quadrangle. Both the Federal and Gothic buildings were landmarked by the City in 1966 and the original building was also listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1975.

With more than 1,700

schools and 1.1 million students, the NYC Department of Education is the nation's largest and one of the oldest school systems. The Conservancy has long championed the preservation of New York's historic schools with a special emphasis on those by the legendary C.B.J. Snyder, Superintendent of School Buildings from 1891 to 1922.

He believed that schools should be "civic monuments

for a better society" and oversaw the construction of more than 350 "Snyder" schools during his tenure, many of which he designed. They offered light, air, beauty and dignity at a time when waves of immigrant children poured into the school system. Today, many of these buildings remain vibrant places of discovery and learning, others have been converted to new uses, and some await restoration.

Through the Landmarks Conservancy's monthly series of "Mystery Landmarks" and "Tourist in Your Own Town" videos at www.nylandmarks.org, visitors to the website will discover many architecturally interesting public school buildings. The Conservancy will create a Facebook album with some historic school photos from its archives. Please feel free to send in favorite school pictures, and they will be posted too.

The Marty & Bruce Show

Boro's biggest stage opens downtown

Vinette K. Pryce

"Brooklyn has arrived as a center of entertainment and sports," Mayor Michael Bloomberg told a VIP crowd at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Barclays Center on Friday. "Today is a great day for Brooklyn," he added.

The No 1 citizen of New York City rode the subway from Manhattan in order to join Borough President Marty Markowitz, NY Nets co-owner Bruce Ratner, New York Police Department Commissioner Ray Kelly, MTA Chairman Joseph J. Lhota, politicians, sponsors, attorneys, civic and social leaders, clergy and myriad international and local media anxious to see the city's newest and most celebrated landmark.

"I am here to celebrate Brooklyn," Bloomberg said.

The mayor could not



resist resorting to a sure-winning line by first asking: "Is Brooklyn in the house?"

The deafening response which followed voiced by formerly-defected, recon-verted, authentic and Brooklyn-born natives proudly boasted the occasion and

the celebrated borough.

Positioned two-tiers from the floor, beneath a digitally repeating message reading: "September is just the Beginning" the mayor heaped accolades on the 840 workers who allegedly reported to the construc-

tion site everyday in order to make the Sept 21 deadline.

He said construction of the structure attributed to reclamation of jobs lost during the recession and contributed to the 200 percent recuperation figure the city has experienced.

Haiti and Jamaica max visas

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United Kingdom (except Northern Ireland) and its dependent territories, and Vietnam. It was also announced that natives of Guatemala are now eligible to enter the program.

The 2014 Diversity Visa Program (DV-2014) opened at noon, Eastern Daylight Time, on Oct. 2 and will close at noon on Nov. 3.

Applicants must submit entries electronically during the registration period using the electronic DV entry form (E-DV) at www.dvlottery.state.gov. Paper entries will not be accepted.

"We strongly encourage applicants not to wait until the last week of the registration period to enter," the State Department cautioned, adding: "Heavy demand may result in Web site delays." It also warned that: "No entries will be accepted after noon, EDT, on Nov. 3, 2012."

The congressionally-mandated Diversity Immigrant Visa Program is administered on an annual basis by the Department of State and conducted under the terms of Section 203(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA).

Section 131 of the Immigration Act of 1990, amended INA 203,

provides for a class of immigrants known as "diversity immigrants."

Section 203(c) of the INA provides a maximum of 55,000 Diversity Visas each fiscal year to be made available to persons from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States, the State Department said.

It said 55,000 immigrant visas are set aside for DV immigrants. However, since DV-1999, the U.S. Congress has reserved 5,000 visas from this annual allocation to be made available for use under the Nicaraguan and Central American Relief Act (NACARA).

"The annual DV program makes visas available to persons meeting the simple, but strict, eligibility requirements," the State Department said. "A computer-generated, random drawing chooses selectees for Diversity Visas," it added.

The visas are distributed among six geographic regions, with a greater number of visas going to regions with lower rates of immigration, and with no visas going to nationals of countries sending more than 50,000 immigrants to the United States over the past five years.

"No single country may receive

more than seven percent of the available Diversity Visas in any one year," the State Department said, adding that it implemented the electronic registration system, beginning with DV-2005, "in order to make the Diversity Visa process more efficient and secure."

"We utilize special technology and other means to identify those who commit fraud for the purposes of illegal immigration or those who submit multiple entries," it said.

For DV-2014, the Department of State said it will once again implement an online process to notify entrants of their selection, and to provide information about the immigrant visa application and interview.

Beginning May 1, 2013, the department said DV-2014 entrants will be able to use their "unique confirmation number" provided at registration to check online through Entry Status Check at <http://www.dvlottery.state.gov> to see if their entry was selected.

It said successful entrants will receive instructions for how to apply for immigrant visas for themselves and their eligible family members. Confirmation of visa interview appointments will also be

Inquiry into Guyana police shooting begins

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Supt. Patrick Todd, the officer in charge of the riot police unit on the ground on July 18, but telephone records to be tendered to the commission in the coming days will show that the normally combative minister did speak to Hicken on his mobile telephone more than a dozen times in the minutes before police opened fire, according to a reliable source.

How Rohee and Hicken will be able to deny direct involvement and responsibility for the killings with tendered records is left to be seen even as Rohee is well aware that he will be called as a key witness before the commission, as his future in the government Cabinet clearly hangs on the outcome of the current deliberations.

In fact, the commissioners have already indicated plans to subpoena the records of Rohee and others directly involved in the shooting while Lindeners were protesting against steep

hikes in electricity rates.

Lawyers for the deceased and the two main opposition parties that had much to do with the protests, say such records are crucial to prove the case of political orders to kill, since Hicken on the stand on Wednesday vehemently denied that the minister had called him directly while he was in command at Linden, 65 miles southwest of the city.

To the chagrin of the courtroom, Hicken, a highly favored senior officer in the eyes of the Donald Ramotar administration, even denied being in charge of the riot units on the ground, saying they were the responsibility of Chief Brummel even though he was the overall boss of all other units on duty that fateful week.

"I did not have any authority to give the riot unit coming from the tactical services unit any orders to shoot," he said to loud grumbling in the hearing room and to gawks from retired officers.

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Tourism campaign hails Spice Isle Olympian

By Vinette K. Pryce

The name Kirani James will not soon be forgotten. Not in his homeland, Grenada.

Nicknamed "the Jaguar" James won the 400 metres race, a distance usually guaranteed by athletes from the USA.

Not only did he win the race but in the process won the first gold medal at an Olympic competition for his country.

Using the 19-year-old's name and habits, the Grenada Board of Tourism recently launched a targeted campaign designed to reinforce the message of the Spice Island brand as a unique selling point of distinction for potential visitors.

Capitalizing on the heightened awareness generated by his Olympic conduct, they developed a short-term, web-based campaign aimed at

turning name recognition into new visitors.

Entitled, "Celebration of Kirani: Celebration of Grenada," the campaign incorporates a specially designed logo featuring the Olympian carrying Grenada's national flag with the tagline, "Grenada: Gracious Every Day."

Already being promoted with an integrated approach at their tourism's website, digital advertisements and social media pages the two-fold campaign is becoming a popular feature. Among the elements included in the campaign are: a "Quote of the Day" initiative utilizing quotes about the athlete from traditional and social media; an island tour of James's Top 10 things to do and see on Grenada; weekly press releases; social media posts; and a video program featuring footage of his Sept. 1-3 homecoming.

"Since Kirani James' gold medal Olympic win and his highly publicized gesture of goodwill toward fellow competitor Oscar Pistorius have elicited such an emotional response from people around



Grenada's Kirani James.
AP Photo/Keystone, Jean-Christophe Bott

the world, we have initiated a campaign to capitalize on the awareness built for Grenada as a result," Dr. George Vincent, minister of Tourism, Civil Aviation and Culture said recently. "When he (James) asked to exchange bibs, his magnanimous and unpretentious spirit became reflective not just of his own personality, but that of all Grenadians as genuine, warm and friendly, thereby increasing the appeal of the island as a desirable vacation choice."

Decline in police killings

Jamaica Police Commissioner Owen Ellington says police killings have declined in recent years but the government and opposition have expressed support for the embattled top cop.

Recently the People's National Party (PNP) Youth Organization called for Ellington to be removed from the post citing a high rate of extra-judicial killings and police excesses.

But in a statement, Ellington said "the records will show that fatal shootings by the police have been on the decline in recent years.

"Indeed, the figures for 2012 show continuing decline, which, if it holds, could see this year ending with the lowest figures in seven years," he said, noting that the figures will for the period 2006-2012 there was an average of 253 fatal shootings annually, with 2010 and 2008 recording the highest and lowest figures respectively, 320, in 2011 and 225 in 2008.

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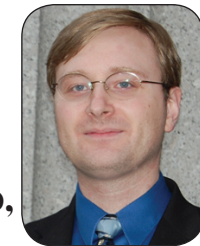
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Trinidad justice minister fired

By Azad Ali

Trinidad and Tobago Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar on Thursday fired Justice Minister Herbert Volney for misleading Cabinet about the opinions of the chief justice and the director of public prosecutions over the early proclamation of the controversial Clause 34 of the Administration of the Justice (Indictable Offences Act, which was recently passed in both houses of Parliament.

The prime minister said that she had met with Volney and he admitted the error.

Speaking to the nation in a live television broadcast, Persad-Bissessar said: “On behalf of my government I express sincere apologies to the people of T&T, the president, the Parliament, the chief justice and director of public prosecutions.”

Stating that Volney had



Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago Kamla Persad-Bissessar. (AP Photo/Shirley Bahadur)

given erroneous advice to Cabinet, she said; “The minister had a duty to faithfully and accurately represent the position and views of the CJ and the DPP and he failed to do and the Cabinet relying in good faith, acted on his assurances.

“His failure to do so is a serious misrepresentation and amounts to material non-disclosure of relevant

facts to the Cabinet from making an informed decision.’

Volney is the third senior minister to be fired in the People’s Partnership 28-months tenure.

Her statement came two days after Opposition Leader Dr. Keith Rowley and other groups staged a march to President’s House demanding and explanation from her and called for the firing of Volney and Attorney General Anand Ramlogan.

The controversial section 34 would have allowed accused people to have their cases thrown out ten years after the commission of the offence, once no trial had begun.

The move created public condemnation when two party financiers Ish Galbaransing and Steve Ferguson became the first to apply to be discharged after it was proclaimed on Aug. 31, 2012.

Improve exports, reduce deficits: IMF

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pledged to assist Caribbean countries to deal with their economies, urging governments to continue focusing on improving exports and reduce external current deficits.

In a communiqué issued recently after a two-day high level forum attended by CARICOM foreign ministers and central bank governors in Port of Spain, Trinidad, the Washington-based financial institution said the region had “important strengths” on which it could

build on.

“Reforms to address structural impediments will also help in that regard although the implementation of such reforms is challenging in the short term, in the long run they could bring undoubted benefits for the economies of the Caribbean and help create jobs.

“Political stability, strong investor protection and observance of the rule of law have made it an attractive destination for investment,” the communiqué noted.

The IMF said that countries with high debt ratios will benefit from pursuing fiscal adjustment in the contest of weak growth can be difficult to sustain, the cost of pursuing unbalanced policies can be more disruptive economically and socially than gradual and credible adjustments.

According to the IMF, there has been an increase in financial-interconnectedness in the region and this is an issue which presents large benefits but also carries risks.

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Cuban sugar looks to rebound after bitter decline

JARONU, Cuba (AP) — Cuba's signature industry is showing signs of life two years after the worst harvest in more than a century.

Hulking processing plants are coming back online and production is rising, a boon to rural towns like Jaronu where producing sugar has been a way of life for generations.

Officials recently said that the harvest is expected to increase by 20 percent in the coming season after jumps of 7 percent and 16 percent in the last two harvests.

At the Brasil refinery in the steamy central province of Camaguey, a \$6 million makeover is under way. During a recent visit, bulldozers were busy re-grading the floor, operators were laying foundations for new machinery and workers buzzed about, hammering and welding amid a deafening mechanic roar and a pervasive oily odor.

"I've never seen as much money being spent here as there is now," said Alodia Campo, a 54-year-old plant engineer and among the few employees still remaining from the Brasil's glory days.



In this Sept. 8, 2012 photo, workers irrigate a sugar cane field in Jaronu, Cuba. AP Photo/Franklin Reyes

With world market prices rebounding, sugar is suddenly more profitable, and a radical reorganization of the sector could offer a blueprint for how to lift the rest of the island's inefficient command economy.

"The Cuban sugar industry is tied to the culture, history and identity of this country," said Liobel Perez, spokesman for Azcuba, the largely autonomous state-run company that replaced the Sugar Ministry in late 2011. "Sugarcane will not define Cuba's future, but it will have to be a part of it."

Just two years ago, the sugar industry was on its knees.

The sugar minister had been sacked. State-run newspapers lambasted rampant inefficiency and thousands of workers were moved to other sectors. Eventually, the powerful Sugar Ministry itself was eliminated.

Even with the current reorganization, sugar revenues are far outpaced by sectors such as tourism and nickel mining.

Last year, sugar earnings were \$333 million, while nickel brought in \$1.25 billion,

according to a study compiled by Rafael Romeu, a U.S.-based economist and former president of the Association for the Study of the Cuban Economy. Tourism brought in \$2.5 billion in revenue in 2011, according to government figures.

President Raul Castro created Azcuba as part of his effort to stimulate the farm sector and streamline a fossilized Marxist economy that even he says doesn't work anymore.

Unlike virtually every other part of the state-dominated economy, Azcuba gets to keep 65 percent of its revenues and make decisions about reinvesting without having to ask permission from the central government.

At the Brasil refinery, the mammoth rust-covered sheds installed by American Sugar Refining Co., which launched the plant in 1921, still stand. Although surrounded by the twisted carcasses of machinery ripped out of the structures, the Brasil is expected to be ready for the upcoming annual harvest and start milling cane by February.

UN marks Jamaica's 50-year membership

By Vinette K. Pryce

A flag raising ceremony, to mark Jamaica's 50th anniversary as a member of the United Nations (UN) was held Tuesday at the auspicious site of the headquarters of the world governing body.

On a rainy Sept. 18, the event was attended by the president of the General Assembly, political officials of Jamaican heritage, and diplomats including those of countries that co-sponsored the G A resolution providing for Jamaica's admission half a century ago.

Jamaica became a member of the world body of nations on Sept. 18, 1962.

Fourteen countries co-sponsored General Assembly resolution 1750 (XVII) entitled: 'Admission of Jamaica to membership of the UN.'

They are Australia, Canada, Ceylon (Demo-

cratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka), Cyprus, Ethiopia, Malaya (Malaysia), Ghana, India, New Zealand, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, Tanganyika (United Republic of Tanzania), and the United Kingdom.

In reflecting on Jamaica's 50 years of membership, the country's ambassador to the UN, Raymond O. Wolfe, noted that along with other members of the global community, Jamaica seeks to bring renewed attention to the most pressing challenges facing the world today, including the impact of the global financial crisis, climate change, human rights, and sustainable development.

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Zimbabwe boasts five world heritage sites: Victoria Falls, Mana Pools, Great Zimbabwe, Matobo Hills and Khame Ruins; along with 10 national parks, eleven recreational parks, four botanic gardens and four major safari areas including Tuli Parks and Wildlife Land which form the core of the Limpopo-Shashe Transfrontier Conservation Area.

For the tourist, Zimbabwe offers a well developed infrastructure with good roads and lots of police check points leading to most tourist destinations; making it easy and pleasurable to drive through the length and breadth of the country, taking in Bulawayo, Msvingo, Harare, the capital and the eastern highlands, where the slowly vanishing and historically important Kalahari bushman can be found.

I flew Arik Air to Nigeria, connecting to South African airlines to Johannesburg and then through to Victoria Falls. Arik is the airline flying out of JFK to West Africa. Trust me: You've never flown in such luxury, with full fold-out massaging seats, beds, over-the-top dining selections

and an attentive cabin staff. The mist and smoke of Victoria Falls "Mosi Oa Tunya or the smoke that thunders; was in full view as my plane dipped, and gently banked, landing at the Victoria Falls International Airport,

After a short ride by coach, I checked into the well-appointed Elephant Hills Resort hotel where my requested room with a view of the Falls and the Zambezi river was waiting. The hotel is literally located within a National Park and you won't be surprised to see baboons, wart hogs and elephants roaming the gold course early in the dawn light.

Remember while packing to include a pair of black dress shoes (boys size 3) for the amiable and gregarious hotel greeter, Leon, who is quite short in stature but is clearly the finest hotel employee I've ever met with the biggest heart of gold.

After check-in, I immediately took off via a five-minute taxi ride to the foot of the Zambezi Bridge. I showed my passport to the immigration office, secured a visa and set out on foot to cross the bridge, see Vic Falls up close and cross into Zambia. It's a dizzying and breathtaking experience at the half-way point on the bridge between two countries to feel the power and yes, the mist of Victoria Falls; a true wonder of the world.

One Love,
Joe Placide

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Easier access to health care

Because of a new health care law which took effect on Sept. 23, millions of Americans will have access to standardized, easy-to-understand information about health plan benefits and coverage. Insurance companies and employers are now required to provide consumers in the private health insurance market with a brief summary of what a health insurance policy or employer plan covers, called a Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC). Additionally, consumers will have access to a Uniform Glossary that defines insurance and medical terms in standard, consumer-friendly terms.

These tools will also assist employers in finding the best coverage for their business and employees.

"Thanks to the health care law, Americans will now get clear, consistent and comparable information when shopping for health coverage," said Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. "These new tools empower consumers to make informed decisions about their health coverage options and to choose the plan that is best for them, their families, and their

business."

The SBC includes a new comparison tool, called Coverage Examples, which is modeled on the Nutrition Facts label required for packaged food, that helps consumers compare coverage options by showing a standardized sample of what each health plan will cover for two common medical situations—having a baby and managing type 2 diabetes.

The SBC will include information about the covered health benefits, out-of-pocket costs, and the network of providers. The glossary defines terms commonly used in the health insurance market, such as "deductible" and "co-pay," using clear language.

Before Sept. 23, people often lacked uniform and comparable information when shopping for coverage, often relying only on marketing materials to make decisions. Starting this fall, consumers will receive the SBC free of charge and in writing from the consumers' insurance company or employer. This information can be requested at any time, but it will also be made available when shopping for, enrolling in or renewing coverage. It will also be provided whenever information in

the SBC changes significantly.

The SBC is now available for consumers in the individual health insurance market. For enrollees in group health plans enrolling during an open enrollment period, it will be available during the next open enrollment period that started on Sept. 23, 2012. For enrollees who enroll outside of an open enrollment period, it will be available at the start of the next plan year that began on or after Sept. 23, 2012.

The SBC and Glossary were developed in collaboration with the Department of Labor, Department of Treasury, consumer groups, the insurance industry, State Insurance Commissioners, and other stakeholders.

For more information the SBC announcement, please visit: <http://www.healthcare.gov/law/features/rights/sbc/index.html>

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Open Letter to The Mayor

-- Allegations of NYCHA impropriety

I am concerned about the allegations of impropriety that have been made regarding the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) over past few months. These allegations, combined with a call for a City Council investigation into the matter, have shed light on the need for major improvements and reform at NYCHA. My office has had a good

working relationship with NYCHA, and I feel that our offices can work to find solutions for the future of this important agency, instead of trying to place blame.

As you reevaluate the organizational structure of NYCHA, I request that the borough president of each county be permitted to appoint a volunteer member to NYCHA's Board of Directors. As

you know, the offices of the borough presidents have a special insight to the pulse of our public housing developments, and are actively engaged in the issues that face these developments on a daily basis. Thanks to the work of our constituent services staff and our capital allocations, we have collectively been able to serve as a frontline option for NYCHA

residents in resolving critical deficiencies.

Please allow us to bring this knowledge and expertise to assist you in maintaining NYCHA as the nation's premier housing authority. (I look forward to hearing from you on this critical matter.

Ruben Diaz, Jr.
Bronx Borough
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In Trinidad, rapid depletion of people's goodwill

The government of Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar of Trinidad and Tobago has lurched from one disaster, one scandal, one embarrassment to the next with an all-in-a-day's-work regularity that surely must give pause even to seasoned observers of state-sponsored misadventure. Approaching the midpoint of her term, the evidence has mounted rapidly that precious little remains, if any at all, of the reserves of goodwill Bissessar rode to a comfortable electoral plurality in May, 2010. Those expectations among the citizenry of brand-new possibilities for the country, with the historic election of its first female prime minister heading a coalition government, seem now a wispy indulgence, well more than two and a half years distant.

Bissessar's administration is, at the moment, battling head winds from an episode that will no doubt soon elicit from her, if it hasn't already, the "Let's move on" salve she readily applies whenever there's been this big-screen projection of misconduct. There are some signs of greater resistance this time to the "move on" line. This latest infamy – in which a section of a criminal justice bill passed by the parliament

Viewpoint

By Les Slater

was surreptitiously extricated and presented to the country's president for early proclamation -- appears to have touched some raw nerves beyond the usual talk radio diatribes, press sniping and blowback from political adversaries. For one thing, a huge crowd heeded the call of Opposition Leader Keith Rowley to hit the streets in protest against this wanton abuse of power and to demand the ouster of the two cabinet members seen as hands-on orchestrators of the perfidious action, the attorney general and the minister of justice.

Unshakably of a piece with the early-proclamation gambit is the appearance of dirty dealing arising from the potential benefit it held for two financiers of the ruling party, who have for years been under indictment for fraud in the construction of the Piarco Airport terminal. Because they are wanted for related offences in the U.S. as well and a judge in Trinidad some

time ago blocked their extradition, the plot surrounding the nimble pair has grown ever thicker, including this latest governmental sleight of hand with the legislation which, some contend, provided a loophole for the two men to walk free.

Keeping an uncanny silence for a good while after these shenanigans became a cause célèbre, the prime minister finally announced recently that the justice minister had been dismissed, she having concluded that he was solely responsible for leading the government onto the prickly ground it now occupied. If some, perhaps allies of or favorably disposed to Bissessar, found this appeasement attempt acceptable, it's clear that many do not.

Getting rid of a guy who ought never to have been in anybody's cabinet in the first place is small comfort to a public enraged by not only the "in your face" diss from the government in the instant matter, but an accumulation of them. This latest volley, though, may have "last straw" potential. The "loose cannon" handle frequently affixed in press reports to Herbert Volney, the fired justice minister who is the one sacrificial lamb so far, is, if anything, somewhat charitable. Volney was a

sitting high court judge with a history that included some eyebrow-raising rulings and many a preposterous popping off, who abruptly quit the bench to become, almost instantaneously, a candidate for political office in Bissessar's party. Bissessar, in claiming the cabinet was duped by a fellow as beset by issues as Volney seems to be, apparently doesn't much care how this comments on the crew she leads. A more likely reaction in the public square to the prime minister's Volney maneuver is that offering him up was the least onerous path to containing the hubbub.

Volney, like a few others who have been cut loose from the cabinet, was expendable. Others, much less so. There are those who are dead certain, for example, that Jack Warner, even with all the international notoriety that attaches to his name, is securely of "untouchable" ranking. Who would dare doubt? That Warner would be installed as the country's minister of national security is probably the biggest affront yet to the governed by the folks now bearing the responsibility of governance.

Most concerning is that the continuing eruptions of highhanded, devil-may-care action of one kind

or another seem to have produced no awareness whatsoever of such a behavioral arc being noxious, to be altogether avoided. Ideally, Bissessar's "move on" intonation would suggest plowing arduously forward, experience having delivered the tools for more skillful navigation ahead. Instead we have here a saga of the repetitive strut, where enjoying authority status and the rule of law are polar opposites, where preening and posturing under the rubric of power is the stylebook's foremost performance dictum and where how all of this looks from the other side doesn't count for squat.

So there's been a junior unqualified officer brazenly positioned to assume a top intelligence post; there's been the odious presence of Warner; there's been a channeling of calypsonian Mighty Spoiler's "Magistrate Try Himself" classic, this time Bissessar arranging for themselves "bigging-up" themselves in the award of the celebrated silk (senior counsel status) for herself and her attorney general...a litany of other abhorrent stuff. Given all of which, no one should expect this sneaky early-proclamation ruse, dastardly though it be, to rise even to bump-in-the-road level for these players.

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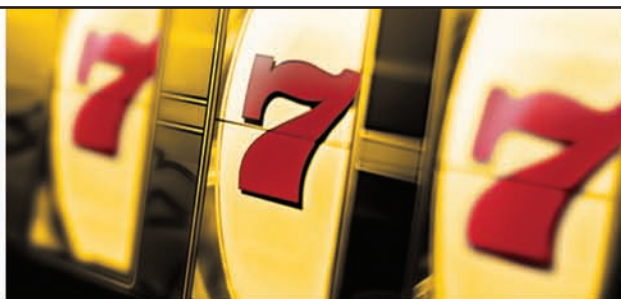
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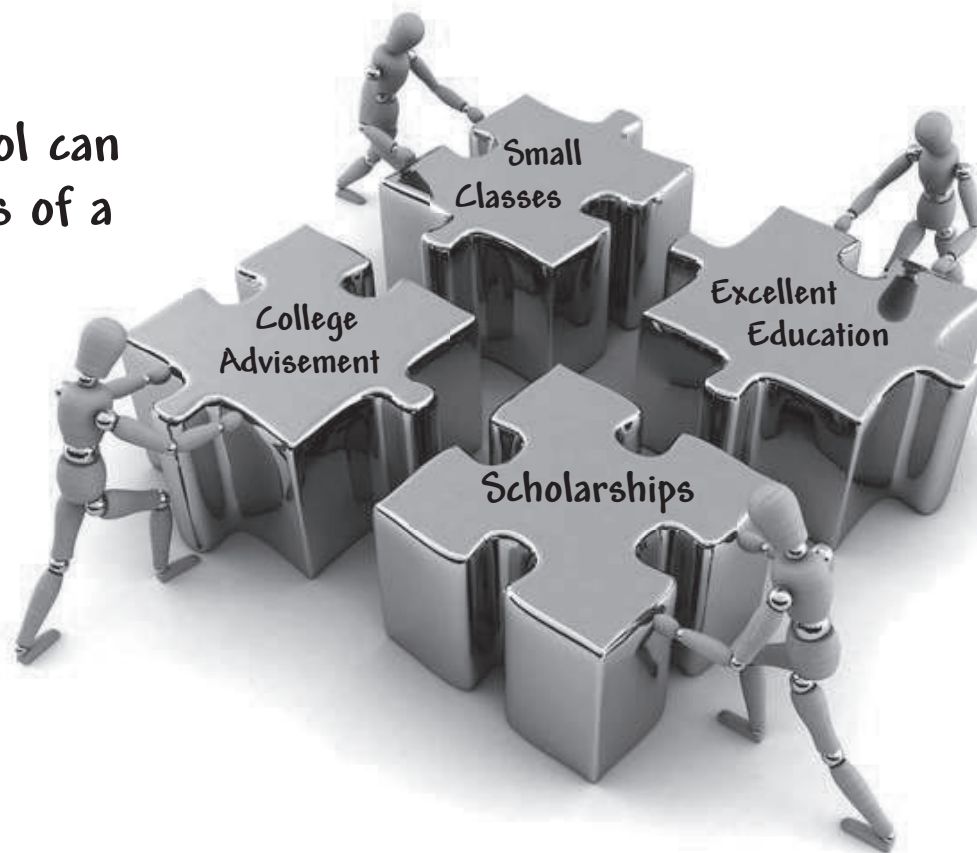
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He said this is the first time that an airline in Jamaica has had to go through the full certification process.

He said Fly Jamaica Airways would likely start with a three-on-three flight schedule to each destination, with one-day downtime for maintenance.

Fly Jamaica was set to begin operations in August but Tai said with the remaining processes it would likely take another month before the airline officially takes to the skies.

Trinidad

The United States is still seeking to extradite two Trinidad and Tobago businessmen, Ishwar Galbaransingh and Steve Ferguson to the United States to face charges of fraud and money laundering.

The U.S. Embassy Public Affairs Department in Port of Spain issued a statement saying "The United States continues to seek their extradition despite the ruling last year by the Trinidad and Tobago High Court. They remain under indictment in the United States."

The statement followed legal action taken by the two businessmen to have their cases dismissed from the courts under the contentious Section 34 of the Administra-

tion of Justice (Indictable Proceedings Act 2011), which was proclaimed by President Max Richards on August 30, 2012.

Following an outcry over the proclamation by the opposition People's National Movement (PNM) and other sectors of the society, the Kamla Persad-Bissessar administration was forced to hurriedly summon parliament to repeal the Act last week.

The US said it was concerned that the fraud cases would be dropped.

The two were indicted in 2005 in a Miami Federal Court on numerous fraud and money-laundering charges stemming from alleged bid-rigging between 1996 and 2005 on contracts for the TT\$1.6 billion Piarco International Airport project.

The High Court had ruled that Galbaransingh and Ferguson could be tried in Trinidad and Tobago for the offences and quashed the extradition warrants for the two men. Attorney General Anand Ramlogan did not appeal the ruling, promising that both accused would face a "speedier trial in T&T."

Had the section 34 of the Act not repealed Galbaransingh and Ferguson would have had their cases dismissed since they had fell under the 10-year time limit stipulated for cases to be dismissed under the section.

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But whether the discomfort stems from a day at work, strenuous exercise or housework, pain has its price -- from feeling tired and low on energy, to contributing to feelings of stress, depression and frustration.

Before discomfort gets the better of you, reduce your risk for pain and relieve the aches you already have with these simple measures:

- **Avoid overexertion:** Don't save all your heavy-duty chores for one weekend, especially if you're not regularly active. "If you suddenly spend the whole day cleaning out your basement, or climbing ladders to clear gutters, muscle strain or overexertion is highly likely," says family physician Elena Klimenko, M.D. "You have to let muscles build up gradually."

The same goes for working out.

HEALTH



Don't let everyday household chores be painful. Treat aches right away.

Consult a physician or fitness professional to build an exercise routine safely.

- **Relax:** Hot baths, gentle stretching and meditation can help prevent and relieve stress-related muscle tension and stiffness. Even if it means putting the kids to bed early or turning your phone off for an hour, incorporate stress-free down time into your busy day, every day.

- **Relieve:** Next time you experience pain, avoid popping conventional painkillers that masks symptoms. "A homeopathic medicine works with your body to relieve not only pain, but also swelling, which is a common reason for pain," says Dr. Klimenko. "It does so without the risk of drug interactions or complications, even if combined with pharmaceuticals."

For example, Dr. Klimenko recommends Arnicare Gel from Boiron, an over-the-counter gel that can be applied anywhere on the body to reduce muscle pain and stiffness, swelling from injuries, and bruises. Because it relies on a natural active ingredient, you can safely use it as a first line therapy to relieve pain. More information can be found at www.Arnicare.com.

- **Maintain a healthy weight:** Excess weight puts undue stress on joints. Try a diet that promotes joint and tissue health. Eat foods high in Omega-3 fatty acids like salmon. Add flaxseeds to salads or try cooking with mustard seed, ginger, turmeric or cayenne pepper, all of which have anti-inflammatory properties.

Babies in N.Y. aren't screened for heart defects

Small hearts can sometimes conceal big challenges, especially when it comes to congenital heart defects. The arrival of a new baby to a family is usually a time of anticipation and excitement. However, some babies come into the world with congenital heart defects.

"We could potentially save these tiny lives by screening newborns for heart defects before being discharged from the hospital," said Merle Myerson, M.D., American Heart Association New York City Board of Directors.

The simple, low-cost test, pulse oximetry, or pulse ox, consists of sensors placed on a baby's hand and foot to check low blood oxygen levels - a significant indicator of heart issues in babies. With congenital heart defects considered to be the leading cause of birth-defect related deaths in the U.S., new research suggests wider use of pulse ox screening could help identify more than 90 percent of heart defects. Congenital heart disease causes up to three percent of all infant deaths in the first year of life.

In September 2011, U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius suggested that critical congenital heart defects screening be added to the "Recommended Uniform Screening Panel" for newborns before they are released from a hospital or birthing facility.

Pulse ox screenings are strongly supported by the American Heart Association as this non-invasive test detects life-threatening congenital heart defects, which otherwise go undetected by current screening methods.

New Hampshire, New Jersey, Maryland and Indiana have all recently passed laws requiring newborns to have this simple screening prior to being discharged from the hospital. The American Heart Association believes that with legislation, the same can be done in New York.

"One life lost is one too many especially when we have simple proven methods to detect for potentially fatal conditions," said Myerson.

Courtesy of American Heart Association

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Pursuant to provisions of Section 25(b)(1) of the Charter of the City of New York, notice is hereby given that a **special election will be held in the Borough of the Bronx, County of Bronx, on Tuesday, November 6, 2012, between the hours of 6:00 AM and 9:00 PM** for the purpose of electing a candidate for the 12th Councilmanic District. Only registered voters in this district are eligible to vote.

For any information on whether you are eligible to vote or where your poll site is located, please call (212) V-0-T-E-N-Y-C. TDD for the hearing-impaired is (212) 487-5496.

The City Clerk of the City of New York

NOTICE OF DISTRICTING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARINGS FROM OCTOBER 2, 2012 TO OCTOBER 11, 2012

The NYC Districting Commission will hold five public hearings from October 2, 2012 to October 11, 2012. These hearings are open to the public. Individuals wishing to pre-register for speaking time or to submit written testimony in advance may do so by signing up online at <http://www.nyc.gov/districting>. Individuals wishing to speak at any hearing will be provided up to three minutes of speaking time.

BRONX Tuesday, October 2 nd 5:30PM – 9:00PM	Bronx Community College 2155 University Avenue Bronx, NY 10453
MANHATTAN Thursday, October 4 th 5:30PM – 9:00PM	Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture 515 Malcolm X Boulevard New York, NY 10037
STATEN ISLAND Tuesday, October 9 th 5:30PM – 9:00PM	New Dorp High School 465 New Dorp Lane Staten Island, NY 10306
QUEENS Wednesday, October 10 th 5:30PM – 9:00PM	LaGuardia Community College Little Theater 31-10 Thomson Avenue Long Island City, NY 11101
BROOKLYN Thursday, October 11 th 5:30PM – 9:00PM	Medgar Evers College Founders' Auditorium 1650 Bedford Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11225

Prior to the hearings, you may submit written comments to the NYC Districting Commission by mail to: NYC Districting Commission, Attn: Jonathan Ettricks, 253 Broadway, 7th Fl., NY, NY 10007, or by email to: hearings@districting.nyc.gov on or before 5:00 P.M. on the date of the hearing. Please indicate in your correspondence the date of the hearing for which you are submitting your comments.

NOTE: The hearing locations are accessible to those with physical disabilities. Individuals requesting an interpreter for sign language or any other language at any hearing should contact the NYC Districting Commission at hearings@districting.nyc.gov or by calling 212-442-0256 five days in advance of the hearing, and reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate such requests.



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Trade Brooklyn energizes business – Oct. 16

Cardinal Trade Group, Inc. (CTG), a New York regional Business-to-Business trade shows and event management company, will host Trade Brooklyn on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Stage 6 in Steiner Studios, in Brooklyn. The business-to-business trade show provides opportunities for business owners and professionals to network, market and promote their products and services to the local community. A 1010 WINS TD Bank five Borough Business Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. will feature a Trade Brooklyn Panel of successful entrepreneurs. The panel moderator will be Juliet Papa of 1010 WINS and panelists include Robert Walsh, NYC commissioner, Department of Small Business Services; Alan Rosen, owner, Junior's; Steve Hindy, president, Brooklyn Brewery; Maryann Gilmarten, executive VP of Commercial and Residential Development, Forest City Commissioner. The discussion will focus on how government, business and community have come together to create this success story.

The October event will be CTG's fifth Trade Brooklyn featuring more than 100 businesses and organizations from Brooklyn and the



Robert Walsh, NYC commissioner, Department of Small Business Services.
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greater metropolitan area. The show attracts over 1,200 attendees from Brooklyn and the greater New York region. Brooklyn business owners and professionals will connect with prospects, vendors and referral sources from every business sector. Throughout the day a series of seminars with leading small-business speakers will discuss solutions and strategies for business growth and success.

Trade Brooklyn Seminars Topics:

- "Selling to Why: Brain-Based Selling," presented by Sandler Sales Training
 - "Entrepreneurial Equation: Financial Solutions for Business Owners," presented by Edward Jones
 - "The Brooklyn Tech Era," presented by the Brooklyn Tech Meetup
 - "How to Lead Your Business to Success," presented by Vistage
 - "Social Media Marketing – Developing a Digital Strategy to Make Sense of New Media"
 - "Hyperlocal – How to Drive Business to your Front Door," presented by MRL Social Media Inc.
 - "The Power of Email Marketing," presented by Constant Contact Certified Trainer
- "Business growth is essen-

tial for our economy and for our communities. Trade Brooklyn is a catalyst for business activity in the local area and region as a whole. Businesses that exhibit at our shows demonstrate their ideas, product and services to prospects. Attendees learn about the latest products and services that can assist their businesses be more competitive, profitable and efficient," said Jonathan Levin, founder of Trade Brooklyn.

Trade Brooklyn Trade show is free to attend with pre-registration. Tickets for the 1010 WINS TD Bank five Borough Business Breakfast are \$25. To purchase tickets and to register, go to brooklyntradeshow.com. For more information about exhibiting, call (347) 464-0777 or e-mail info@cardinaltradegroup.com.

Cardinal Trade Group events help businesses promote their products and services to the business community, meet new clients and network with key decision makers. Trade Brooklyn and Cardinal Trade Groups other shows help to generate millions of dollars in local economic activity. For more information about the company's industry leading shows visit www.cardinaltradegroup.com, call (347) 464-0777 or e-mail info@cardinaltradegroup.com.

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Small Business Energy | SmallBusinessEnergy.com

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smallbiz.nypl.org

Small Business Services - Empire State Development New York

www.esd.ny.gov/smallbusiness.html

Small Business - Business First - New York State

www.nyfirst.ny.gov/ResourceCenter/SmallBizMenu.html

2012 New York, NY Small Business Resource

www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/files/resourceguide_3135.pdf

Business Resources: Internet Bibliographies: New York State Library

www.nysl.nysed.gov/reference/busref.htm
Selected business-related web sites compiled by staff at the New York State Library for use in response to reference questions.

Start a Business in New York – Resources for New York Small Businesses

manhattan.about.com/od/careersjobs/a/nysmallbusiness.htm
Find resources and advice on starting a

business in New York City. Get information on New York business licenses and incorporation, free NYC resources for starting a business.

Your Money New York - Help and Resources for Small Businesses

www.yourmoneyny.com/helpresource/smallbusiness/index.php
This section of Your Money New York is designed to help small business owners – and New Yorkers interested in starting a small business.

Small Business Resources - The Business Council of New York

www.bcny.org/inside/smallbusiness.htm
Capital Business Blog - Read about the issues. Visit www.nyfirst.ny.gov to learn what New York State can do for businesses.

Resources for Businesses in New York City - bfindapc.com

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If you operate a business in New York City, you are especially fortunate. The city has pulled together a wealth of resources for small business owners.

Small Business Resource Guide - New York - HUD

www.hud.gov/offices/osdbu/resource/guide/local/newyork.cfm
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Here is proof that snoring can be corrupting your health and your marriage. Three out of 10 couples are considering divorce because of snoring says a major magazine article. You are not alone! An official survey says 48% of all people snore. 75% are affected, if you add non-snoring husbands that have snoring wives or vice versa. Snoring is caused by slack muscles in the throat. A common complaint is that people feel that they are not well rested in the morning. Many people wrote they are now sleeping like a babies. Their partners are delighted. This natural health product Sound Sleep #23 usually helps the first night. No side effects.

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How women around the world stay healthy

North American women may want to take health advice from women in other areas of the world. As it turns out, international women may have the secrets to living longer and avoiding medical conditions that seem to plague women in the United States and Canada.

Here's how women across the globe are living longer, healthier lives.

- Practice portion control. Although you've probably heard it before, reducing the amount that you eat can have its benefits, including weight loss. Many people remark how the French dine on cheese and butter and still manage to stay skinny.

That is because they are eating in moderation, not making an entire meal out of two pounds of cheese. Smaller portions and maintaining an active lifestyle are two ways that many French women stay slim and healthy.

- Go heart-healthy. The "Mediterranean Diet" has been touted in recent years. Women in Italy and Greece

set a good example by serving foods that are rich in heart-healthy antioxidants and good fats. Nuts, whole grains, fish, and olives are hearty and heart-healthy foods. Mediterranean cultures also use wine to improve heart health, help prevent cancer, and slow the progression of neurological diseases, like Parkinson's



Eating foods that are often found in Mediterranean diets, such as fish, is one way to improve health. unknown

and Alzheimer's. Studies have also shown that moderate amounts of alcohol can raise your good cholesterol and thin your blood.

- Stay active in your community. Japanese culture emphasizes family connections and maintaining an extensive support system. The Japanese stay active into older adulthood, which could be why the island region of Okinawa is known for hav-

ing the highest concentration of centenarians in the world. According to research, Okinawans, when compared to Americans, have an 80 percent lower rate of many cancers, including ovarian and breast cancer.

- Eat locally: Northern Europeans tend to eat farm-to-table, which means consuming things that they or their neighbors have grown and raised.

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Young patients at Brooklyn Hospital Center receive art supplies

ArtWorks, The Naomi Cohain Foundation, recently hand-delivered a limited edition art cart filled with supplies to the young patients in the Brooklyn Hospital Center's cardiology unit, many of whom are suffering from chronic or life-threatening illnesses. The goal of Surprise! Supplies is for these children, and their siblings who accompany them, to have their own kit of crafts to keep them busy while anticipating a long day in treatment, enduring an extensive stay in the hospital, or accompanying a sibling to a procedure.



Dariuss Mitchell shows off supplies from ArtWorks2 Surprise! Supplies program.

The donations were the brainchild of Dennis Bartling, the hospital's director of engineering, and The Brooklyn Hospital Foundation. It is sponsored in memory of Bartling's son, Christopher Paul Bartling, by the

Christopher P. Bartling Fund and The Brooklyn Hospital Foundation.

"We are delighted to extend our partnership with the Naomi Cohain Foundation," said Kristen Riccardelli, the hospital's child-life specialist.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

AMATEUR NIGHT AUDITIONS: The Apollo Theater, 253 W 125 St., Harlem, N.Y., will be holding auditions for its 2013 Amateur Night season, for adults and children for singers, dancers, musicians, actors, spoken word poets and comedians, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. For information and further details on live audition guidelines, visit www.apollotheater.org or call (212) 531-5300. Please note: For live auditions judges will only see the first 300 acts, so please arrive early.

JAMAICAN FILM FEST: The Brooklyn Library presents Jamaican Mini Film Fest: Marley, the definitive life story of Robert Nesta Marley - musician, revolutionary and legend - from his early days to his rise to international superstardom, 3:00 p.m. at the Dweck Center for the Contemporary Culture, Central Library, 10 Grand Army Plaza, Prospect Heights, Brooklyn. For information, call (718) 230-2100.

MONROE MILE: Monroe College presents the inaugural Monroe Mile, a run/walk celebrating the college's 2012 Homecoming and is open to all friends, family and members of the community, and to advanced, intermediate, and amateur runners as well as children, starting at Allison Hall, 368 Main St., New Rochelle at 9:30 a.m. All proceeds from the \$10 suggested registration fee will benefit the Boys and Girls Club. Register online at active.com, visit www.monroecollegemustangs.com or on the morning of the race at the Monroe courtyard, 434 Main St. beginning at 8:30 a.m. T-shirts will be given to the first 300 participants to check in.

DOG/CAT VACCINATION CLINIC: Petland Discounts and Luv My Pet are offering low cost dog and cat vaccinations in Queens on 9/29 at 134-40 Springfield Blvd., Pathmark Center, Springfield Gardens, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.; at 171-33 Hillside Ave., between 171 and 172, Jamaica, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and on 9/30 at 71-39 Kissena Blvd., between Aguilar and 70, Kew Garden Hills, 4:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. For information, call Amy Eisenberg at (631) 273-6363.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

NYC WALK4HEARING: The Hearing Loss Assn. of America's Manhattan Chapter is organizing the fifth annual NYC Walk4Hearing with proceeds supporting HLAA's mission to educate, provide support services, and advocate for people with hearing loss, in Riverside Park, starting at West 97 St. and Riverside Drive and following a 5k (3.1 mile) route. Walk festivities include New York Cheerleaders, children's entertainment, snacks, giveaways, free hearing screening, prizes and more. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. and walk starts at 10:00 a.m. For more information and to pre-register, visit www.walk4hearing.org. Walk teams and individual walkers from the Metro area are welcome. Same-day registration is also available.



FINANCIAL COACHING: The NHS of East Flatbush is offering The Financial Capabilities and Coaching Program focusing on helping you reach your goals such as paying off bills, saving for a home, improving credit scores and more. For more information, call (718) 469-4679.



FOOD STAMP OUTREACH: Find out if you are eligible to receive Food Stamp benefits! A representative from the NYC Human Resources Administration will be available to assist you with eligibility pre-screening and to answer any questions every Tuesday and Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Community Board 12, 4101 White Plains Road at 229 St., Bronx. For more information, call (718) 881-4455.

TAI CHI: Stop. Breath. Relax. Join Tai Chi Easy, a wellness practice combining Tai-chi, Qigong, meditation and Chinese healing, taught by Daniel Weicher, certified teacher in Integral Qigong and Tai Chi, every Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. at the Moore Street Market, 110 Moore St., entrance on Humbolt St., Brooklyn. Donations are appreciated. Call (914) 673-6016 for information.



Minister of SVG, Dr. Ralph E. Gonsalves, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Kingdom Life Ministries Int'l., 770 Park Place, between Nostrand and Rogers avenues, Brooklyn. Breakfast and lunch will be on sale for all participants. For information, call (718) 344-7920 or (212) 687-4776

ONGOING

MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY: Vy Higginsen's Mama Foundation for the Arts presents back-to-back musical matinees every Saturday featuring Sing, Harlem, Sing! at 1:00 p.m. and Mama, I Want To Sing: The Next Generation at 4:30 p.m. at The Dempsey Theater, 127 West 12th St., between Lenox and Seventh avenues., Harlem. Tickets are available for both shows through SmartTix.com (212-868-4444) or by calling the Mama Foundation at (212) 280-1045.

AQUATICS PROGRAM: BronxWorks Community Center, 1130 Grand Concourse, Bronx, has announced its Fall '12 aquatics program running from now thru Nov. 16 featuring swimming instruction for all ages and levels, a clinic to help experienced swimmers to sharpen their skills and aqua aerobics, an exercise class open to teens and adults, including non-swimmers. For applications to participate in classes and more information, contact Eileen Towe at (718) 508-3071.

FARMERS MARKET: The Hattie Carthan "After Church" Farmers Market featuring locally grown fresh fruits, veggies, herbs and eggs and offering sessions on growing food and herbs and how to prepare healthy food is open every Sunday, 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. until November at 49 Van Buren St. off Tompkins Ave., Brooklyn. WIC/Senior FMNP Checks, EBT, Health Bucks and cash are accepted. For information, call (718) 638-3566 or email hatthecarhangarden@yahoo.com.

QUEENS SICKLE CELL: The Queens Sickle Cell Advocacy Network, 207-08 Hollis Ave., Queens Village, N.Y., presents a Parent to Parent Support Group meeting every first Monday of every month, 7:00 p.m. For directions and registration, call (718) 712-0873 or email Qscanorg@verizon.net.

FAIRWAY MARKET SHUTTLE: Fairway Market is now offering a free group shuttle bus to its Red Hook, Brooklyn store at 480-500 Van Brunt St., Mondays thru Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. For pick-up reservations for groups of 10 or more, within a five-mile radius of the store, call Viola Williams or Marcy Rosenblum at (347) 750-1251. There will also be pickups on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. at 589 Prospect Ave., between 11 and 10 avenues. All seniors get a five percent discount in the store. Each group will have an hour and a half to shop and/or enjoy a bite to eat in the picturesque cafe by the waterfront.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2

JAMAICAN MINI FILM FEST: The Brooklyn Public Library presents a Jamaican Mini Film Fest for adults featuring "The Harder They Come" starring Jimmy Cliff as Ivan, an aspiring musician who finds greater fame as an outlaw, 6:30 p.m. at the Central Library Dweck Center, 10 Grand Army Plaza, Prospect Heights. For information, call (718) 230-2100.

FREE LEGAL CLINICS: The DREAMer's Deferred Action Free Legal Clinic hosted by the City Bar Justice Center will give dreamers a chance to receive free legal consultation and assistance in filling out USCIS Form I-821D, Consideration of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and work permit, Tues., Oct. 2, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Thurs., Nov. 1, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at NYC Bar Association, 42 West 44 St., N.Y. Register now, space limited, first come first served. To RSVP, contact info@thenyc.org, email info@bcql.org or call Immigration Hotline at (718) 280-1477/1488.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6

REGGAE, CALYPSO, FOLK MUSIC: The Brooklyn Public Library presents Reggae!

Calypso! Folk Music! for kids and families featuring West Indian and American music through song and dance in an interactive performance with versatile entertainer Conroy Warren, 1:00 p.m. at the Central Library Dweck Center, 10 Grand Army Plaza, Prospect Heights. For information, call (718) 230-2100.

HEALTH SCREENINGS: Montefiore Einstein Center for Cancer Care is offering medical screenings and information for women at this special health event including breast exams, pap smears for women 18+ and mammograms for women 40+ who have not had a pap smear/mammogram in the last 12 months, and health education information concerning women's health issues, 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the Montefiore Medical Center's Wakefield Hospital, Outpatient Oncology, 6th Fl., 600 East 233rd St., Bronx. To pre-register and for more information, call (718) 920-9434.

CONFERENCE: SVG Diaspora Committee of N.Y., The Consulate General of SVG, COSAGO and the Garifuna Coalition present St. Vincent and the Grenadines Diaspora and Development Conference focusing on the theme "Embracing the Challenges we face and Opportunities that exist for the Development of SVG and its Diaspora" featuring Prime

Wyclef pens 'Purpose: An Immigrant's Story'

Haitian musician Wyclef "Clef" Jean is the latest immigrant to chronicle his life-story by publishing an autobiography detailing his humble beginnings in the slums of his homeland to moving to New York and becoming an international superstar.

In an autobiography entitled "Purpose: An Immigrant's Story" Jean, the son of a pastor and grandson of a voodoo priest pens a revealing account of his life after moving here at the age of nine years old.

How that boy transitioned to forming The Fugees, a musical trio with his cousin, Prakazrel "Pras" Michel and his South Orange High School mate, Lauryn Hill could be enlightening reading to music lovers and fans aspiring to the profession.

The group hit a homerun with a debut album entitled "The Score."

Signed to one of the biggest recording labels in the world, the group garnered accolades, critical acclaim,



Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

international success and ultimately Grammy awards, the biggest recognition in the music industry.

Their rise and fall, his romantic relationship with Hill and how the group ceased to record and tour as a unit are all addressed.

Jean claims the reason the Fugees broke up was because of a betrayal.

He told Vibe magazine that Hill lied to him.

He told the music publication that she led him to believing that he fathered her first born son, Zion.

He later found out that the true father was Rohan Marley, one of Bob Marley's sons who toured with his brother's Ziggy Marley & the Melody Makers who were the opening act for The Fugees. Reportedly, Jean stated: "In that

moment something died between us. I was married and Lauryn and I were having an affair, but she led me to believe that the baby was mine, and I couldn't forgive that."

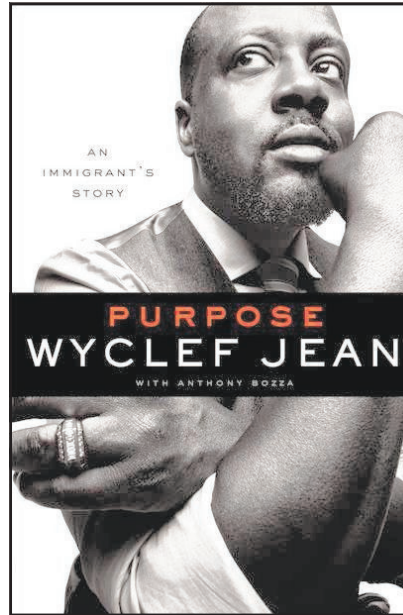
"She could no longer be my muse. Our love spell was broken."

Jean further said that the betrayal he felt from Hill led to the band's breakup.

However, also revealing is his reflection on the efforts he made to help rebuild Haiti after the devastation of an earthquake in 2010.

Jean furthered a patriotic quest to help his homeland by exploring a bid to lead the nation. His quest for presidency of his native island dissipated with questions surrounding his legal place of residence.

In the end, Jean endorsed



Wyclef Jean, "Purpose: An Immigrant's Story."

fellow musician, Michel Martelly who emerged the winner of that election and remains the current leader.

LEE "SCRATCH" IN BROOKLYN

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For the uninitiated, Perry is acclaimed as one of the most important figures in the history of reggae music.

If you missed Lee "Scratch" Perry's last performance in New York, try to catch the veteran on Sunday, Sept. 23 when he performs in Brooklyn as part of the Dub Champions Festival.

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Small cars may be the future

Consumers have long operated under the presumption that “bigger is better,” which is often reflected in the size of the vehicles on the road. However, future mandates on fuel economy could significantly increase the number of compact cars being bought and sold, and big cars might get a run for their money.

In the past, bigger cars might have been the popular trend. Muscle cars of the 1960s, giant sedans of the '70s and even the pumped-up SUVs of modern day are all bigger vehicles. But with the advent of the fuel-efficient car and hybrid or electric models, many people could find themselves driving a compact car in the next few years.

According to U.S. federal requirements, automotive industry products must average 35.5 miles per gallon by 2016, and proposed regulations could increase

that number to 62 mpg by 2025. What this means for auto makers and consumers alike is that small cars could grow increasingly popular.

Automakers are already beginning to invest heavily in smaller vehicles. Compact cars were popular and prominently featured attractions at auto shows throughout 2010 and into 2011.

Consumers who once leaned toward larger vehicles may now purchase compact cars thanks to escalating fuel costs and more eco-conscious consumerism. Compact hybrids have already become trendy among the celebrity set, and many fans may choose to emulate their favorite A-listers. The “green” movement has certainly changed consumer perception of small cars.

What's more, automakers are revamping features that normally caused people to shy away from compact cars. Interior space

is being reconfigured to offer more headroom and legroom. Plus, automakers are packing compacts with innovative features and gadgets that make them appealing to an increasingly tech-savvy society.

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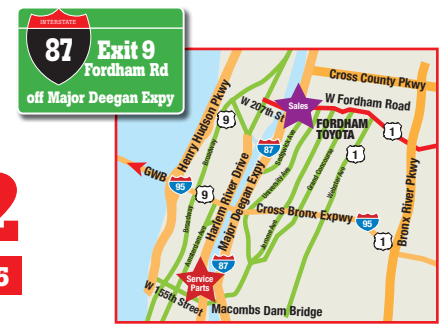
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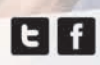
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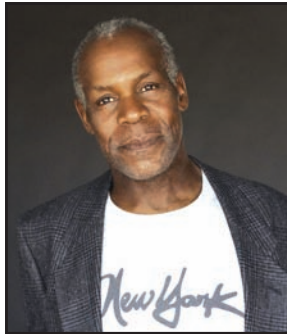
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Harlem Arts Summit for artists and fans

The HARLEM Arts Alliance (HAA), the central connection to Uptown arts and culture, is summoning Harlem artists and New York arts supporters to the Harlem Arts Summit during Harlem Arts Advocacy Week this fall. Under the theme “Harlem at the Crossroads: Sustaining Our Arts and Cultural Resources,” the seven-day series of mostly free events will begin on Oct. 1 at 10:00 a.m. with presentations to actor and activist Danny Glover, legendary theatrical producer Vy Higginsen and pioneering arts producer and consultant Mikki Shepard at Aaron Davis Hall (City College of New York).

The Arts Summit, will feature several performances, screenings, panels and presentations designed to build support for the arts in Harlem and in communities of color throughout the city. The HAA is a 10-year-old not-for-profit arts service organization comprised



Danny Glover.

of established and emerging visual and performing artists, and art supporters, not-for-profit and for-profit organizations and institutions, including universities and churches, that serve the arts and cultural community in Harlem and throughout greater New York City.

“Harlem boasts some of the city’s most stellar arts organizations and artists, individuals and entities that are, in today’s economic climate, struggling to secure and maintain needed sup-

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Vincentian concert

By Nelson A. King

The president of the United Vincie Cultural Group of Brooklyn (UVCG), one of the few Vincentian cultural groups in the United States, has described as “a great success” its recent 9th Annual Concert at the Meyer Levin Intermediate School in Brooklyn.

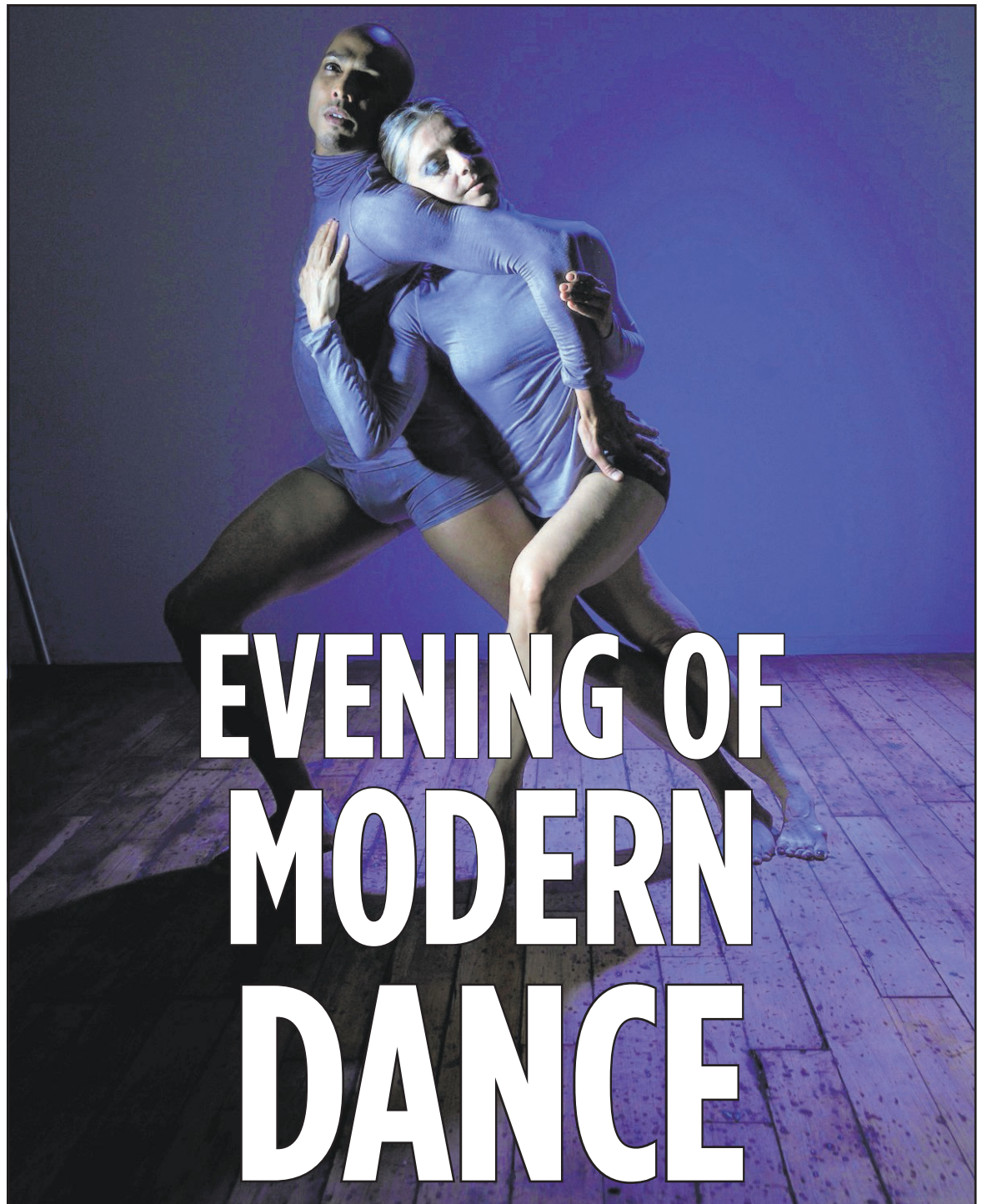
Roxie Irish, a former national netball star, told Caribbean Life that her group, through its masterpieces, continues to promote unreservedly Vincen-

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UVCG President Roxie Irish making special appeal for support for Argye International Airport.

Photo by Nelson A. King



EVENING OF MODERN DANCE

Martin Lofsnes and Alessandra Prospero in “Near Dark.”

Photo by Alexandros Giannakis III

360° Dance Company at Ailey Citigroup

By John Marrast

360° Dance Company presents an evening including the world premieres of “Regular Chain of Being,” choreographed by Lauri Stallings, and

“Near Dark,” choreographed by Artistic Director Martin Lofsnes, from Oct. 18-20, 2012 at Alvin Ailey Citigroup Theater, 405 West 55th Street, NYC. Performances: Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

(Opening Night Gala), Friday at 8:00 p.m. and Saturday at 8:00 p.m.

The Special Opening Night Gala performance on Oct. 18 will include

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- 5 **One More Night**
Maroon 5
- 6 **We are Never Ever Getting...**
Taylor Swift
- 7 **Everybody Talks**
Neon Trees
- 8 **As Long As You Love Me**
Justin Bieber Feat. Big Sean
- 9 **Give Your Heart A Break**
Demi Lovato
- 10 **Good Time**
Owl City & Carly Rae Jepsen

TOP 10 ALBUMS



- 1 **Away From the World**
Dave Matthews Band
- 2 **The Carpenter**
The Avett Brothers
- 3 **Coexist**
The XX
- 4 **Tempest**
Bob Dylan
- 5 **Night Visions**
Imagine Dragons
- 6 **Tornado**
Little Big Town
- 7 **Theatre is Evil**
Amanda Palmer & The Grand Theft Orchestra
- 8 **Fifty Shades of Grey**
Various Artists
- 9 **Overexposed**
Maroon 5
- 10 **North**
Matchbox twenty

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Harlem Arts Summit

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port,” said Voza Rivers, Chairman, HARLEM Arts Alliance. “The Harlem Arts Summit is being held to shine the light on the treasures in our midst and to help them secure and sustain the crucial resources needed to continue their missions.”

Glover will receive the HAA Humanitarian Award at the kick-off event at Aaron Davis Hall on Monday, Oct. 1 and will address the importance of arts and culture to the health and vitality of communities of color in New York and around the world. New State Council on the Arts Executive Director Lisa Robb will give an overview of the status of state arts funding, followed by Kenneth J. Knuckles, Esq., CEO of the Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone Development Corporation, who will report on the current state of the arts in Harlem. The HAA will also honor legendary theatrical producer Vy Higginsen of the Mama Foundation with its Lifetime Achievement Award, and pioneering producer, presenter and arts consultant Mikki Shepard of the Apollo Theater Foundation with HAA’s 2012 Arts Leadership Award.

The Harlem Arts Summit brings together an exciting array

of events showcasing Uptown arts institutions. Highlights include an opening reception hosted by The City College of New York at Aaron Davis Hall, 135th Street and Convent Avenue, on Monday, Oct. 1 at 5:30 p.m., directly followed by “A Conversation with Harlem Arts Leaders: Today’s Challenge, Tomorrow’s Promise.” Noted actress and Harlem resident Tamara Tunie (Law and Order SVU) will introduce the discussion, which will feature Dance Theatre of Harlem’s Artistic Director Virginia Johnson; Harlem School of the Arts President and CEO Yvette L. Campbell; and Patricia Cruz, executive director Harlem Stage/The Gatehouse. The panel will be moderated by multimedia journalist Katti Gray.

The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, 515 Malcolm X Boulevard, opens its doors on Tuesday, Oct. 2 for two events. At 12 noon, it will host a screening of excerpts from the film *The Savoy King: Chick Webb and the Music that Changed America*. This cinematic work turns the spotlight on the Savoy Ballroom, home of the amazing Lindy Hop dancers, and the first venue in America where Blacks and Whites



Vy Higginsen.

Photo by G. N. Miller

could dance and socialize together. The film focuses on band leader and drummer Chick Webb, who led the Savoy Ballroom’s house band; Webb virtually invented modern drumming and built the hottest band of the 1930’s. The film’s executive producer, Voza Rivers, will lead a discussion with Jeff Kaufman, producer/director of *The Savoy King*; Dr. Richard Gale, son of Moe Gale, owner of the Savoy Ballroom; Gertrude Jeannette, actress; Norma Miller,

swing dance master; and special guests. At 6:00 p.m., the Schomburg will hold an open house in partnership with HARLEM Arts Alliance. Schomburg Director Dr. Khalil Gibran Muhammad will welcome attendees preceding an open forum and discussion entitled, “The Next Generation of Voices,” a discussion featuring international journalist and playwright Esther Armah, jazz journalist and producer Greg Thomas, and others.

Vincentian concert



UVCG performing during Club St. Vincentâ€™s grand cultural expositon in August 2012. Nelson A. King.

Photo by Nelson A. King

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tian culture in the Diaspora.

“We have watched over the past eight years how our support base keeps growing, and it is our intent to continue to do whatever necessary to keep our loyal supporters,” said the Born-Again Christian.

“Our concert this year was a great success,” she added. “The audience thoroughly enjoyed the show, even though some expressed

the desire to see more cultural items this year.”

The four-hour-long event showcased a number of skits, dances, chorale speeches and poetic expressions by the adult and children sections.

Cultural legend Leroy “Chico” Ellis, a former member of the renowned New Artist Movement (NAM), also evoked much nostalgia with poetic and dramatic expressions.

Modern Dance

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Erica Dankmeyer performing Jane Dudley’s “Time is Money,” as well as an excerpt from Lauri Stallings’ “MAKTUB,” 360° Dance Company’s inaugural reconstruction and commission.

360° Dance Company presents its 2012 New York City season at Ailey Citigroup Theater with two world premieres, a New York premiere and a new reconstruction. Regular Chain of Being, choreographed by Lauri Stallings, is a journey of the “inter-human” for two, set to Bellini’s *Casta Diva*. This is the company’s second commission by Ms. Stallings and was created in collaboration with gloATL, Atlanta, GA. Martin Lofsnes’ new piece *Near Dark* is the artistic director’s response to five passages from the writings of artist Edward Munch.

The New York premiere of “Purpura” (A Mi Padre) is a new dance theater work with text and choreography by Ricardo Flores. The work follows a man swirling through images of hopes, dreams, memories; striving to come to terms with the inevitable passing of time. The evening will also feature a new reconstruction of

Pauline Koner’s “The Shining Dark,” a story based on Helen Keller with music by Leon Kirchner. Finally, Alessandra Prospero’s *Satsang* (2010) is an exploration of the notion that humans cannot thrive alone, and that the need for each other is greater than we often come to realize.

Dancers: Christopher Bloom, Erica Dankmeyer, Carrie Elmore-Tallitsch, Yuko Giannakis, Hana Ginsburg, Danelle Morgan, Martin Lofsnes, Alessandra Prospero, Romain Rachline, Jerome Stigler. Apprentices: Sarah Beth Haarmann, Elaine Gutierrez, Aaron Hopper, Luca Marino

Founded in 2007 by Artistic Director Martin Lofsnes, 360° Dance Company’s mission is to present classic modern dance masterpieces juxtaposed with original contemporary dance works, in order to simultaneously preserve and develop the modern dance lineage. Comprised primarily of former principal dancers from the Martha Graham Dance Company, as well as other professional artists, 360° combines the grit and passion of the legacy’s founders with the fearless exploration and innovation of today’s modern dance world.

Latex-clad heroine fights flesh-eating zombies

"Resident Evil: Retribution" Fair (1 star)
Rated R for partial nudity and pervasive graphic violence.
Running time: 95 minutes
Distributor: Screen Gems

By Kam Williams

The Resident Evil film franchise is proving to be every bit as enduring as the hordes of flesh-eating zombies featured in its every episode. The movies are based on the popular series of high body-count computer games which has also spawned some comic books, graphic novels, cartoons, and a line of merchandise with action figures and more.

This fifth screen adaptation marks yet another collaboration between writer/director

Paul W.S. Anderson and his wife, cover girl-turned-actress Milla Jovovich. She, of course, reprises her lead role as Alice, the pistol-packing protector of a planet once again threatened with extinction.

As usual, Anderson does his best to exploit his supermodel spouse's good looks, between keeping her clad in form-fitting latex for the duration of the adventure and seizing on any excuse to take a pause in the action for a lingering, extreme close-up of her flawless facial features. Otherwise, RE 5 offers formulaic zombie fighting fare, with Alice and an intrepid team of defenders (Michelle Rodriguez, Boris Kodjoe, Bingbing Li, et al) representing the last hope of humanity.

At the point of departure, our heroine, by way of voiceover, quickly recounts the back



Milla Jovovich as Alice in a scene from "Resident Evil: Retribution."

story of what's transpired in the prior installments. We learn that the trouble all started when an

industrial accident triggered a viral outbreak which in turn led to the rise of the undead.

Today, the diabolical Umbrella Corporation is apparently again up to no good, and on the verge of unleashing an army of mind-controlled minions, including clones of our pretty protagonist. Over-plotted to the point of absurdity, there's no reason to try to follow RE 5's storyline.

For while Milla might be up to the challenge of executing the script, the same can't be said about her supporting cast's wooden delivery of every last line of dialogue. The worst in this regard is Hong Kong star Bingbing Li who is crippled by the English language making a disastrous Hollywood debut here. A visually-captivating fantasy for teenage males with raging hormones, the demo most apt to enjoy watching an invincible vixen in spandex waste wave after wave of mindless mutants.

Independent & Foreign Films

American Autumn (Unrated) Occupation Wall Street-inspired documentary speculating about what the world would look like if capitalism were replaced by an economic system that put human need above corporate greed.

Bear City 2: The Proposal (Unrated) Homoerotic sequel reunites the hirsute, gay gang from Manhattan in Provincetown, Massachusetts for a wild, week-long bachelor party in anticipation of two pals' (Joe Conti and Gerald McCullouch) same-sex wedding. With Kevin Smith, Kathy Najimy and Richard Riehle.

Bringing Up Bobby (PG-13 for profanity, sexuality and drug use) Famke Jansen makes her writing and directorial debut with this dysfunctional family comedy about a European con artist (Milla Jovovich) on the run from the law who settles with her son (Spencer List) in Oklahoma hoping to escape her shady past. Co-starring Bill Pullman, Marcia Cross and Rory Cochrane.

Headshot (Unrated) Revenge thriller, set in Thailand, about an honest cop (Nopachai Chaiyanam) who turns vigilante after being framed for a crime he didn't commit. Plot thickens when



Kam's Kapsules

By Kam Williams

he's shot in the head and emerges from a coma seeing the world upside-down. With Sirin Horwang, Chanokporn Sayoungkul and Apisit Opasaimlikit. (In Thai with subtitles)

The Hole (PG-13 for violence, profanity and frightening images) Haunted house horror flick about a single-mom (Teri Polo) who moves with her kids (Nathan Gamble and Chris Massoglia) from New York City to a new home in the country only to unwittingly open a gateway to hell when they unlock a hatch over a bottomless hole in the basement. With Haley Bennett, Bruce Dern and Quinn Lord.

My Life as Abraham Lincoln (Unrated) Surreal, dark comedy about a blushing bride (Caroline Luft) whose life spirals out of control after she murders her fiancé (Trevor Nelson) on their wedding day. With Gerry Birnbach, Jennifer Lynn Malloy and Wendy Taylor.

The Other Dream Team

(Unrated) Hoops documentary recounting the unlikely triumph of the Lithuanian Men's Basketball Team at the 1992 Olympics with help from the Grateful Dead. Featuring Bill Walton Chris Mullin and Mickey Hart.

Pitch Perfect (PG-13 for sexuality, profanity and drug use) Musical comedy about a college freshman (Anna Kendrick) who overhauls the repertoire of her all-girl singing group in preparation for a big showdown on campus with an all-male rival ensemble in an a cappella competition. Featuring Brittany Snow, Rebel Wilson and Skylar Astin.

Six Million and One (Unrated) Holocaust documentary about four siblings who undertake a journey of discovery to Gunskirchen Concentration Camp after finding a diary among their late father's personal effects detailing the host of horrors he had witnessed while interned there. (In Hebrew English and German with subtitles)



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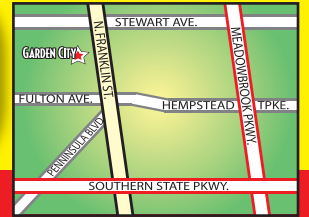


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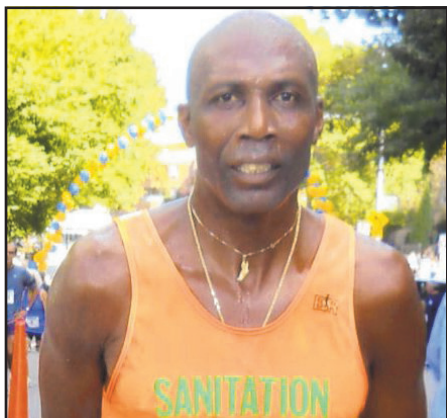


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James McFarlane. Photo by Robert Elkin

It's chip time

By Robert Elkin

James McFarlane once again entered into the Police Officer Chris Hoban five-mile Memorial Run. He and the rest of the field once again enjoyed it still better than in past years on a recent Sunday morning. The directors decided to switch from the 'old fashion' timing to a more modern way and contacted an outside organization who is accustomed to do such a job.

And one of the runners also went along with this new way of scoring a race and certainly preferred it than the system the directors used over previous years..

Originally from Panama, McFarlane, Continued on Page 42

New Twenty20 league for Carib

By Azad Ali

A commercial Twenty20 league in the Caribbean is coming. This was revealed by outgoing chief executive officer of the West Indies Cricket Board (WICB) Ernest Hilaire.

Hilaire's whose term of office comes to an end on Sept. 30, 2012 said he would like to leave having finalized the deal, which was being supported by an unnamed investor.

"We're in the advanced stages of discussions to have a commercial Twenty20 league in the region and I have been leading the negotiations on that. I would like to complete the whole process before I move one," Hilaire said in an interview with the Antigua-based Observer Radio.

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PLAY-OFFS HEAT UP

New York Red Bulls midfielder Tim Cahill, foreground, and New England Revolution defender Stephen McCarthy head the ball together during their MLS soccer match in Foxborough, Mass., Saturday, Sept. 22, 2012. The Red Bulls and the Revolution tied 1-1.

AP Photo/Lindsey Anderson

Red Bulls are still in a tight battle

By Patrick Horne

The MLS play-offs race is heating up as the regular season nears its end. There are 10 play-off positions available in MLS, five from each conference, and to date, only three teams, in the West, have offi-

cially clinched play-off berths.

In the Eastern Conference, first-place Sporting Kansas City (55 pts.), Chicago Fire (53 pts.) and New York Red Bulls (50 pts.) are the top three teams likely to see post-season play, while the two other

play-off spots still up for grabs are being contested by DC United (47 pts.), Houston Dynamo (46 pts.) and the surprising first-year expansion club Montreal Impact (40 pts.), which has a long shot.

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“We are in discussions with an investor. Once we have an understanding, we can move forward with it,” he said.

Hilaire did not elaborate on the structure of the Twenty20 league and if it would be a mirror image of other popular domestic leagues such as the Indian Premier League (IPL). He did make it clear though that the existing Caribbean Twenty20 will be played next year.

“We will be having the Caribbean Twenty20 in January as scheduled. The board will meet later this

month to make some decisions on its structure and how it will be organized,” the WICB CEO added.

He said the WICB directors are scheduled to meet to discuss the governance structure of the board. Hilaire said the board will also discuss the planned Twenty20 league and finalize its structure.

Hilaire said he would be bringing on board both the Federation of International Cricketers’ Association and the West Indies Players Association to discuss issues pertaining to players to make sure there were no hurdles.

MLS Play offs heat up

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In the Western Conference, leader San Jose Earthquakes (60 pts.) officially clinched a play-off berth over a week ago, and the late-surging defending champion Los Angeles Galaxy (49 pts.) and Real Salt Lake (49 pts.) are also officially assured post-season play. The fourth play-off spot most likely will be occupied by the Seattle Sounders (48 pts.), while either the Vancouver Whitecaps (37 pts.) or FC Dallas (36 pts.) will be the fifth team in the post-season.

Last Saturday, there were two crucial draws that kept teams ahead in their Eastern Conference play-off quests. Montreal Impact’s goalless draw with Sporting Kansas City kept the Canadians in the hunt for one of the last two Eastern Conference berths. Kansas City also certainly treasured the point as well as it stayed two points ahead of the Chicago Fire. The other draw, a 1-1 result, involved the New York Red Bulls and the New England Revolution. New England (29 pts.) is out of the play-offs, but the Red Bulls are still in a tight battle; the tie helped the Red Bulls to stay within reach of second place Chicago and maintain a slim three-point margin ahead of DC United.

The Red Bulls blew the chance to come away with three points in New England Saturday to be within a point of Chicago. Leading the game 1-0 after Joel Lindpere’s second-half stoppage time goal in the 91st minute, the Red Bulls failed to secure the lead as the Revolution came the other way three minutes after Lindpere’s tally to tie the game from a header by Darrius Barnes. Chicago maintained its second place position with a 2-1 victory over the Columbus Crew (45 pts.), which has a slim chance of making the play-offs.

In the Western Conference, Juninho and Irish international Robbie Keane each scored two goals to help the Los Angeles Galaxy beat Toronto FC, 4-2, to win its fourth straight game and clinch the play-off spot.



New England Revolution midfielder Clyde Simms, right, heads the ball over midfielder Kelyn Rowe (11) and New York Red Bulls midfielder Rafa Marquez (4) during their MLS soccer match in Foxborough, Mass., Saturday, Sept. 22, 2012.

AP Photo/Stephan Savoia

Terry Dunfield and Luis Silva scored for Toronto FC (22pts.), which is out of the play-offs. Meanwhile Javier Morales and Fabian Espindola scored to give to give Real Salt Lake a 2-1 victory over the Portland Timbers to also ensure post-season play. Despite Seattle Sounders’ 2-1 loss to San Jose Earthquakes, the Sounders are virtually assured the fourth spot in the West.

Once the five play-off teams in each Conference are official, the fourth and fifth place teams in each conference will face-off to create a four-team semifinal bracket in each Conference. In the semifinals, the fourth-place teams will

play their respective Conference winners, while the second and third-place teams in their respective Conferences will play each other. The four semifinals and the two Conference finals will be two-game series with the most aggregate goals producing the winners. In case of draws after the two-game series, two 15-minute periods then penalty kicks if needed will determine the winners. The first games in each series are hosted by the lower seeds. The 2012 MLS Cup, the championship final, is a one-game affair hosted by the higher seed and the same resolution to determine draws will apply.

Terry retires from England

Former England captain John Terry, recently embroiled in an accusation of racial abuse of Queens Park Rangers (English Premier League) player Anton Ferdinand and found not guilty in a British court, resigned from international soccer last Saturday. According to several London news outlets, the Chelsea FC captain said the English Football (Soccer) Association has made his position on the England team “untenable”. The 31-year-old Terry’s resignation came four days before the England FA was scheduled to begin its investigation into the allegations.

It’s chip time

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well known in the running community, migrated to the United States from Panama in 1965. He started his running career during the days of Frank Shorter, Alberto Salazar, and Bill Rodgers in the early 1980s. At the time, with the growth of the New York City Marathon, McFarlane decided to pick up the running sport more seriously than over previous years.

“All the three great runners made me run even more,” he said after he completed the Chris Hoban race in a time of 38:24 for 99th place overall in Brooklyn. Now 56-years of age, McFarlane is still going strong.

A day prior to the Chris Hoban run, he tested another race this one at a distance of 5K at Eisenhower Park conducted by Hofstra University. Over this 3.1 mile distance, he was timed in 20:31 which earned him 22nd place overall and first position in his age group (55-59).

At this age, it becomes a little more difficult running back-to-back.

During the 24th annual Hoban event, his strategy was to get to the bridge and use the rolling hills on Third Avenue in Brooklyn going north to the finish

line.

“But I had a car get in front of me and a pedestrian dashed out between cars and I almost collided in front of him,” he said. “The next thing I knew I started to feel a tweet in my hamstring. I wanted to finish because I wanted the Michael Hanley award for the Sanitation Department so I could mail it to the commissioner to put it on display.

The weather was a little on the warm side for the Hoban event as it was very favorable to the runners.

“I love coming here (to the Chris Hoban race),” he continued. “I’ve been running in this race for maybe 20 years. I believe the directors of the race then gave us sweaters for winning. I have a lot of them.

The directors of the race marked the first time electronic chips were used on the bibs for scoring and timing purposes.

“The scoring was done properly instead of (the officials) taking off tags,” McFarlane said. “If someone ran in front of us at the finish line it doesn’t matter because the chip time is already recorded. The chip time is better than the hand time, except when it is on the sneaker...”

Sri Lanka starts with huge win over Zimbabwe

Host Sri Lanka started off their world cup Twenty20 match with a swinging victory over Zimbabwe. Sri Lanka came back from 82 runs for 3 wickets in the twelfth over to score 182 runs for 4 wickets after 20 overs. Kumar Sangakkara and Agantha Mendis responded well with a partnership of 94 runs for the third wicket. Mendis scored 43 runs not out from 30 balls and Sangakkara 44 runs from 26 balls.

When Zimbabwe batted, they were bowled out for 100 runs with Jeewan Mendis picking up three wickets and Agantha Mendis 6 wickets for 8 runs.

Agantha Mendis Creates Record

Agantha Mendis created a Twenty20 record with 6 wickets for 8 runs. Sri Lanka's bold start has signalled how important each team must give 100 percent and that there is no room for weakness. Jeewan Mendis



Eyes on Cricket

By George H. Whyte

picked up 3 wickets for 24 runs.

No Room For Sloppy Fielding

Fielding will play a vital role in this Twenty20 series. Zimbabwe dropped catches and fielded badly, which cost them the game. South Africa and Australia are the better fielding teams in the competition. Catches much be taken.

Bowling Already Proving Critical

Scoring a huge total is important but bowlers have to do the job and contain the batsmen by not allowing them to get too aggressive and score too many runs. Heavy hitting will be the order of the day. Many batsmen will be going for the gigantic shots and the more

bowlers can do to contain the heavy hitting, the better for that team.

Windies Players Must Prepare for Hard Work

Proper strategies and intelligent cricket will be the order in which most teams will be approaching their game. It is hoped that the coach's plan will be implemented. West Indies players must use their knowledge to know what has to be done at the different stages of the game.

Huge Totals are Expected

Team Australia has three hard hitting batsmen who are accustomed to Twenty20 cricket. Competing teams must be aware of the unquestionable abili-



Sri Lanka's Jeewan Mendis, left and Kumar Sangakkara, right run between the wickets as Zimbabwe's bowler Kyle Jarvis, center watches during the ICC Twenty20 Cricket World Cup match between Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe in Hambantota, Sri Lanka, Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2012.

AP Photo/Gemunu Amarasinghe

ties of Shane Watson, David Warner and Mike Hussey. Cameron White and George Bailey, along with wicket

keeper/batsman Matthew Wade, give the Aussies a great opportunity to get off the series with a flier. The

team with the greater batting depth should be able to cope with many of the challenges to be faced.

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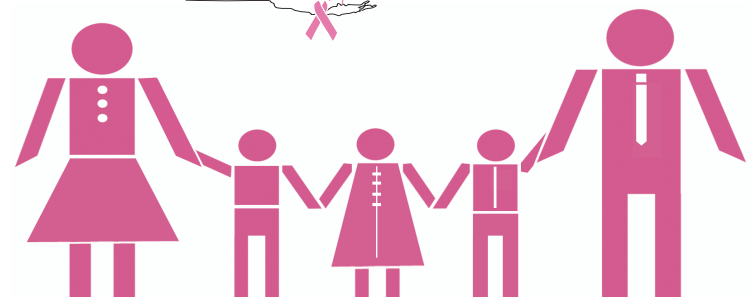
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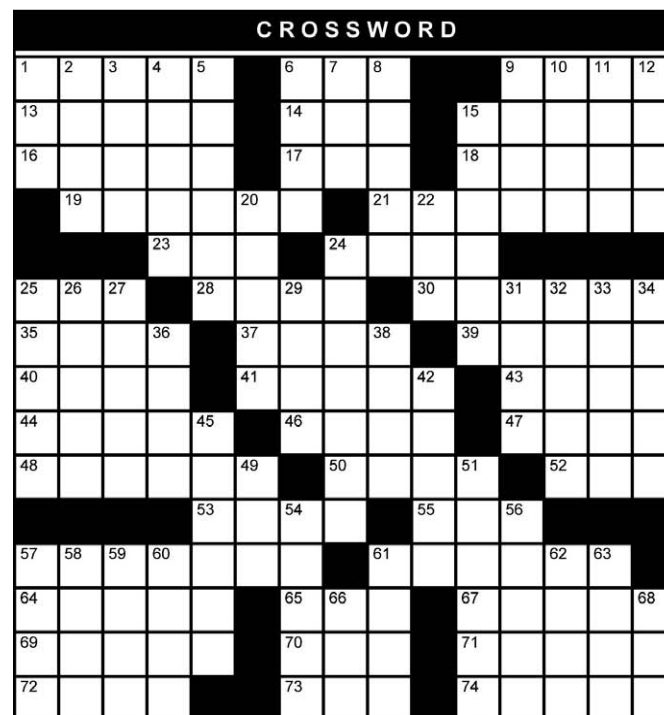
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67. Napoleon's time on Elba, e.g.
69. Ralph in Paris
70. And so forth
71. Follows wash
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74. Passover meal

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3. Crossdresser's garb
4. Ran or appeared
5. *Prolific Western fiction writer
6. Tear violently
7. Medical group
8. Military-led government
9. To liven, as in "it ____ him up"
10. Used for measurement
11. Kissing disease?
12. *Michael Crichton's novel about nano-robotic threat to mankind
15. In earnest
20. Sneers
22. The top seed

24. The corrupt often do this
25. *"The Turn of the Screw" author
26. Inundated
27. Davis or Midler, e.g.
29. As opposed to gross
31. Peat wetlands
32. Biblical Abraham's original name
33. Camel's cousin
34. *The Twilight Saga author
36. It freezes in headlights?
38. "As ____ on TV"
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Audrey & Frank Peterman: Groundkeepers of the Earth
 By L'Nzinga Strickland
PEOPLE: They love each other, their six (combined) children, 16 grand children and three great-grand, and along with that, the nation's leading Black environmentalists, Audrey and Frank Peterman of Florida, love the grandeur, breathtaking beauty, and sustainability of an ecological system that many lovingly call "mother earth." Comments (1).

Reggae ambassadors return to New York
 By Vernetta K. Pryce
MUSIC & FASHION: After a whirlwind year capped by a stellar appearance at the Jamaica Jazz Festival earlier this year, reggae super group Third World is back on the touring circuit. On the first Tuesday in April, fans of the acclaimed reggae ambassadors were able to share in a double celebration with a performance that also marked the launch of the group's 23rd anniversary.

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