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Captains Mahela Jayawardena, right, of Sri Lanka and Darren Sammy of West Indies pose with the winner's trophy of the ICC Twenty20 Cricket World Cup ahead their final in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Saturday, Oct. 6, 2012, which West Indies won. See Page 35

AP Photo/Gemunu Amarasinghe

Guyanese rogue cops strike again

By Bert Wilkinson

Last week, a party of what opposition parties and rights groups are describing as a group of rogue cops, accidentally shot and killed 23-year-old Demeon Belgrave as he sipped a beer outside a popular hangout bar, putting a negative spotlight once again on the department, three months after it mowed down a group of opposition supporters and just weeks after another team executed a teenager

in public view.

The shooting of Belgrave, about six hours before he turned 24, with high-powered rifles forced the police administration to take unusually quick steps to contain the public relations fallout from the latest judicial murder and in one of the few cases, and quickly admit culpability rather than alleging that the victim had had a weapon.

It also forced Guyanese to hark

back to events leading up to a 2002 carnival day jailbreak by four prisoners on remand that triggered mayhem in the country and in particular, the deliberate targeting of a notorious gang of policemen who had had the open backing of government whenever they executed a citizen, regardless of the circumstances. When the dust cleared two years later, 27 law enforcement officers were killed,

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BLAME IT ON MDC'S

Developed countries responsible for Carib travails, leaders say

By Nelson A. King

With the sluggish recovery of the world's economy seemingly providing little hope, particularly for Small Island Developing States (SIDS), such as those in the region, Caribbean Community (CARICOM) countries in the last two weeks used the hallowed chamber of the United Nations to plea for much-needed aid while blasting developed countries for their current quagmire.

One by one, regional leaders and representatives told the just-concluded 67th Session of the U.N. General Assembly Debate that greed, insensitivity and non-chalance, among other things, by

industrialized nations were primarily behind most of the challenges facing the region.

"In our Caribbean region, the global economic and financial meltdown continues to be felt most acutely by the poor, the youth, the elderly and the vulnerable, who bear no responsibility for the rampant financial speculation and unregulated movement of capital that spurred the crisis," St. Vincent and the Grenadines' Prime Minister Dr. Ralph Gonsalves said.

"Today, four years into an externally-imposed meltdown, which has produced negative or margin-

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THE NEWS FROM BACK HOME

Caribbean

United States law enforcement officials say they had arrested three people and seized more than 900 kilos of cocaine during operations in the Caribbean Sea recently.



The Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE), Homeland Security Investigations (HIS), together with the Caribbean Corridor Strike Force (CCSF), said they had arrested three Dominican Republic nationals for drug trafficking and seized 918 kilograms of cocaine with an estimated street value of US\$22 million.

"In less than one month, HIS and its partners in the Caribbean Corridor Strike Force have seized more than 2,000 kilograms of cocaine," said Angel Melendez, acting special agent in charge of HIS.

Barbados

The Barbados government will soon consider recommendations calling for the establishment of a task force that will assist the authorities' source funds to restore historic buildings.



Minister of Culture Stephen Lashley said a document to be presented to Cabinet is "at a very advanced stage."

Lashley said there were several buildings on the island, including the Public Library that had not received the necessary attention over the years.

He said the inscription of Historic Bridgetown and its Garrison as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in June 2011, many tourists had visited Barbados..

There is a niche for world heritage tourism," he said.

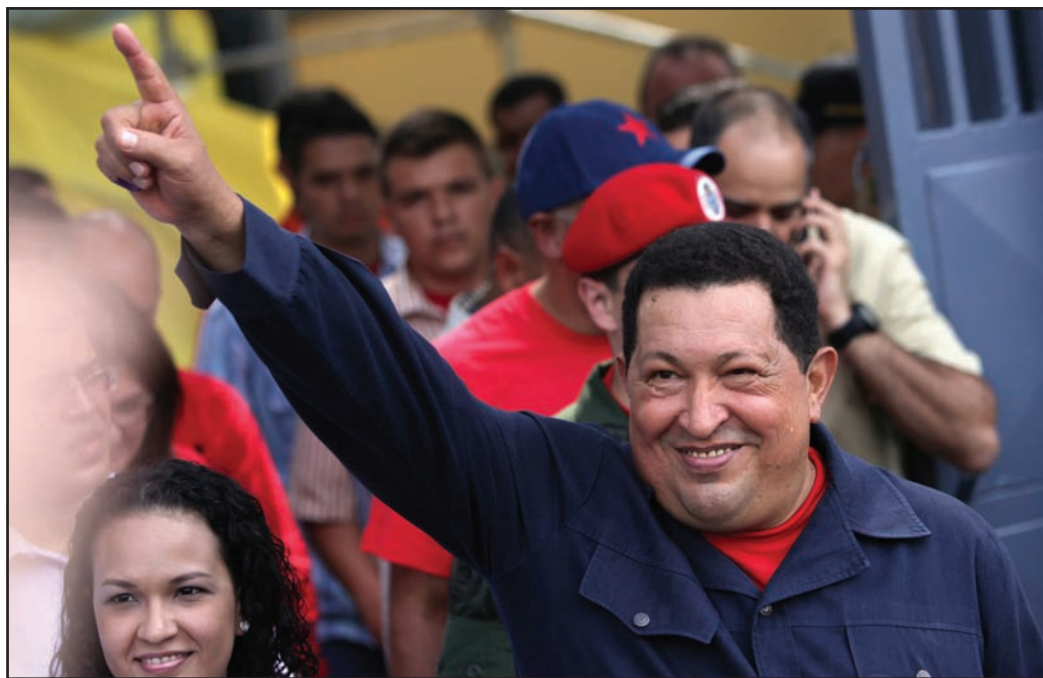
Lashley said there are a number of young persons were currently being trained as tour guides within the historic property, adding this was extremely important for the country.

Grenada

A 49-year-old man will reappear in court in Grenada on Nov. 1, 2012 charged with 76 counts of sexually assaulting his two stepdaughters over a nine-year period.



Police said



Chavez wins third term

Accompanied by his daughter Rosa Virginia, left, Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez gestures to supporters as he leaves the polling station after voting in the presidential election in Caracas, Venezuela, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012. See story on Page 6

AP Photo/Rodrigo Abd

Reynold Pierre was charged with 28 and 48 counts respectively of carnal knowledge.

He was not requested to plead since the charges have been laid indictably, when he recently appeared in court.

Pierre was released on EC\$100,000 bail. The two children have since been removed from the home.

In July, Parliament approved an amendment to the Criminal Code, which provides for a maximum of 30 years imprisonment for anyone convicted of sex offences.

Haiti

The United Nations Office of the Special Envoy for Haiti said recently that more than half of the \$5.33 billion pledged by donors to help the impoverished Caribbean nation rebuild after the 2010 has been released.

An analysis of pledges made at a donor's conference shortly after Haiti's 2010 earthquake revealed that \$2.79 billion, or 52.3 percent of the approximate \$5.33 billion pledged by 55 donors for recovery activities between 2010 and 2012 have been disbursed.

Another 10 percent went toward

grants that supported the UN, the Inter-American Development Bank and World Bank. The rest went toward loans and budget support to the Haitian government.

The UN Office of the Special Envoy for Haiti is run by former U.S. President Bill Clinton. The bureau has been tracking the pledges made at an international donors' conference in New York that came two months after Haiti's massive earthquake in January 2010. The disaster displaced more than a million people, toppled thousands of buildings in the capital and other southern cities, killing an estimated 314,000 people.

Jamaica

The Ministry of Education in Jamaica is to implement a behavior-modification program in the wake of an increase in violence in the island's public education institutions.

This was disclosed by Education Minister Ronald Thwaites hours after a 17-year-old student

at a high school in Green Island, Hanover, allegedly stabbed three of his fellow students recently.

This followed several stabbing incidents involving students in schools last year.

Thwaites said the ministry is preparing to implement a significant program of behavior modification, which will involve the testing and early diagnosis of those children deemed to have tendencies of uncontrolled anger and for them to be properly treated.

Additionally, he said, to stem the crime, his ministry was emphasizing the Safe Schools Program as well as the need for deans of discipline to be given the powers of a special district constable so they can search for weapons and physically restrain persons where necessary.

St. Lucia

Prime Minister Dr. Kenny Anthony has dismissed calls by the main opposition United Workers party (UWP) for a further postponement of value added tax (VAT) in St. Lucia.

The UWP has

been contending that the introduction of the tax on Oct. 1, is ill-timed due to a weak economy and a lack of public education.

The party has been staging a series of public meetings across the island in support of its call for the fiscal measure to be introduced in January next year.

But in a statement, Anthony said he was bemused at an "about face of the UWP on a policy that it had approved during its term in office."

The prime minister said he is undeterred by a series of political meetings hosted to galvanize public support for a VAT deferment and reiterated that there would be no further delays to implement the VAT.

St. Lucia

Prime Minister Dr. Kenny Anthony says local authorities can find no record of any formal agreement indicating that St. Lucia had established diplomatic relations with Taiwan more than five years ago.

Anthony, who recently told the nation that his administration would maintain diplomatic relations with Taiwan, told reporters that the "clandestine manner" in which Castries and Taipei established diplomatic relations in April 2007 "has left lingering question" for citizens here.

Reading from a letter Anthony said was written in November last year by former Prime Minister Stephenson King to former Taiwanese Ambassador Tom Chou, he cited an instance in which the former prime minister made reference to a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the two countries.

Anthony said the letter outlined a proposal for funding from Taiwan projects to be undertaken by the Vieux Fort Village Council at a cost of nearly EC\$1 million.

He said that although his predecessor had cited the MOU in numerous instances of correspondence with the Taiwanese diplomat the authorities here have no such record of an agreement and that his administration will in future request a copy of the accord from King.



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Bring us your photos, tell your stories

By Tequila Minsky

Do you have photos in your family album with amazing stories that go with them? Maybe you have a stash of pics stored in a bureau drawer or photographs hidden in a shoebox in the closet.

Thomas Allen Harris and the Digital Diaspora Family Reunion project—DDFR—wants to see your family photographs, hear your stories, and videotape your narrative.

In all their complexities and variations, these chronicles are the fabric of the history of Americans. “Thomas want to create a movement for people to see the value in their family archives and history,” says DDFR outreach director Greg Warren Jr. “And, we want to reach all the Diaspora.” The varied populations that make up Brooklyn are invited to participate.

Joining with the Brooklyn College Community Partnership, from Oct. 16-18, Harris is bringing his team of listeners, lookers and documenters to Brooklyn College to engage the Brooklyn community along with BC students, faculty, and alumni in sharing their family histories through family photos. Dozens of campus groups will take part in the innovative project.

Also called the ‘Flatbush edition’, the Digital Diaspora Family Reunion wants you! “We’re looking for all ages, races and

ethnicities; high schoolers to retirees will be participating,” says Warren. “We want people to unlock their family archives and tell their story.” Project director Harris says, “The stories in your family album definitely form your life.”

All are invited when the DDFR project culminates on Oct. 25, in a multimedia version of ‘show & tell’ revealing the diverse individual and family stories from the extended Brooklyn College community. The evening will feature the personal reflections from many of the individuals who participated in this unique partnership and will be streamed live on several social media platforms. The grand finale will take place at 5pm at The Student Union Building: Gold Room.

Harris has previously taken his project, which he calls the ‘roadshow’, from New York City to Maryland and Atlanta where residents shared pictures and legends unlocked from family photo collections. He’s been invited to large family reunions.

Harris’ team has seen hundreds of contributors since 2009, the project’s start, and has looked at thousands of photographs. The oldest photograph they saw was from the late 1800s. “We plan to see hundreds each day,” says Warren, referring to the DDFR.

Speak-out against wars

By Donna Lamb

Eleven years ago this month, the United States invaded Afghanistan, starting what has turned out to be not only America’s longest running war, but one of the longest wars in modern history.

On Sun., Oct. 7, a large crowd gathered in the Harlem State Office Building Plaza on 125th Street to voice their opposition to this and other U.S. wars both at home and abroad. This People’s Fight Back Resistance as it was dubbed, organized by the broad-based United National Anti-war Coalition (UNAC), was attended by diverse anti-war activists and members of Muslim and community groups and immigrant and labor organizations.

Defying the lousy weather, they came from all over the City as well as New Jersey, Connecticut, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC to speak out against this war that continues to take a massive human and fiscal toll. Thousands of U.S. soldiers have been wounded or killed, as have hundreds of thousands of



Nellie Bailey moderates Harlem speak-out.

Photo by Donna Lamb

innocent Afghan civilians, to the tune of half a trillion U.S. dollars.

This spirited speak-out was moderated by Nellie Bailey from Harlem Fights Back against War and Occupy Harlem. “The United States has numerous wars, occupations, and covert operations in countries around the world,” she

said. “These wars represent death at home and abroad and have caused austerity measures that are miring millions of Americans in ever deepening poverty.”

Bailey continued, “These wars are an enormous burden on American taxpayers who are facing crumbling infrastructures, an inadequate healthcare system,

lack of affordable housing, failed educational systems, an unemployment crisis, horrific mass incarceration, and literally daily killings and humiliations by police departments across the country. Blacks and Latinos are hit particularly hard. We must shift our priorities and demand a change.”

Andre White does it again

--Three-peat for young pan master and winning arranger

By Andrew Martin & Ray Funk

Andre White may have only left college in May, but he is already a veteran steelband arranger and was—for the third time—the winning arranger at the Brooklyn Panorama this past Labor Day. A multifaceted steel pan performer, arranger, and jazz soloist, Andre White has little time to enjoy the triumph. Success brings opportunity and for White the future looks busy. Born in the US with a Jamaican than Trinidadian heritage, White does not fit the traditional mold of steelband arrangers. His path to success challeng-



Andre White

Andrew Martin & Ray funk

es the conventional norms and may indeed foreshadow the future course of Trinidad and Tobago’s national instrument.

Musically literate and an

accomplished jazz soloist, White studied music at the Berklee School of Music in Boston. His ambitions go beyond that of Panorama “I went to Berklee to become a musician. I want to push that envelope and, to be honest, I want to be a bebop pan player.” His advanced training and gifted musical ear serve to create a style all his own. “I’ve really been approaching steelband arranging like big band jazz arranging” said White during our interview and he hopes that by being true to himself he too, can be recognized along with the greats of steelband arranging the likes Boogise Sharpe

and Clive Bradley.

Despite his youth, a mere twenty-two years old, White has already amassed an impressive résumé as a steelband arranger. Since 2006, he has arranged for Adlibs Steel Orchestra of Long Island winning the Brooklyn Panorama in 2008, 2011, and 2012. White also arranges for other steelbands in Trinidad and is a regular in London where he led Mangrove Steel Orchestra to victory in the BAS Panorama last year. Mangroves leader Matthew Phillips sums it up, “We feel very lucky to have found Andre when we did back in early

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Caribbean blasts developed countries for economic quagmire

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 al growth across the Caribbean, our region is forced to contemplate the implications of a potential 'lost decade' of development," he added.

"Our hard-won developmental gains are in jeopardy, and our settled politi-

cal stability is in possible peril," Gonsalves warned. "The international community cannot ignore our plight based on a distorted calculus of middle-income status and relative prosperity; or on simplistic, even offensive, stereotypes of Caribbean paradises."

The Vincentian leader said small, highly-indebted middle-income developing countries, like those in the Caribbean, which are very vulnerable to natural disasters and international economic convulsions, have especial concerns, "which the international commu-

nity is obliged to address properly in partnership with the people of our region.

"External shocks, derived from nature or the workings of an uneven casino capitalism, are not merely episodic to our Caribbean; they are a constant feature of our regional economies," he said.

Gonsalves said central to the "urgent reexamination and reconfiguration of the existing economic apparatus" is the recognition that the Caribbean's modern context and individual national characteristics "do not lend themselves to strict classical or Keynesian economic prescriptions or their variants."

He said the region's peculiarities of size, openness and vulnerability require "uniquely homegrown economic policies that are rooted not in any prevailing ideology or fashionable theories from outside but in a sensible, flexible and focused practicality.

"While we welcome and solicit assistance and con-

sultation with relevant institutions and organizations, such consultations must be free of the type of textbook orthodoxies or formulaic prescriptions that are inapplicable to our times and circumstances," Gonsalves said. "Our path to development must be our own."

Antigua and Barbuda's Prime Minister Baldwin Spencer lamented that the region is yet to see any significant improvements nearly five years since a sharp downturn in the world's economy began.

"While we have tried several attempts to curtail the hemorrhaging of our fragile economies, it must be said that we need greater cooperation, flexibility and inclusion from our development partners," he said, stating that Gross Domestic Product (GDP) should no longer be the criterion used when accessing concessional financing and other international financial reliefs.

Instead, Spencer urged that mechanisms be put in place taking consideration "a host of other elements including fragility of economies.

"We are still in a crisis, a crisis of confidence in global governance and the institutional capacity for managing the international financial systems, international trade and international development policies," he lamented.

"We are also living in the era of globalization, where cooperative collectives – and not ambitious and selfish empires – must be the order of the day in international financial governance," he added.

"A privilege few should never be allowed to make financial decisions that impact the socio-economic livelihood of millions without regard for the excluded majority," continued the Antiguan leader, stating that economic prosperity should be shared equally among and within countries.

Guyana teen executed in public

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 including 24 policemen, two special drug agents and a soldier, in what gangsters said was sweet revenge for years of brutality by members of the Guyana police force.

Fearing that a new round of similar troubles could befall the country and officers, Police Chief Leroy Brummel and acting National Security Minister Robeson Benn have both warned rogue cops that they will face the full brunt of the law

if they breach rules and established norms.

In the case of Belgrave late on Friday night, police opened fire with rifles in the heart of a crowded bar missing their intended suspect "in a suspicious-looking car" and hitting an innocent bystander having a pre-birthday drink with buddies.

As it turned out, the car the cops were tailing and then chasing was being driven by an unlicensed, joyriding 15-year old who was wise enough to stop

in a crowded area for fear that police would have rid-dled them and produce a gun alleging it was theirs. They opened fire anyway, killing Belgrave and sparking another round of outrage that forced Chief Brummel to admit that the situation is running out of control.

"I don't intend to lead a police force where police are doing nonsense. It is very hard when people are doing nonsense and putting me under pressure," he said as he visited



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IADB \$\$ for disaster preparedness

By Nelson A. King

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has launched two new contingent credit facilities for Latin America and the Caribbean to help countries deal beforehand with shocks caused by external financial crises and to help nations cope with the aftermath of natural disasters.

The Washington-based financial institution said a new Development Sustainability Contingent Credit Line (DSL) will make US\$6 billion available to the IDB's 26 borrowing member-countries over the 2012-2014 period, with a maximum of US\$2 billion per year and with unused resources from one year carrying over to the next one.

The IDB said the new line is designed to help countries protect its poorest citizens from sharp fluctuations in commodity prices, global liquidity crises and other exogenous factors.

It said a separate Contingent Credit Line for Natural Disasters (CCL) will help countries cover urgent financing needs that arise immedi-

ately after a natural disaster.

The IDB said the overall amount for the CCL is capped at US\$2 billion for 2012-2014.

In addition, it said a separate and currently available Contingent Credit Facility for Natural Disasters (CCF) is being expanded.

"Many of the poorest citizens of Latin America and the Caribbean region have seen their lives improve in recent years thanks to better social programs and macroeconomic management," said IDB President Luis Alberto Moreno.

"Development Banks, such as ours, can help protect these policies and social programs from earthquakes, floods, commodity price fluctuations, external financial crises and other events that are beyond the control of governments," he added.

The new DSL replaces the previous US\$3 billion Emergency Lending facility, the IDB said.

It is designed to specifically protect programs and policies that assist the poor from external financial shocks

and is capped at a maximum of US\$300 million per country, or 2 percent of a country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP), whichever is lower. Countries get the contingency line approved before the event takes place, the IDB said.

It said the Contingent Credit Line for Natural Disasters is to provide borrowing member countries with resources to cover urgent financing needs that arise immediately after a natural disaster, until other sources of funding can be accessed.

The IDB said the country limit is US\$100 million or 1 percent of GDP, whichever is lower.

It said the new CCL will complement the currently available Contingent Credit Facility for Natural Disasters (CCF), a more restrictive facility created to help countries deal with catastrophic natural disasters.

Unlike the CCL, the CCF has no overall limit, though the limit per country has been set to US\$300 million or 2 percent of GDP, whichever is lower.

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Chavez wins another election

By Frank Bajak & Ian James

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — President Hugo Chavez won re-election and a new endorsement of his socialist project Sunday, surviving his closest race yet after a bitter campaign in which the opposition accused him of unfairly using Venezuela's oil wealth and his near total control of state institutions to his advantage.

A long wait for the results produced high tensions, including a Twitter hashtag called BitingNails that became the most popular in the country. Finally, fireworks exploded over downtown Caracas amid a cacophony of horn-honking by elated Chavez supporters waving flags and jumping for joy outside the presidential palace.

With 90 percent of votes counted, Chavez had more than 54 percent of the vote to 45 percent for challenger Henrique Capriles, an athletic 40-year-old former state governor who unified and energized the opposition while

barnstorming across the oil-exporting nation.

But Capriles' promises to seriously address violent crime that has spun out of control, streamline a patronage-bloated bureaucracy and end rampant corruption proved inadequate against Chavez's charisma, well-oiled political machine and a legacy of putting Venezuela's poor first with generous social welfare programs.

Chavez rallied thousands of supporters from a balcony of the presidential palace, holding up a sword that once belonged to 19th century independence hero Simon Bolivar.

"The revolution has triumphed!" Chavez told the crowd, saying his supporters "voted for socialism."

The crowd responded chanting "Chavez won't go!"

Chavez will now have a freer hand to push for an even bigger state role in the economy and continue populist programs. He pledged before the vote to make a stronger

push for socialism in the next term. He's also likely to further limit dissent and deepen friendships with U.S. rivals.

A Capriles victory would have brought a radical foreign policy shift including a halt to preferential oil deals with allies such as Cuba, along with a loosening of state economic controls and an increase in private investment.

It was Chavez's third re-election in nearly 14 years in office. It was also his smallest victory margin. In 2006, he won by 27 percentage points.

"I can't describe the relief and happiness I feel right now," said Edgar Gonzalez, a 38-year-old construction worker.

He ran through crowds of Chavez supporters packing the streets around the presidential palace wearing a Venezuelan flag as a cape and yelling: "Oh, no! Chavez won't go!"

"The revolution will continue, thanks to God and the people of this great country," said Gonzalez.



Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez greets his supporters at the Miraflores presidential palace balcony in Caracas, Venezuela, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012. Chavez won re-election and a new endorsement of his socialist project Sunday, surviving his closest race yet after a bitter campaign against opposition candidate Henrique Capriles. AP Photo/Fernando Llano

St. Vincent diaspora policy

In an address to Vincentians in New York last weekend, St. Vincent Prime Minister Ralph Gonsalves identified the influx of criminal deportees from the U.S. and the failure of nationals abroad to engage in targeted investment at home, as the two main downsides to development by expatriates.

Addressing the need for a diaspora policy for Vincentians abroad, the prime minister said he recognized migration as a many-sided and complex issue but explained that his government already has crafted a document in consultation with stakeholders at home and abroad that can be used as a road map for the way forward.

Because migration is "many-sided and complex," Gonsalves said, his government has already approved, in principle, a working draft on "A Diaspora Policy for St. Vincent and the Grenadines"

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The appraisal and the proposed Deed and Project Summary are available for public examination at the office of HPD, 100 Gold Street, Room 5A4, New York, New York on business days during business hours.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held on October 24, 2012 at Second Floor Conference Room, 22 Reade Street, Manhattan at 10:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached on the calendar, at which time and place those wishing to be heard will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed sale of the Disposition Area pursuant to Section 695(2)(b) of the General Municipal Law and Section 1802(6)(j) of the Charter.

Individuals requesting sign language interpreters should contact the Mayor's Office of Contract Services, Public Hearings Unit, 253 Broadway, Room 915, New York, New York 10007, (212) 788-7490, no later than five (5) business days prior to the public hearing. TDD users should call Verizon relay services.



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Fairness for domestic workers

A story about nannies and other domestic aides

By Marisa Jahn

A groundbreaking new hotline entitled: 'New Day New Standard,' is educating domestic workers and nannies about the critical protections won by the Domestic Workers Bill of Rights, including minimum and overtime wages, paying your taxes, as well as arming them with life-saving information for getting out of trafficking and avoiding scams.

With school back in session, nannies are returning to full-time work; so I thought a piece designed to educate employers and help nannies avoid scams and put money back in their pockets (thousands of dollars) for free would be of interest.

Fall is the season when thousands of nannies, babysitters, housekeepers, and eldercare workers are rehired—but did you know that currently one out of every 5 nannies earns under New York State's \$7.25 minimum wage. Countless more don't know they're eligible for time-and-a-half overtime pay and at least one day of rest per week.

That's why the New Day New Standard campaign is urging nannies to call this new, free hotline- so they can get what's rightfully theirs.

An aggressive new effort is helping the city's 200,000 nannies, housekeepers, and caregiv-

ers collect little-known benefits worth thousands of dollars- while avoiding dangerous threats and scams.

Called "New Day New Standard" the groundbreaking new interactive hotline partnering with MIT's Center for Civic Media is educating nannies and their employers about the critical protections won by the Domestic Workers Bill of Rights (minimum and overtime wages) as well as arming them with other life-saving information for getting out of trafficking, and avoiding common scams.

The law was a major victory that protects the rights of a huge swath of NYC workers. The problem is that nobody knows about it – and according to one recent survey, 60 percent of employers were in violation of the new law.

This new hotline is providing nannies with much-needed info on minimum wage, overtime and other rights in an accessible and innovative way. Currently, 20% of nannies, many of whom are from Trinidad, earn under the minimum wage, and most people simply don't know that they're violating the working rights of domestic workers.

Meanwhile, REV-, a media arts and social justice non-profit has created a free hotline (646-699-3989) that informs nannies,

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After we re-elect President Obama, then what?

By Ron Daniels

Dr. Ron Daniels, political analyst, veteran social activist and president of the Institute of the Black World 21st Century (IBW) commented recently that the burning question being asked by many Black voters is what happens after the election. "Our response is that all roads lead to Howard University in Washington, D.C., Nov. 14-18 for State of the Black World Conference III." Daniels noted that the conference is strategically timed to assess the impact of the 2012 presidential election and devise strategies to combat what the organizers call a "State of Emergency in America's dark ghettos." A Declaration of Intent to Heal Black Families and Communities will be developed as a blueprint and action agenda as an outgrowth of the conference.

The first public event for SOBWCIII will be a high-profile town hall meeting where the impact of the election on Black America and the Pan African World will be the focus. Susan Taylor, George Fraser, Dr. Maulana Karenga, Dr. Julianne Malveaux, Dr. Marc Lamont Hill, Jeff Johnson, Dr. Cornel West

and Atty. Faya Rose Sanders are confirmed panelists. Congresswoman Maxine Waters has been invited to offer remarks to frame the discussion. Walter Fields, facilitator for the Shirley Chisholm Presidential Accountability Commission, will provide a perspective on the ongoing need for a Black Agenda to monitor the progress of the Executive Branch, Congress and agencies of the federal government as it relates to Black issues. Mark Thompson, host of Make It Plain, SIRIUS/XM and Bev Smith, host of the Bev Smith Show, Empowerment Radio, will serve as moderators.

Dr. Daniels revealed that more than 100 speakers, panelists and resource persons have been confirmed for a broad ranging program that will include a Pan African Policy Forum, Special Affinity Sessions on HIV/AIDS, Black Media/Communications, Summit on Anti-Violence and Hip Hop Activists, Plenary Session on the War on Drugs and Working Sessions on Business/Economic Development and Black Family, Health and the Environment, Education, Mobilizing the Diaspora for Empowerment to Caucuses for Women

and Youth/Students. There will also be a reception in honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Independence of Jamaica and Trinidad and a Legacy Award Celebration to honor the contributions of individuals who have made significant contributions to the Black Freedom Struggle.

Dr. Daniels was very blunt about the importance of the conference. "It's time out for moaning, groaning and complaining. SOBWC III is about examining real models and solutions to real problems, learning from each other, embracing each other, and developing strategies to engage the struggle to empower our communities. After the election, State of the Black World Conference III is the place to be to plan for our future!"

For further information about SOBWC III visit the website www.ibw21.org or call 888.774.2921. To arrange interviews, contact Carolyn McClair Public Relations - cmpnews@aol.com - 917.686.0854

Courtesy Dr. Ron Daniels, political analyst, veteran social activist and president of the Institute of the Black World 21st Century (IBW).

Investing in progress

By Josh Knaver

As a software entrepreneur, I find it ironic to see people going online to rail against taxes and government spending. The Internet grew from government research financed by earlier generations of taxpayers. So did computers, GPS technology and many other technologies we take for granted today.

The Global Positioning System (GPS) we access from our phones, computers and cars was developed and is still operated by the Department of Defense, which does not charge user fees.

We know the companies making the latest commercial products, but not the history of private and public sector innovation and partnership behind them. A strong collaboration between the public and private sectors is essential for the continued innovation and job creation necessary to keep our country competitive in the global market.

My company, Rhiza Labs, was recently named one of Pittsburgh's top 10 fastest growing tech companies. We make easy-to-use tools for collecting, analyzing and sharing data online. My business has directly benefited from the tax dollars that went into the research that created Internet technologies long before Rhiza was established. Like many businesses, we've had customers from the public and private sector – from AT&T and Comcast to Pittsburgh Public Schools and the United Way.

In today's polarized political debate, too many politicians speak of taxes as a cost that businesses should seek to avoid, or worse, as a cost that strangles and threatens the very future of business. In fact, my business and businesses generally have gotten a very good return on our tax dollars.

We need to invest more in basic research to plant the seeds

for the next inventions that will change our lives in ways we can't presently imagine. We need to invest in science and math education so our children have the tools to become the engineers, entrepreneurs and job creators of the next generation. U.S. students used to lead the world in these important subjects, but continuing budget cutbacks and teacher layoffs have left us falling behind our international competitors.

Investments in science and math education now will pay dividends later for companies like mine because we will have a broader pool of job candidates to hire. Tax dollars were a vital component in our past innovations and have modernized infrastructure and fostered economic success. Tax dollars remain a vital component of our economy today.

Unfortunately, we've been laying off people in very important jobs like police and teachers, and letting our roads, bridges and schools fall apart, to help pay

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In 'walk back' or 'double down' a see-through Mitt

There apparently are some language mavens whose responsibility it is to hand down to lesser lights which expression(s) have been duly sanctified by them as hip new additions to the jargon. We've been regaled ad nauseam, in the current election cycle, with two particular creations perhaps intended primarily for the argot of the political class. Expect a lot more about who opted to "double down" on whatever or to "walk back" something that didn't quite go as planned. In the political acrobatics of candidate Romney so far in this campaign we've had a more than ample helping of both. His churlish swipe at PBS, for instance, during the first presidential debate invites speculation as to how any blowback from that shamelessly conservative-placating cheap shot will get Romney into a walking back or doubling down frame.

Walking back stuff is something Romney must think he masters, so often has he done the routine. Presented with an unexpected gift during the debate, of his preposterous comment about writing off 47 percent of the electorate not being raised at all, he evidently decided to go the "preemptive strike" route

and addressed the issue during an interview in the immediate post-debate period. People say all kinds of things during a campaign, he said, so please file under the category of offbeat utterances his dismissing those 47 percent as loafers, manipulators of the government handout syndrome, etc. In truth, he said, he was always a 100 percent man. No kidding. And that child's play pivot line was delivered in such matter-of-fact fashion, the gullible could be conned into forgetting that the only reason the walk back attempt was happening at all was that video evidence had surfaced of Romney giving the 47 percent spiel to his bunch of like-minded filthy rich partisans.

Romney could do that walk back without let-up till Election morning, it would be the same kettle of fish. The man was in his element rapping to his fat-cat audience in the video and railing against a sector with whom he has nothing in common and for whom, accordingly, there is zero sensitivity. The patronizing nonsense he spouted about liking Big Bird and hapless debate moderator Jim Lehrer but being determined anyway to end the minuscule PBS subsidy, was

Viewpoint

By Les Slater

a classic reminder of how much that 100 percent talk coming from him is all twaddle. Billions in subsidies to huge oil companies, not a problem. Relative chump change to an institution that has dared to offer qualitative TV fare (including ground-breaking educational kids' programming) amid a wasteland of commercial trash, not on my watch!

Back in Romney's desperation phase of the campaign (and who is to say that doesn't still exist?), he was again thrown into walk back mode after the killing of American diplomatic personnel in Libya produced from him a thoughtless, crappy, blame-Obama pronouncement he thought would score political points. Taking a pounding even from fellow Republicans for his shoot-from-the-lips outburst, Romney found himself, one more time, quickly trying to reverse course.

He even walked back some of the shrillness he favored in labeling

Obama health care reform dead in the water were he to occupy the White House, ultimately conceding there were parts of the law he thought much needed. In the course of which concession (Surprise, Surprise!) he got into a walk back of sorts from the healthy distance he has expediently maintained from his Massachusetts gubernatorial tenure.

His double down episodes have been no less striking. He accused Obama during the debate of thinking if he said something often enough about the Romney tax proposal that Romney claimed to be incorrect, it would somehow become factual. A ruse with which Romney is himself apparently quite familiar, seeing that he has insisted and continues to insist that the president's bailout of the auto industry was ill-advised government policy, that the bailout, if undertaken at all, should have come from the financial sector – even in the face of the great success of that move and in spite of everyone knowing what shape Wall Street was in at that point.

Notably, he has doubled down as well on his contention of the administration's plans to cut \$716

billion from Medicare...in spite of independent, non-partisan analysis declaring the claim unfounded. His persisting with that line provides a good read on the Romney gumption, pertaining as it does to Medicare, an area in which the Romney-Ryan camp has long been seen as the heavies, with talk of such toxic solutions as a voucher system that seems to have appeal for precious few.

When folks rightly berate President Obama for his inexplicably lackluster debate performance, it is for the \$716 billion Medicare fallacy, for the 47 percent of the voting public summarily dismissed and all else for which the president failed to knock Romney clear from the position of righteous superiority to which Romney somehow felt himself entitled. It will probably remain one of the great incongruities of the presidential debate stage over time that such an unmistakably see-through composite as this year's Republican challenger – nylon all the way – could be robotically made (or allowed) to look something altogether different. It is of course up to the president to ensure that that charade's shelf life is now kaput.

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Pan master Andre White

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2008. To my mind Andre is a genius and the band and me personally have learned a lot from him and will continue to do so."

Indeed, White is one of the brightest stars of a youth movement in pan and made history in 2008 as the youngest steelband arranger to win Brooklyn Panorama. He is also

acclaimed for attracting younger musicians to the Long Island band. Adlibs Steel Orchestra boasts a membership 90 players strong mostly under the age of eighteen.

The energy and exuberance of Adlibs Steel Orchestra was on full display recently at the 2012 Brooklyn Panorama where White's arrangement of

'Baddist' expertly balanced youthful enthusiasm with the craftsmanship of a seasoned musician. White has an encyclopedic memory of the history and arrangements of Panorama tunes. However, he makes no apologies for his strong desire to use current popular hits as he continues to push the limits of steelband arranging. "People want to hear popular music, and the pan arrangers and players need to give that to them. I don't think

we should look for songs that sound like Kitchener and others of the 90s and 80s. We're not living in the 90s and 80s."

What does the future hold for Andre White? For starters, those in the New York area will likely see his work continue with Adlibs. "Adlibs is home for me" said White, who will also return to Mangrove in 2013.

Pan lovers can also catch White performing in jazz venues throughout the New York and Boston area.

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for a decade's worth of tax cuts for our nation's most affluent households. To justify continuing that harmful policy, tax cut defenders claim that letting the Bush-era tax cuts expire for income above \$250,000 will hurt our nation's small businesses. That's ridiculous.

Fewer than three percent of tax returns listing business income

have taxable income over \$250,000, and many of these fortunate taxpayers are Wall Street investment partners, lawyers and large company CEOs earning income from service on corporate boards or renting out their vacation homes – not the picture of small businesses most of us hold. Indeed, only the richest 2 percent of Americans have any income above \$250,000,

and everyone would keep tax cuts on their first \$250,000.

Contrary to what tax cut defenders claim, job creation is driven by customer demand, not taxes. Businesses don't pay taxes on their total revenues; they pay taxes on their income after deducting expenses like the cost of hiring and paying employees.

My business would be hurt far more by allowing the tax cuts for America's most fortunate to continue and instead slashing budgets for things

like public education, research and infrastructure to pay for them.

The taxes we pay, wisely invested in education, infrastructure and new research, are the down payments on our future success.

Josh Knauer is president and CEO of Rhiza Labs, a Pittsburgh-based software company. This op-ed previously appeared in the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette.

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LETTER

Hotline for domestic workers to protect their rights

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housekeepers, and caregivers of their rights so they can get what's rightfully theirs.

In New York, there are laws in place that protect workers, but nobody knows about it. According to one recent survey, 60 percent of employers in Park Slope, Brooklyn, were in violation of the law. That's why it's more important than ever for domestic workers to know their rights and collect benefits that could be worth thousands of dollars.

Here is the link: <http://www.rev-it.org/projects/newday.htm> You may listen to the hotline online through that link, which tells the story about workers who are getting informed about their rights and empowered by the availability of information on minimum wage, overtime, and vacation; or call the hotline at (646) 699-3989 for more information.

Warmest Regards,
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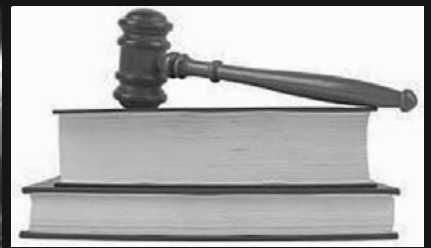


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Trinidad

Trinidad and Tobago Finance Minister Lara Howai presented the largest budget of TT\$58.405 billion in Parliament last week.

The budget, whose theme was "Stimulating Growth, Generating Prosperity" was described by Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar as a "people's budget," since there were no new taxes for the fiscal year 2012/2013.



The only price increase was that of premium gas, which has gone up from TT\$4 to \$5.75 per liter but super gasoline remains untouched.

Howai said revenue initiatives would include "reform" of the land and building tax regime "during the course of the next fiscal year" and "a comprehensive review of the entire tax system," but gave no details.

He also announced a "rigorous review" of the social welfare programs "with a view of assisting comprehensively and cost effectively the differently-abled, senior citizens, single mothers and children and others in need of assistance.

He said that while the budget continues to be in deficit to the tune of over TT\$7 billion in 2012, the public sector debt to GDP (Gross Domestic Product) was stable and foreign direct investment continued to be buoyant and the country's investment rating agencies confirmed these favorable assessments.

The budget is predicated on an oil price of US\$80 a barrel and gas price of US\$2.75 mcf. Revenue is estimated at TT\$50.736 billion - \$20 billion from oil revenue and \$30.6 billion from non-oil revenue.

Among some of the measures in the budget are disability grant up to \$1,500, Special Reserve Police officers to receive

\$1,000 allowance, maternity leave now 14 weeks, tax break on CCTV cameras, increase tax on casinos and housing relief.

The Ministry of National Security received the second largest allocation of \$5.503.7 billion with education heading the list with \$9,149.1 billion.

Trinidad

Fired Justice Minister Herbert Volney said he was shocked to hear on local television that Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar had given him the boot although he had offered his resignation.

"I was thrown to the wolves with her (Persad-Bissessar) speech and it bore no reflection to our meeting that we had about an hour before her speech. It was very hurtful," he said.

Volney who has been at the center of a raging controversy over the proclamation of Section 34 of the Administration of Justice (Indictable Proceedings) Act 2011, (which can see accused people waiting for more than 10 years to have their cases heard to go free), said he was no liar and in fact was the sacrificial lamb to quell the public outrage over the proclamation Section 34.



Parliament moved swiftly recently to repeal the section.

Prime Minister Persad-Bissessar laid the blame for the fiasco squarely on Volney, saying he had misled the Cabinet when asked whether he consulted with the chief justice and the director of Public Prosecutions on the particular section.

Volney said there were others such as the DPP Roger Gaspard, Attorney General Anand Ramlogan and Legal Affairs Minister Prakash Ramadhar to blame for remaining silent on Section 34 as they had every opportunity to voice concerns.

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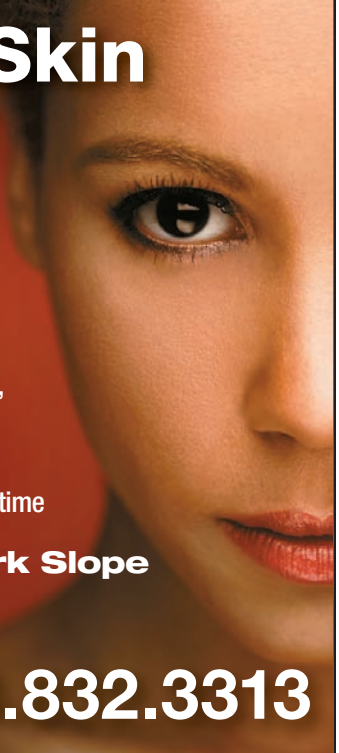
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Road to work for former prisoners

In an exciting and highly informative panel discussion at the Brooklyn Public Library, the Center for NuLeadership on Urban Solutions (CNUS) presented "Civic Restoration: A Road to Workforce Development for Formerly Incarcerated People" on Sept. 14, 2012. Civic Restoration is the central feature of Project ReNu, an innovative program of CNUS that helps individuals with criminal histories repair their records and obtain state issued Certificates of Rehabilitation that restore civil, economic and political rights often lost as a result of the conviction. The discussion brought together senior managers of various city and state government agencies responsible for providing social services for work force development, assistance for receiving the certificate, and information on the benefits of acquiring the certificate.

The Civic Restoration forum, the first of a series of community discussions to be held in each borough, featured Glenn E. Martin,



From left, Project Consultant Jaael Cudjoe, Development Associate Camille S. Britton, Field Coordinator Chino Hardin and Program Coordinator Eloni Blake.

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Vice President of Development and Public Affairs, Fortune Society; Clinton Lacey, Deputy Commissioner, NYC Department of Probation; Dr. Vanda Seward, Statewide director of Reentry Services, New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision; Latrice M. Walker, Esq, legislative counsel, Congresswoman Yvette Clarke's Office; Karen Armstrong, assistant commissioner, NYC Department of

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WBAI Radio talk show host Eddie Ellis, president of the Center for NuLeadership. A second forum, in cooperation with Borough President Scott Stringer, is planned for Manhattan.

The program opened with the screening of "From Criminal Justice to Human Justice," a short introductory film, produced by RFS Wolf Entertainment Productions, detailing the Center's evolution from criminal justice reformers to human justice activists. It was followed by an enthusiastic welcome by CNUS executive director Dr. Divine Pryor and an outline of the day by Kyung ji (Kate) Rhee, director of Juvenile Justice for the Center. Dr. Pryor explained the mission, programs and successes of the Center for NuLeadership for achieving reduced reliance on incarceration as a solution for social and economic problems in under-served urban communities.

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Guyanese asked to share skills for development

Guyana's President Donald Ramotar called on a packed room of nationals in the New York Marriott Hotel recently, to share their skills to develop their homeland, during his address to launch the Guyana Diaspora (GUYD) Project, under the theme "Lets Build Guyana Together."

"New York is home to the largest concentration of Guyanese abroad, so there is no better place to launch this project than in New York, New York," said Romotar who asserted that the Diaspora is becoming increasingly pivotal to the development of "our country."

Ramotar thanked William Lacy Swig, director general of the International Organization for Migrations with whom the government of Guyana is collaborating, Guyana's Minister of Foreign Affairs Carolyn Rodrigues-Birkett, Ambassador Bayney Karran and Consul General Evans, before welcoming expatriates to the launch.

"I have the honor of welcoming you to the "Guyana Diaspora Project. Guyanese overseas would like to give back and would like to

know how to go about doing so," said the president.

The Guyana government he continued always had a policy in place to make use of the good will, skills, and human and material resources in the Diaspora to further Guyana's natural development. What is lacking thus far he noted, is the mechanism by which the resources could be married to Guyana's priority.

"The Diaspora Project is a structured way for natives to share their ideas and skills. This information will be entered into a database and be readily available when expertise is needed for vital projects," he added.

Stating that migration in the past was referred to as a 'brain-drain' Ramotar explained that this is no longer the case due to modern technology that has kept expatriates connected to their families, and their country's development.

"Guyanese have clearly not forgotten their homeland because every where I've visited, citizens have offered their assistance. And even though at times I didn't



Speakers from left are William Lacy Swig, director general of the International Organization for Migration (IOM), President Donald Ramotar, Carolyn Rodrigues-Birkett, Guyana's foreign affairs minister and Brentnold Evans, consul general of New York.

Photo by Tangerine Clarke

immediately know exactly where to use these skills, they are definitely needed to boost the public and private sectors," said the president.

He identified the Guyana Sugar Company as one such entity that was in need of skilled help to maintain its Skeldon factory so that it could function at its full potential.

"Some of you have reached the top of your professions, and have travelled the world and acquired knowledge. These are the skills from which we would benefit enormously," said President Ramotar.

The head of state is depending on a new prospective from the overseas Guyanese that he said would detract from the country's troublesome politics.

"Because you are in America you will bring a more objective approach to moving our country forward," he added

The president admitted that some reports in the press about corruption in Guyana were true, and planned to fight it. However, issues of corrupt road projects were unjust, said Ramotar who blamed mediocre work on unskilled contractors.

Decision reserved

The Trinidad-based Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) has reserved its decision on the application by the Jamaica government to join the case of Shanique Myrie, who accused Barbados immigration officials of sexually assaulting her more than a year ago.

Jamaica's application to intervene in the case was heard recently by a three-member panel of judges headed by CCJ president Sir Charles Byron via video link.

The application was made by Dr. Kathy-Ann Brown, deputy solicitor general and O'Neil Francis, crown counsel from the Attorney General's Office. The lawyers argued that the application was made to protect the interest of the Jamaican people under the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas that governs the 15-member Caribbean Community (CARICOM) grouping.

Myrie claimed she was sexually assaulted by Barbadian officials when she arrived at Grantley Adams International Airport on March 14 last year. She said she was also subjected to forceful and brutish language by officials at the airport when she arrived.

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Career college vs. traditional college?

Each person has his own motivations for deciding to go to college, but putting himself in a better position to get a job after graduation is usually one of them. For career colleges, this factor is foremost in how they prepare their students for the careers upon graduation.

Traditional universities and career colleges each share the goal of educating students and preparing them for life after college, but the college experience can vary greatly between the two. Traditional universities often focus on giving students a broader educational experience developing skills like research and analysis that may be used in a variety of career fields.



Career colleges tend to focus more on hands-on training in fields like healthcare and technology, which demand a specific set of skills.

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Some may know career

colleges as vocational, tech, or trade schools, and these days they have expanded to include many more careers than in the past. In addition to the traditional trades,

career colleges focus on graphic design, technology, business, and healthcare professions. They also offer flexible program schedules for students who work full time and want to advance their careers with new skills.

“Everything we do is focused on preparing students for the career path they have chosen, and we structure the programs to give them skills they need to be successful on the job,” says John Keim, chief academic officer of Westwood College, which offers 35 career-focused degree programs across its 14 campuses.

If you’re thinking about enrolling in college, have a career in mind and excel in a hands-on learning environment, a career college might be a good option for you. Here are a few points of distinction that make career colleges different from traditional universities:

- Curriculum designed to meet specific needs of employers. Programs offered by career colleges focus on specific tasks you will need to accomplish in your field of training. The goal of most career colleges is to have you ready to hit the ground running once you graduate, and they work with employers when developing their courses to make that happen.
- Hands-on training. Much of the curriculum of a career college will be spent focusing on actual tasks that will need to be completed on the job, as opposed to only textbooks and lectures.

“Obtaining a degree from Westwood prepares you for what you will be asked to do in your career on day one,” says Keim. “We do that by using a hands-on, experiential teaching approach — as opposed to the lecture-based approach.”

To learn more about career colleges, visit the AS-PCU.org.



Certain careers may not require a degree from a four-year college or university, while others insist on a college degree.

Deciding between trade schools or traditional colleges

Today’s high schoolers face mounting pressure with respect to their futures. Even high school graduates who did not immediately go to college after graduating face difficult decisions about their futures.

For many facing such a decision, the process often involves finding the right college. However, options don’t have to be limited to colleges and universities. Trade schools can prepare young people, or even professionals looking to make a change, for lucrative and fulfilling careers. When deciding between a trade school and traditional college, there are a few things to consider to ensure whatever decision is made is the right one.

- Goals: Career goals differ for everyone. While some pursue a career simply because it can pay well, others seek careers that may reward them in other ways. When deciding between a trade school or traditional university, consider any career goals. If certain goals bear significant importance, determine the best route by which to achieve them, be it through a trade school or college or university.

- Individual skills: Individual skills can also play a significant role when determining if a trade school or traditional uni-

versity is the best choice. Prospective students who are mechanically inclined and love working on automobiles might be better suited to an automotive trade school, while those who excel in cooking arts and don’t know an engine from an onion might be more suited for a culinary school. Individuals who honestly assess their strengths and weaknesses will likely find this can lend much to their decision-making process.

- Educational interests: Those who would love to learn about a variety of subjects are probably better suited for a traditional college or university. Others with a more specific interest in a given field of study might find it hard to get motivated or stay interested when studying at a four-year college or university.

- Requirements: Not all careers require a degree from a four-year college or university. Individuals should research what level of education is necessary to be successful in any fields that may interest them. If a given career does not require a four-year degree, there’s no sense spending such a substantial amount of money on a degree that won’t help him or her land a job.

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Choosing a college is no easy task. It's a decision that will lay the groundwork for your career, and college is one of the biggest financial investments you'll ever make. Figuring out your own learning style and picking a school that plays to those strengths is one of the biggest keys to your educational success.

John Keim, Provost and Chief Academic Officer for Westwood College School of Technology, shares questions students should answer before choosing a school:

Do you do well in a lecture setting or are you more of a hands-on learner?

Once you answer this question, determine which style of learning is used most at the colleges you are considering. For example, a large liberal arts university might be heavy in lectures, but a career-focused tech school might focus on hands-on learning.

Do you favor abstract thinking or solving problems in a direct manner?

If you enjoy creative writing and topics likes political science, religion, or history, where there tends to be more than one way to answer a question, you're more of an abstract learner. If you enjoy math or computer programming, where there are right and wrong ways to solve a problem, you prefer a more empirical and pragmatic method of learning.

Would you consider yourself a non-



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traditional learner?

If you've found success in classes that wouldn't be considered traditional, such as projects-based as opposed to traditional lecture-based classes, you may do well to find a college that offers classes that cater to students with non-traditional needs.

Do you already know what type of career you would like to pursue?

If you do, you may want to consider a career-focused college that will give you the specific training to succeed in your chosen career. If you're undecided or have multiple interests, a liberal arts education might be more appropriate.



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Breast cancer prevention

By Susan Beane, M.D.

Even with new advances in cancer screenings and detection, women in the United States are being afflicted by breast cancer at alarming rates. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), over 200,000 women were diagnosed with breast cancer in 2008 with over 40,000 dying of the disease¹. The American Cancer Society estimates close to the same numbers for 2012.

As we observe National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October, it is a good time to remind women over the age of 40 to schedule an annual mammogram with your physician and make it a routine part of your annual gynecological exam. For women 20-39, a clinical breast exam every three years is suggested, as well as self-examination. (3)

Though risk factors including age, family history of the disease, hormonal and other clinical fac-

tors play a major part in an individual developing the disease, there are a number of measures you can take to help prevent breast cancer.

For instance, a simple change in diet to one rich in plant-based foods, particularly fruits and vegetables, helps to reduce obesity, a physical state that usually increases the risk of postmenopausal breast cancer. The DASH diet (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension), initially developed by the U.S. National Institutes of Health to lower blood pressure without medication, has recently been linked to decreasing breast cancer due to its emphasis on fruits and vegetables with a recommended four to five servings per day. (4)

Experts also recommend an active lifestyle with daily exercise, something as simple as walking, can help

maintain a healthy weight. In addition, limiting alcohol consumption and refraining from tobacco usage are key steps to battling the risk of breast cancer.

Although breast cancer is perceived as a woman's disease, men are diagnosed with it as well but at much lower rates. Even though breast cancer is 100 times more common in women than men, the same precautionary measures for a healthy diet and active lifestyle are encouraged for men. (5)

Raising awareness and increasing education about breast cancer is a surefire way to help fight the spread of the disease. Please ask your physician questions and have an open dialogue about any concerns you may have. There is still much more research to be done to find a cure but taking

charge of your own breast health is an important first step.

Dr. Beane is vice president and medical director at Healthfirst. For more tips on leading a healthier lifestyle, visit the Healthfirst Healthy Living website at www.hfhealthyliving.com.

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Jamaican musician Peter Tosh, a founding member of the Wailers, being interviewed in Los Angeles, Ca., Feb. 1979. AP Photo

Finally! Tosh gets first national honor

By Vinette K. Pryce

Quarter of a century after his death, Peter Tosh will be conferred his first national honor in Jamaica.

Born Winston Hubert McIntosh, the co-founder of Tuff Gong Records and

the world's best-known reggae group -- Bob Marley & The Wailers -- will be lauded during a ceremony slated for Oct. 12, National Heroes Day.

Tosh with Neville "Bunny" Livingston and Marley were teenagers when they banded to entertain Jamaicans.

Their talent transcended the small Trench Town, Kingston community to reach a global audience that embraces their style and message.

Although the trio disbanded, individually each member left an indelible impression on the world.

Tosh's posthumous honor will declare the Wailer recipient of the Order of Merit (OM), the nation's third highest.

"The Order of Merit is the third highest honor and may be conferred upon any citizen of Jamaica who has achieved eminent international distinction in his or her field of endeavor," a statement from the Jamaica information Service stated.

Tosh died Sept. 11, 1987 at age 42 during a burglary and tragic shooting at his home.

Since his death, he has been awarded numerous accolades including the music industry's highest honor, a posthumous Grammy award. However, this national acknowledgment marks the first from his birth island.

Announced during the 50th anniversary of independence celebrations last August, Tosh's belated achievement will be celebrated in concert and a symposium at The University of the West Indies on Oct. 19.

"For the government to identify him with the OM, shows he's getting there when it comes to respect," Andrew Tosh said.

The musician said he believes the OM is a sign his father is finally being accepted in his homeland.

Among the entertainers

confirmed for the show are: Junior Reid, The Mighty Diamonds, Marley's son Kyan-Mani and Marcia Griffiths, a member of the I-Three, the backup singer for Bob Marley's group,

Reportedly, a movie about the controversial and very outspoken musician/singer is in the works. Allegedly, it will be directed by longtime associate and reggae music lover Lee Jaffe along with Kevin MacDonald who earlier this year released "Marley" a film which celebrates the Rastafarian icon.

Marley was the first of the trio to receive a national honor. Prior to his death, the singer was conferred with the Order of Merit, April 1981. Neville "Bunny" Livingston was among 10 individuals named to be presented with the nation's fifth highest award, the Order of Jamaica, (OJ). The only surviving member of the Wailers was previously awarded, the fourth highest honor, the Order of Distinction (OD).

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American Friends of Jamaica are again hosting their annual fundraising event to help disfranchised citizens living on the Caribbean island. The organization founded by former U.S. ambassadors to the island and other diplomats has been hosting these special money-raising events for more than three decades. In addition, they have also annually spotlighted the good deeds of a significant individual and presented him/her with a tangible honor they named the Hummingbird Award.

This year, the award will go to Dave Barger, president and chief executive officer, Jet Blue Airways. Barger will be honored for international achievement.

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Protecting U.S. corporations' investments in Africa

The African Union New York Office hosted the MIGA - World Bank's Finance Guarantee for Africa conference arranged by The Allied African Nations Chamber of Commerce's President Anthony Adjasse on July 25, 2012. The conference featured a power point presentation by the World Bank's Global Head of Business Strategy and Client Development Ms. Ileana Boza, from the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (known as MIGA) of the World Bank Group.

The presentation provided U.S. corporation officials with the investment protection information needed to finally be able to capitalize on the multiple financial benefits that Africa has to offer. Up until now, corporations were hesitant to explore expanding their organizations into the African Region, fearing a loss of their investment and the potential dishonoring of African governmental contracts through a change in government or other detrimental conditions affecting African governmental stability. As they learned, through the MIGA program presentation, that former worry is a thing of the past.

The program commenced with greetings from the New York City African Union Chairperson Jean-Francois R.



Top row from left, Kim E. Fuller and conference attendees. Bottom row from left, - attendee, Anthony Adjasse, Ileana Boza, Gail Marie Scott and other attendees.

Photo by Tracey Noel-Fuller

Zinsou, ambassador of the Republic of Benin. The introduction of Trustees followed, individually citing President / CEO Anthony Adjasse, COO - Kim E. Fuller and finally AANCC's Director of International Marketing and Communication Gailmarie Scott. Fellow trustee member James Young mayor of the city of Philadelphia, Mississippi was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict.

Conference attendees were introduced to two of the original founding diplomatic corps members, out of five

consulates that were responsible for the initial forming of the chamber, initiated by them on Jan. 18, 2007. The two were the Commercial Counselor of Zambia Ms. Irene Tembo and Counselor of Madagascar Ms. Lila Andrianatoandro.

Immediately following the introductions, the World Bank power point presentation from Ms. Boza (which would prove to become a major positive turning point for Investment in Africa would begin), followed by a question and answer session between the attendees and

the MIGA - World Bank.

After the question and answer session, one of the original chamber founders - Madagascar's Counsellor - Ms. Lila reiterated that the chamber was created to perform the preliminary work and certify corporations for the original 17-member states, prior to those corporations being considered proficient, as well as capable to advance to the next step in dealing with their governmental officials, and stated that the same would apply to the additional 18 countries scheduled for induction

into the chamber in the near future. The chamber's official website was presented to all attendees as <http://www.africanationschamber.com/>.

The conference concluded with a catered lunch and cocktails. The chambers official P.R. firm was identified and acknowledged for promoting the Chamber from day one by President Adjasse, as The Multi - Cultural Media Alliance, headed by founding senior partner William "Bill" McCreary, founding managing partner Kim E. Fuller, managing partners Robert "Godzilla" Smith, Erick Alexander and firm photographer Tracey Noel - Fuller. Following this event, chamber officials were invited to attend the Seventh Annual ATA (African Tourism Association) Presidential Forum on Tourism, which was held on Sept. 27 in N.Y.C. Some of the African dignitaries in attendance were as follows: Dr. Boni Yayi, president of The Republic of Benin, Fatou Mas Jobe Njie minister of Tourism and Culture, Gambia, Walter Mzembe minister of Tourism, Zimbabwe and Amina Ali, ambassador extraordinary & plenipotentiary, African Union Permanent Representative to the U.S.A. The conference was attended by Chamber CEO Anthony Adjasse and COO Kim Fuller.

Chamber Induction Ceremony Of 18 New Countries Coming Up In Nov. 2012

The upcoming induction ceremony of 18 new countries is scheduled for Nov. 29, 2012. The countries scheduled to be inducted are the following: Botswana, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Djibouti, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Guinea - Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Malawi, Mauritius, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger and Tanzania. These countries will be welcomed into the chamber by the following original 17 founding member countries, which are as follows: from the West African Region - Benin, Burkina Faso, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone EAST/ Central African Region - Rwanda, Uganda South African Region - Angola, Madagascar, Namibia, South Africa and Zambia.

American corporations interested to do business with Africa will be required to sign Non Circumvention agreements. To learn the specifics regarding this upcoming event, contact the following number (347) 339 - 3742 or email the chamber at kimfuller417@rocketmail.com or info@africanationschamber.com *Courtesy of Kim Fuller*

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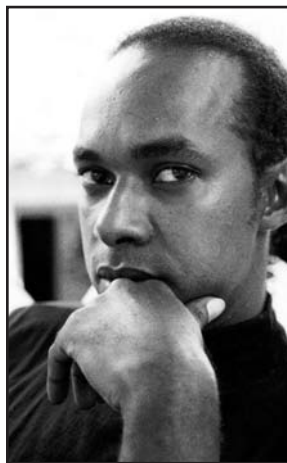
Cultural extravaganza in Dominica

By Tangerine Clarke

All roads lead to the breathtaking island of Dominica in the Lesser Antilles for the first unique cultural extravaganza that will bring together neighboring island Martinique, for seven days of art, music, a costume exhibition, folklore, dance and an international night, set to take place from Oct. 22 to 28.

Martinique producer, Romeo Sae of Dominica Unlimited is excited to present "Belya Karibyann" under the theme - Divided By Water Together By Culture - in the "Dominica UNLtd City Yard," downtown Dominica, where the center piece is a 100-year-old mango tree.

Some of the entertainers will include Karina Cultural Group, Bamda De Quatro and Grupo de Baile from Venezuela, the Rara Music



Romeo Sae.

Band, and Caribbean traditional Singing Ladies from Dominica, and Martinique & Ayti.

The jubilee will also pay tribute to the first inhabitants with a costume and Creole night, costume competition, drumming, singing


and open stage dancing.

Sae explained this first presentation is aimed at fostering togetherness among the Caribbean countries in the region. Dominica wanted to highlight its rich cultural heritage, but I wanted to create a cultural bond within the region.

"I do believe that being together in culture, we would get to know each other better and love and respect each other as one in the world.


Sae expressed his thanks to Raymond Lawrence and Gregory Rabess of the Department of Culture, Cecil Joseph, mayor of Roseau, Tribute to Haiti, 1st Caribbean and Black Republic - "Koumbit Tanbou An Laria."

For more information, contact Romeo Sae at romeo.sae@gmail.com or dominica.unltd@gmail.com



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Guyana teen executed in public

By Vinette K. Pryce

The 32nd annual International Reggae & World Music Award (IRAWMA) will return to South Florida on May 4, 2013.

According to founder Ephraim Martin, its return marks the fifth outing in the southern state for the awards ceremony during its 26-year-history. He added that it is by "special request

and popular demand," that the decision was made to host the awards at the Coral Springs Center for the Arts in Fort Lauderdale. IRAWMA first visited the state in 1987. Held at Studio 183 in Carol City, the occasion marked the 6th showcase of the awards ceremony. The following year was a banner year at the same location.

Four years later, the pres-

entation returned for two more consecutive years at the Sunrise Music Theater. Since then the gala awards has been presented throughout the nation - eight times in New York and in two international locations - Jamaica and Trinidad & Tobago. Special early bird tickets are now on sale. For more information, visit www.irawma.com

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Get ready for 'Motown The Musical'

Motown is coming to midtown.

Glamorized, souped-up and ready to go, the Manhattan arrival is not a show about cars but a salute to the motor city and Berry Gordy, its most accomplished record label founder. Spotlighting the music that shattered barriers and shaped lives, "Motown The Musical" is slated to premiere at the Lunt-Fontanne Theater on April 14, 2013.

Top-heavy with original music from Detroit, a sneak preview of the season's most highly anticipated world-premiere event attracted A-listers and insiders invited for a first glimpse of the production.

Detroit's most-famous daughter Aretha Franklin joined Gordy, Claudette Robinson, former backup singer with the Miracles; Otis Williams, original member of The Temptations, Clive Davis and Doug Morris, record company moguls, songwriters William "Smokey" Robinson,



Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

Lamont Dozier, Brian Holland, and Valerie Simpson, producer Suzanne DePasse, dancer/choreographer Debbie Allen, Rev. Jesse Jackson, former LaBelle singer Nona Hendrix, music manager Vickie Wickham, Rhonda, Gordy's daughter with Diana Ross and entertainment insiders to get a first night preview of the musical based on Gordy's book "To Be Loved."

The first authentic production to showcase the rise of Detroit's most acclaimed record company stars Brandon Victor Dixon and Valisia LeKae as Gordy and Diana Ross.

Already, both are being touted as 'discoveries' destined for major stardom.

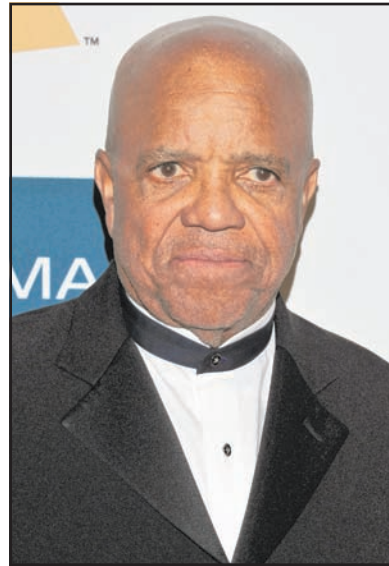
On her first outing before a critical crowd, LeKae won raves.

She channels the Boss and struts a Diva personality only an opera star could rival.

With just a snippet of her portrayal of the label's best-known female, Ross' real life daughter Rhonda led a standing ovation to a rousing approval of the Supreme character.

The stage production combines the use of footage from the documentary of the same name with dancers and singers to choreograph a biographical salute to the insightful and talented music innovator.

While the musical spotlights Gordy and the galaxy he created in the middle of America, the show also reminisces the period of Jim Crow when Blacks endured racism and discrimination in the south during the



Motown Records founder Berry Gordy Jr.
AP Photo/Vince Buccia

struggle for Civil Rights.

"Broadway has never seen anything like this," producer Kevin McCollum said.

And while there are back and side-stories to this presentation, audiences will leave singing the praises

of Motown and Gordy.

"It's thrilling to bring together the musical legacy of Berry Gordy" and Broadway to tell the gripping story behind the hits Robinson made after finding his unique voice and watching Diana skyrocket to stardom.

Robinson auditioned as a singer and after being hired emerged one of the label's principal songwriters.

The hits he wrote for the Temptations, Four Tops, Diana

Ross & The Supremes, Martha & The Vandellas, Marvin Gaye, Tammi Tyrell and others placed him in a special relationship where they partnered and saw the label skyrocket to the top.

To see Berry fight against the odds that turned his

improbable dream into a triumphant reality is nothing short of spectacular.

As the biographic storyline goes, on January 12, 1959 a young African-American songwriter named Berry Gordy founded Tamla Records in Detroit with a loan of \$800 from his family, marking the birth of the "Motown Records Corporation."

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The concert will feature

guest conductor Guido López-Gavilán leading the orchestra in George Gershwin's "Cuban Overture" and "Rhapsody in Blue," with piano soloist Ignacio "Nachito" Herrera. The orchestra will also perform such internationally known works as Ernesto Lecuona's "Malagueña." The program will conclude with Beethoven's "Symphony No. 5."

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THE MESSENGER RETURNS

Luciano.

Photo courtesy of CPR Reggae

Multi-media drumming, rituals at Nazareth H.S.

By Kingsley Doyle

The 8th annual Reggae Culture Salute Saturday, Nov. 3, will celebrate the return of "The Messenjah" Luciano for his third appearance starting at 8:30 p.m. at Nazareth Regional High School Performance Center.

This year's multimedia event featuring Nyahbinghi drumming and rituals, video presentations and live

roots reggae performances, also will present Mr. Vegas paying tribute to Jamaica's golden jubilee and diverse variations on the message theme from CPR member artists Ossie Dellimore, Tayazawan, Major Daps, Tony Rankin, Sister Cindy and Major One.

For his years of consistently delivering an "upful" message, Luciano will receive the CPR Pinnacle Award

of Excellence. Other awardees and performers will be announced in the coming weeks.

Reggae Culture Salute is a family-friendly event staged each year to honor the coronation of Emperor Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen of Ethiopia. This year marks the 82nd anniversary of the rare joint coronation which took place on Nov.

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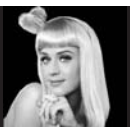
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Justin Bieber Feat. Big Sean
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Fun.
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Katy Perry

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Lehman welcomes Cuban orchestra

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CUNY at 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West, Bronx, N.Y. Tickets for the National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2012 at 8:00 p.m. can be purchased by calling the Lehman Center box office at 718.960.8833 (Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. and beginning at 12 noon on the day of the concert), or through 24-hour online access at www.LehmanCenter.org. Lehman Center is accessible by #4 or D train to Bedford Park Blvd. and is off the Saw Mill River Parkway and the Major Deegan Expressway. Lowest on-site parking is available.

Special discounts are built into Lehman's concert series. "Create your own Series" offers a 10 percent

discount on a minimum of three shows, or a 20 percent discount for six or more shows. Plus special \$10 tickets for any seat are available for selected shows for children 12 and under. Senior discounts also apply. Becoming a 32nd Season's Friend of Lehman Center by making a tax-deductible donation will help the Center bring in major artists at affordable ticket prices. Visit www.LehmanCenter.org for more information.

The National Orchestra of Cuba, which began in 1960 as the Havana Symphony, has been instrumental in developing and introducing Cuban and Latin American music to the international classical music community. In addition, the orches-

tra performs a vast symphonic and chamber repertoire ranging from baroque to contemporary music. International tours have taken the orchestra to Russia, Poland, Yugoslavia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Spain, Peru and Argentina.

Among the more than 100 guest conductors who have led the orchestra include Sir Thomas Beecham, Sergiu Celibidache, Pierre Monteaux, Charles Munch, Eugene Ormandy, Wilhelm Steinberg, Leopold Stokowski, Igor Stravinsky, Heitor Villa-Lobos and Bruno Walter. Acclaimed international soloists have included Marian Anderson, Claudio Arrau, Jorge Bolet, Jose Carreras, Jascha Heifetz, Nathan Milstein, Ruggiero Ricci, Mstislav Ros-

tropovich Arthur Rubinstein, Andres Segovia and Isaac Stern.

Ignacio "Nachito" Herrera, piano soloist, stunned Cuban audiences at the age of twelve, performing Rachmaninoff's "Concerto No. 2" with the Havana Symphony Orchestra. In the late 1990s, Nachito joined the famed ¡Cubanismo! as its lead pianist, arranger, and musical director, performing at many of the world's finest concert halls and prestigious festivals. In 2009, Herrera toured as a member of the Afro Cuban All Stars. His love of classical music quickly combined with traditional Cuban rhythms under the instruction of the Cuban masters-Rubén González, Jorge Gomez Labraña, and Frank Fernández. In his twenties, Nachito became the musical director at the famous Tropicana in Cuba, where he continued to deepen his repertoire.

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2, 1930 with great international fanfare. The event also celebrates the unique relationship between Reggae, Rasta, Selassie and Jamaica -- something Jared McCallister of the NY Daily News pointed out in 2010 when he wrote: "It may be news to some, but reggae music owes a great debt of gratitude to the late Ethiopian Emperor Haile Selassie I."

In a preview of the 2006 staging of Reggae Culture Salute, Ben Sesario of the *New York Times* wrote: "The big reggae concert this fall should be relatively free of the controversy that has dogged so many other recent reggae shows:

'homophobia.'" He called Reggae Culture Salute "a celebration of reggae's old-fashioned family values."

Reggae Culture Salute continues in this tradition as the Coalition to Preserve Reggae Music, presenter of the event strives to raise the bar in reggae music. Reggae Culture Salute is widely recognized for the character, quality and authenticity of the music in its presentations. Reggae Culture Salute is topped with delicious Caribbean Cuisine sponsored by The Door, a marketplace and good vibrations.

As the demand to experience Reggae Culture Salute has gone global, a pay-per-view Internet stream will carry the show live.

For information, call 718-421-6927 or email info@cpreggae.org

Krian Music Group signs Dead Prez

Krian Music Group, a full service independent record label based in New York City, announces the signing of socially conscious and provocative hip-hop duo, Dead Prez. The new album, "Information Age," will be available digitally on Oct. 16, 2012 and slated for a physical release on Jan. 22, 2013.

For over a decade, dead prez have been signed with top independent publishing company, The Royalty Network. When Dead Prez decided to work with a record label, they entrusted their first album in eight years to Krian Music Group, launched in 2011 by Royalty Network Founder, Frank Liwall.

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regularly hosts academic and community events in addition to its yearly schedule of the world's finest music, theatre and dance. Over the past 12 years, the Schimmel Center has served as a founding venue for The River-to-River Festival (2002), hosted both The Tribeca Film Festival and The Tribeca Theatre Festival (2001), provided a headquarters for The National Actors Theatre (2002 to 2004), presented the only Democratic Presidential Debate to present all ten candidates for the 2004 election, and actively hosts James Lipton's award-winning Bravo series Inside the Actors Studio, taped on the Schimmel Theatre's stage since 2005.

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Ticket Info:

Saturday, Oct. 20, 2012 – 7:30 p.m.

Tickets to all events are available for purchase now:

Online at schimmel.pace.edu
By phone via The Ovation Tix Call Center at (866) 811-4111

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Day of Show at The Michael Schimmel Center starting two hours before curtain.

Hit man turns fugitive in time-travel thriller

“Looper”
Excellent (4 stars)
Rated R for profanity, sexuality, nudity, drug use and graphic violence.
Running time: 118 minutes
Distributor: Sony Pictures

By Kam Williams

Dateline: Kansas City, 2042, which is where we find 25-year-old Joseph Simmons (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) gainfully-employed as a novel type of hit man called a “looper.” The grisly line of work basically involves waiting at a designated clearing in a cornfield for the delivery of a blindfolded kidnap victim involuntarily teleported back in time.

As soon as each person spontaneously materializes, Joe blows them away on the spot with a big blunderbuss, before incinerating

the body to eliminate the evidence. This modernistic equivalent of filling cement shoes has become the mob’s preferred method of assassination since loopers can commit the perfect crime by killing people who technically don’t even exist yet.

Despite the great pay, Joe’s job has one major drawback, namely, that he will eventually be expected to close his own loop by shooting his future self (Bruce Willis) dead in the killing field. In the interim, he copes with the prospect of committing suicide via drugs and denial, getting high while making plans to retire to France that ostensibly amount to an exercise in futility.

The moment of truth arrives the fateful day he finally finds himself face-to-face with his 55-year-old alter ego. However, Joe is unable to pull the trigger, a failing which doesn’t sit well with his short-fused boss



This film image released by Sony Pictures shows Joseph Gordon-Levitt in a scene from the action thriller “Looper.”

AP Photo/Sony Pictures Entertainment

(Jeff Daniels) who immediately dispatches an army of thugs to finish off both fugitives.

That is the absorbing premise of *Looper*, a riveting sci-fi thriller directed by Rian Johnson. The

movie marks the third collaboration between him and Joseph Gordon-Levitt, a reteaming lending credence to the age-old maxim: three times a charm.

The picture’s inscrutable script is as confounding as Chris Nolan’s *Memento*, and visually the production is rather reminiscent of the best of Steven Spielberg. Nice company. Again and again, just when you think you’ve unraveled the convoluted plot, the story takes yet another intriguing turn into uncharted waters.

Great performances abound here, starting with Gordon-Levitt and Bruce Willis as the same character. Also deserving of accolades in substantial support roles are Paul Dano, Emily Blunt, Piper Perabo and Jeff Daniels.

A mind-bending masterpiece that’s a must for more cerebral fans of the time-travel genre.

Independent & Foreign Films

3,2,1... Frankie Go Boom (Unrated) Sibling rivalry comedy about a guy (Frankie Hunnam) who seeks refuge from civilization in the desert after being humiliated in a Youtube video posted by his drug-addicted brother (Bruce O’Dowd). Ensemble includes Whitney Cummings, Chris Noth, Ron Perlman, Lizzy Caplan and Nora Dunn.

Atlas Shrugged: Part II (Unrated) Sci-fi sequel revolves around a corporate exec (Samantha Mathis) in a desperate race against time to save a global economy on the brink of collapse. Featuring Jason Beghe, Richard T. Jones, Esai Morales and Patrick Fabian.

The Iran Job (Unrated) Hoops documentary chronicling a year in the life of Kevin Sheppard, an African-American playing professional basketball in a Middle Eastern country he finds surprisingly hospitable.

Janeane from Des Moines (Unrated) Presidential race docudrama, set in Iowa, about a conservative housewife (Jane Edith Wilson) who becomes disenchanted with the Republican candidates vying for the nomination when they fail to offer satis-



Kam’s Kapsules

By Kam Williams

factory solutions for her host of concerns. With appearances by Michelle Bachmann, Mitt Romney, Herman Cain, New Gingrich, Rick Santorum and Ron Paul.

Middle of Nowhere (R for profanity) Self-discovery drama, directed by Sundance-winner Ava DuVernay, about a young woman (Emayatzy Corinealdi) who drops out of med school to help her imprisoned husband (Omari Hardwick) only to embark on a torrid affair with an ardent bus driver (David Oyelowo). Cast includes Dondre Whitfield, Sharon Lawrence and Lorraine Toussaint.

Nobody Walks (R for sexuality, profanity and drug use) Love triangle drama about a happily-married father of two (John Krasinski) who risks his marriage by cheating on his wife (Rosemarie DeWitt) with the aspiring writer (Olivia Thirlby) living in their pool house. With Dylan McDermott, India Ennenga and Justin Kirk.

Simon and the Oaks (Unrated) Screen adaptation of Marianne Fredriksson’s surrealistic saga about a German Jewish boy (Jonatan S. Wachter) adopted by a Swedish family during World War II. With Bill Skarsgard, Helen Sjöholm and Karl Linnertorp. (In Swedish, German, Hebrew and English with subtitles)

Special Forces (R for profanity and violence) Afghan War drama starring Djimon Hounsou as the leader of an elite commando squad on a rescue mission to save a French journalist (Diane Kruger) and a translator (Mehdi Nebbou) kidnapped by the Taliban. Cast includes Denis Menochet, Benoît Magimel and Alain Figlarz.

The Thieves (Unrated) Crime caper about a gang that hatches a plan to steal a diamond worth \$20 million from a Macao casino. Starring Gianna Jun, Hae-suk Kim and Hye-su Kim. (In Korean, Cantonese, English, Mandarin and Japanese)



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Start by getting your **BMI, blood pressure and a fit test** at a screening event this October at a public hospital or health center near you. You can also get a flu shot or a simple test for diabetes, asthma, HIV, depression or cancer that could save your life.

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Visit these locations to get screening tests at little or no cost*

Bronx

Jacobi Medical Center
 1400 Pelham Parkway South
 October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
 11am-2pm

North Central Bronx Hospital
 3424 Kossuth Avenue
 October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
 11am-2pm

Lincoln Medical & Mental Health Center
 234 149th Street
 October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
 10am-4pm

Segundo Ruiz Belvis Diagnostic & Treatment Center
 545 East 142nd Street
 October 4, 11, 18, 25
 10am-4pm

Morrisania Diagnostic & Treatment Center
 1225 Gerard Avenue
 October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
 10am-4pm

Brooklyn

Coney Island Hospital
 2601 Ocean Parkway
 October 19, 26
 11am-2pm

East New York Diagnostic & Treatment Center
 2094 Pitkin Avenue (Pennsylvania Avenue)
 October 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25
 8:15am-1pm

Cumberland Diagnostic & Treatment Center
 100 North Portland Avenue
 October 24
 10am-1pm

Woodhull Medical & Mental Health Center
 760 Broadway
 October 17, 12noon-1:30pm
(seminar, no screenings)
 October 19, 10am-1pm

Kings County Hospital Center
 Ambulatory Care Center, E-Bldg.
 Clarkson Avenue at East 39th St.
 October 4, 11, 18, 25
 9am-3 pm

Manhattan

Bellevue Hospital Center
 462 First Avenue
 October 11
 10am-4pm

Metropolitan Hospital Center
 First Avenue at 97th Street
 October 5
 10am-3pm

Gouverneur Health Smith Family Health Center
 60 Madison Street
 October 3, 10
 1pm-5pm

Eddie Jr's Hair Salon
 1604 Madison Avenue
 (between E 107th/108th Streets)
 October 13
 10am-3pm

Harlem Hospital Center
 Ronald H. Brown Lobby
 530 West 137th Street
 October 15
 10am-2pm

Renaissance Health Care Network
 Sydenham Health Center
 October 19
 264 West 118th Street
 10am-2pm

Harlem Hospital Center
 MLK 2nd Floor Art Gallery
 506 Lenox Avenue
 October 17
 10am-2pm

Queens

Elmhurst Hospital Center H-Building Lobby **
 80th Street & 41st Avenue
 October 10, 17, 24
 1pm-4pm

Queens Hospital Center
 82-68 164th Street
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 October 10, 17, 24
 8am-11am

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 225 St. Paul's Avenue
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Keeping Brooklyn healthier.

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Stay tuned for more exciting details and news as we move toward fulfilling our mission of creating a higher quality, more efficient healthcare system to meet the needs of everyone in our Brooklyn community. For more information visit: tbh.org/communityupdate

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Richard Becker, M.D., President and CEO
The Brooklyn Hospital Center



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12

FILM FORUM: The Game Changers Program is holding its First Annual Game Changers National Film Forum featuring emerging filmmakers from across the country focusing on Black male achievement, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at The Schomburg Center, 515 Malcolm X Blvd., Harlem, N.Y. Forum is free and open to the public. Registration required at www.schomburgcenter.eventbrite.com. For more information, visit www.gamechangersproject.org.

COMEDY/VARIETY: No Name & A Bag O' Chips Comedy/Variety Show presents actress/comic/pundit Leighann Lord, comedians Rachael Parents, Miguel Dalmau and humorist/storyteller Dawn Fraser and featuring house band, The Summer Replacements, at Otto's, 538 E 14 St., between avenues A and B, N.Y., 7:00 p.m. on Fri., 10/12 and 19. For more information, call (212) 228-2240 or (347) 885-3466.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13

CELEBRATION WALK: Community Access is starting an initiative to bring about better health habits by holding a fun Celebration Walk, a one-mile walk (also a dog walk for those who have pet dogs) that will end with a street festival and block party with free giveaways, health food, costume contests for dogs, games, tables of information and more. For entrance fees and more information, contact Erin Johnson by email at enjohnson@communityaccess.org or phone (212) 780-1400 ext. 7804.

WALK-RUN AGAINST HUNGER: Reaching-Out Community Services will be holding its 4th Annual Walk-Run Against Hunger event with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus parking lot on 86 St. and 13 Ave. followed by a 3.2K Walk-Run around Dyker Park at 11:00 a.m. and will feature live music, food, gift auction and more. For more information and to print out a Walk Registration form, visit www.rcsprograms.org or email info@rcsprograms.org.

KIDS CAMPAIGN: The Carlton Locksley Bennett Foundation invites you to its fourth annual brunch, Taking Back Our Kids Campaign, featuring a fashion show, spoken words, special artist, raffle and gate prizes, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Catherine McAuley High School, 1377 Brooklyn Ave, between Foster and Newkirk avenues, Brooklyn. Enter via driveway. For information, call Millicent G at (347) 898-3195 or Maxine at (347) 787-5493.

YOUTH DAY AND CHARITY BENEFIT CONCERT: The New Dimension Seventh Day Adventist Church Youth Ministry Department presents Creating a New Dimension for Africa Concert with featured artist Laos in Harmony and others, 6:00 p.m. at the Church at 1062 Winthrop St., between E 93 and 94 streets, Brooklyn. As part of the annual Youth Day the program will begin with Sabbath School at 9:15 a.m. with the theme for the day Christ



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.

Is Able featuring guest speaker Pastor Gamal Alexander. For information call the Church at (347) 393-6380.

SCHOOL FETE AND RAFFLE: Meadowbrook High School Alumni New York Chapter presents its annual All Schools Fete and Raffle where you can show your school pride, starting at 10:00 p.m. at the WCO Center, 3744 White Plains Road, Bronx. For tickets and information call (927) 540-3142, (914) 500-5644 or (347) 414-4284.

CUMBE CELEBRATION: Cumbe: Center for African and Diaspora Dance, Brooklyn's newest dance studio, presents a Full Moon Celebration featuring live music by Brown Rice Family featuring a night of music, dancing, and community for families, singles, music fans, dance fans, 8:00 p.m. - Midnight at 558 Fulton St., near Flatbush Ave, 2nd Fl., Brooklyn. For cost of admission and more information call the dance studio at (718) 935-9700.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

T&T FILM FESTIVAL: The Brooklyn Public Library presents T&T Mini Film Festival featuring SistaGod, a haunting, surrealist Trinidadian film chronicling young Mari's

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.



transition from a girl who cheats death to a harbinger of death, 6:30 p.m. at the Central Library Dweck Center, 10 Grand Army Plaza, Prospect Heights, Brooklyn. Adults. For information, call (718) 230-2100.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

HOMEBUYERS SEMINAR: The NHS of East Flatbush is having a free homebuyer seminar focusing on grants, affordable mortgages, closing cost assistance and building your homeownership team, 6:00 p.m., at Astoria Federal Savings Bank, 1045 Flatbush Ave., between Beverly Rd. and Tilden Ave., Brooklyn. To reserve space call (718) 469-4679 or email infoef_01@nhsnyc.org.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

AIDS CONFERENCE: Selfhelp Community Services, LIU Brooklyn's School of Health Professions and Brooklyn AIDS Task Force presents an AIDS conference focusing on "What Everyone Needs to Know about HIV - From Novice to Expert," "Challenges in Communicating with HIV Patients and Their Families," "Selfhelp Special Family Home Care," and "Innovations in HIV Presentation: A

Discussion of PEP and PrEP," 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at LIU Brooklyn's Medcalfe Hall, corner of Dekalb and Flatbush avenues, Brooklyn. For more information, call (718) 488-1256 or visit <http://brooklynshealth2012.eventbrite.com>.

ONGOING

SISTAS: Sistas: The Musical, an uplifting musical journey of a multi-generational African American family based on a series of interviews conducted with Balck women over a six-year period, set to the lyrics of songs that captures the mood and issues of the time, is now playing at St. Lukes Theatre, 308 W 46 St., between 8 and 9 avenues, N.Y., Saturdays and Sundays at 4:30 p.m. For more information on pricing, availability, student group rates, contact Nicole Judd at (718) 703-2260 or (845) 313-4956 or nicolejudd@gmail.com.

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 12t 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 Towey 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 haticarhangarden@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.

COMPUTER TRAINING: Mount Carmel Worship and Outreach Center is holding adult and children computer training programs, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Call (917) 609-0909 for registration details.

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SPORTS

Bulls lose, Fire advances

By Patrick Horne

The New York Red Bulls last Saturday afternoon at Red Bull Arena not only dropped a 2-0 decision to the Chicago Fire, which clinched a playoff berth, but also dropped out of a second-place tie with the Fire in the Eastern Conference and landed in fourth place behind DC United, which defeated Toronto, 1-0, Saturday. There could be serious play-off consequences if the Red Bulls (15-9-8, 53 pts.) finish out of the top three in the East, which could very well be the case with only two games to play, one of which is against Conference leader and playoff-bound Sporting Kansas City (17-7-8, 59 pts.) at Red Bull Arena on Saturday, Oct. 20.

In the new playoff format, the first round will see the fifth and fourth place teams play a single elimination game to advance to the Conference semifinals; as it stands now, the fourth-place Red Bulls will play fifth-place Houston Dynamo in Red Bull Arena, but it won't be anywhere near an easy contest for New York against a surging, playoff-experienced Houston team. New York will have another difficult game at Philadelphia in its last regular season contest on Saturday, Oct. 27, which means there is a very distinct possibility of a fourth-place finish or lower.

DC United (16-10-6, 54 pts.), a much improved team this year as shown by its winning road record, hosts Columbus Crew then travels to Chicago Fire (17-10-5, 56 pts.)

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Runners train for big meet

By Robert Elkin

Jamaica, West Indies, is known to produce runners, especially the sprinters, those who do short distance events. One, in particular, was not an outstanding short distance runner on its high school team. His name is Rohan Brown, a native of Jamaica.

In Jamaica, the sprints were his specialty. However, he also played cricket and volleyball. After his high school days were over, he stopped running.

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CHAMPIONS ONCE MORE

West Indies's bowler Sunil Narine, left, celebrates the dismissal of Sri Lanka's captain Mahela Jayawardena, unseen, with wicket keeper Denesh Ramdin, right, during the ICC Twenty20 Cricket World Cup final match between Sri Lanka and West Indies in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012. AP Photo/Gemunu Amarasinghe

West Indies defeats Sri Lanka in finals

By Azad Ali

Caribbean leaders and cricket officials have sent congratulatory messages to the West Indies team after winning the ICC Twenty20 World Cup in Sri Lanka on Sunday.

Accolades continue to pour in from

around the cricketing world for their stunning victory.

Trinidad and Tobago Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar in her congratulatory message said the "victory of the West Indies cricket team as World Twenty20 champions is testament to the resilience

and tenacity of the region's never-say-die spirit and serves as a reminder to West Indians that international greatness and talent is not determined by the size of our nations, but rather by the extent of our drive and passion."

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Members of the West Indies team celebrate their win over Sri Lanka in the ICC Twenty20 Cricket World Cup final match in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012. AP Photo/Eranga Jayawardena

Amazing victory for West Indies

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She noted that eight of the 15-member squad were Trinidad and Tobago nationals.

"This World Twenty20 Championship title certainly reminds us of the power of sport to inspire and unify people of all races, classes and creeds. As a region we are all buoyed by this victory," she said.

West Indies pulled off an

amazing victory in Twenty20 history to win the World Cup by 36 runs against Sri Lanka in Colombo.

Jamaican Marlon Samuels played simply the best Twenty20 international innings ever seen when Sri Lanka had the West Indies against the ropes in the first 10 overs, blasting 78 in his team's 137 for six, which included six massive sixes. Sri Lanka could muster only 101, all

out with eight balls left.

So stunning was Samuel's innings that Lasith Malinga, Sri Lanka's main strike bowler went for 0 for 54 from his four overs. Samuels hit him for three sixes in one over - the biggest six of the tournament at 108 meters.

West Indies were 14 for 2 after the Powerplay and 32 for 2 after 10 overs, the fourth worst scores at these points in the history

of Twenty20 internationals. They even took 17 balls to score their first run off the bat.

Captain Darren Sammy also contributed big to the win, scoring 26 off 19 balls. When Samuel got out, West Indies were still 108 in the 18th over. They needed a strong finish to keep fighting and managed to score 29 runs in the last two overs ending with 137 for six.

Bulls' poor showing

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for its last games. Houston Dynamo (13-8-11, 50 pts.) meanwhile hosts Philadelphia Union and winds up its season at the Colorado Rapids. The results of these games in the next two weeks would determine the third, fourth and fifth playoff positions; the Red Bulls will do well to avoid that single elimination game.

The Red Bulls became undone last Saturday because of a lackluster performance. After a scoreless first half in which both teams missed scoring opportunities, Chicago made good on one in the 65th

minute when Dutch forward Sherjill MacDonald latched on to a through pass from Chris Wolfe and beat Red Bulls goal keeper Luis Robles for the 1-0 lead; the Dutchman increased the lead in the 78th minute off a pass from Daniel Paladini.

In other MLS games last weekend, Kansas City and Columbus played to a 1-1 tie, and so did Houston and Montreal, which was officially eliminated from the playoffs. San Jose Earthquake beat Colorado, 4-0; Philadelphia topped New England Revolution, 1-0; and Real Salt Lake knocked off the Los Angeles Galaxy, 2-1.



Chicago Fire's Sherjill MacDonald front, battles Columbus Crew's Chad Marshall back, for the ball during the second half of an MLS soccer match in Bridgeview, Ill., Saturday, Sept. 22, 2012. Chicago won 2-1. AP Photo/Paul Beaty

Budd Brown pushes ahead

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After he landed in New York, he concentrated on his occupation as he had to work and make a living. At first, Rohan was a real estate agent. Now he is in the pharmacy department at CVS in Amityville, Long Island.

Budd Brown, who is trying to make a name for himself on the cross country team at Baldwin High School, in Long Island, where they reside, happens to be Rohan's son.

Budd covered the 3.1 mile or 5K course, at the Sands Point Preserve in a time of 19:36 during the

Bruce McDonald Invitational, named after a track and cross country coach in the Port Washington school district. Overall, Budd placed 30th in his race, and third for his school. As a team, Baldwin finished in sixth place. It marked the first time on this course, located in Port Washington, for many of the runners.

"Rohan didn't know that I was running for a while or until I ran in the ninth grade," said Budd, a senior at Baldwin High. "(One day) he (my father) said to me 'I didn't know you were running,'" Budd said after the

Bruce McDonald race.

"Dedication is what makes me so good," added Budd, who finished behind teammates Oscar Zegarra's 19:06 for 22nd place, and Joe Orselli's 19:07 for 23rd place and ahead of Robert McKissick's 19:39 for 34th place and Alonzo Camilli's 20:50 for 55th position. The boys all did well and improved over last year.

"We all push each other to keep running because if we stop working hard we all fail and look bad in front of each other," Budd said. "We all push each other whether it be cross country, winter or spring."

WIPA slams WICB over selectors

The West Indies Players Association (WIPA) has slammed the reappointment of the West Indies Cricket Board (WICB) panel of selectors - Chairman Clyde Butts, Courtney Browne and Robert Haynes, for a two-year period.

In a media release issued by WIPA the condemnation arose due to "the very serious breaches of the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) and Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), which govern the relationship between the two parties, concerning matters over which the current Selection Committee pre-

sided."

WIPA continued, "In particular, the WICB has recently been found guilty on two separate occasions of various breaches of the MoU's Article VII which deals with the selection process, the issue of selection being under the sole purview of their Selection Committee."

WIPA listed the finding's - failure to conduct the selection process in a fair and transparent manner, failure to uphold the integrity of the process; and making unfounded denigrating public comments about players - which arose from arbi-

tration hearings conducted by Seenath Jairam, senior counsel, in disputes raised with the WICB by WIPA on behalf of Ramnaresh Sarwan and Lendl Simmons.

Jairam, in his ruling on the matters of the aforementioned duo, pointed out "in my considered view the selection process was not done in a fair and transparent manner and therefore in breach of Article VII (e) of the MoU. Further, the integrity of the selection process has not been kept or maintained since public comments have been made which denigrated the claimant."

West Indies win ICC World Twenty20

West Indies defeated Sri Lanka by 36 runs to win the ICC World 2012 Twenty20 last Sunday. West Indies won the toss, batted first and scored 137 runs for six wickets off their 20 overs. Marlon Samuels top-scored with a fiery 78 from 56 balls with 6 sixes and 3 fours. Dwayne Bravo scored 19 runs from 19 balls and Captain Darren Sammy 26 runs from 15 balls.

West Indies started badly within the first 10 overs only scoring 38 runs for 2 wickets. Samuels accelerated and boosted the West Indies to 87 for 3 after 15 overs. He hammered away at medium fast bowler Lasith Malinga hitting him for 3 sixes and 2 fours. Malinga bowled four overs for 54 runs without taking a wicket. Ajantha Mendis was the best bowler for Sri Lanka; he took 4 wickets for 12 runs off 4 overs. Angelo Matthews 1 wicket for 11 runs off 4 overs. The Sri Lankan bowlers performed exceptionally



Eyes on Cricket

By George H. Whyte

well with Malinga the only negative exception. Lasith Malinga probably caused his team the math for the 54 runs he exceeded.

Sri Lanka Bowled Out For 101 Runs

Sri Lanka started badly when Ravi Rampaul uprooted the off-stump of opener Tillokartne Dilshan. Kumar Sangakkara joined Captain Mahela Jayawardene and these two batsmen steadied the innings well before Sangakkara fell for 22 runs off 26 balls. Jayawardene stood up and scored a brave 33 runs off 36 balls. He was given a chance off Samuels when Dwayne Bravo dropped the catch. K. Kula Sekera scored 26 runs from 13 balls. West Indies bowlers were tight and on target throughout the Sri Lankan

innings. When Sammy bowled Angelo Matthews that was a big blow to the Sri Lankan batting because he was looked upon as the batsman to stay on with Captain Jayawardene and keep the runs going.

Sunil Narine Took The Challenge

Sunil Narine came into the attack in the 10th over and he took control of the proceedings picking up wickets frequently. Samuel Badree contributed significantly and it was the spinners that took a toll in the Twenty20 series for the West Indies. Overall, the West Indies did very well and the overall performance of the players did it. Narine ended at 3 wickets for 9 runs off 3-4 overs. Samuel Badree 1 wicket for 24 runs off 4



West Indies's fielder Dwayne Bravo, left celebrates as he holds a catch to dismiss the last Sri Lankan wicket during the ICC Twenty20 Cricket World Cup final match between Sri Lanka and West Indies in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012.

AP Photo/Gemunu Amarasinghe

Marlon Samuels hit the biggest six of the ICC World Twenty20 series. It was a 108-meter shot over longon in the 17th over of the West Indies innings off medium pacer Lasith Malinga. Samuels was named Man of the Match and Shane Watson of Australia, Player of the ICC 2012 Twenty20 Tournament.

West Indies Must Move Ahead

After winning the ICC World Twenty20, 2012 series, the West Indies cricketers must aim on winning the Test status in Test cricket. With proper planning and the correct squad, the West Indies will regain the supremacy at the Test level. The selectors may be well advised to accommodate two spinners at the Test level and avoid any compromise with the specialist bowlers. This win is good for West Indies cricket and the players confidence surely will be enhanced.

overs, Sammy 2 wickets for 6 runs off 2 overs, Samuels 1 wicket for 15 runs off 4 overs and Rampaul 1 wicket

for 31 runs off 3 overs.

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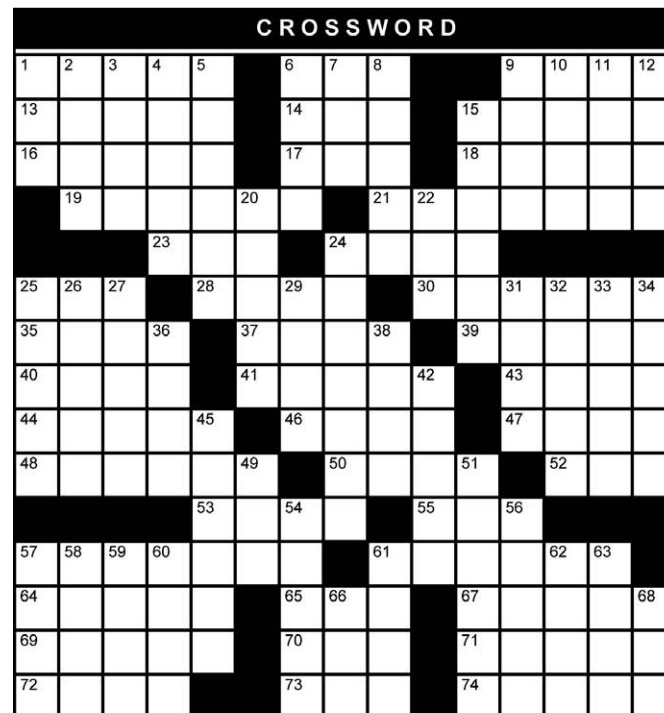
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9. Confederate soldier's hat
13. Copycat's behavior
14. She married a Beatle
15. They go from high to low
16. Ancient Roman's language
17. Small sandy island on a coral reef
18. Like days gone by
19. *One of its teams hasn't won one since 1908
21. *Chased in playoffs
23. Friend from Paris
24. Belongs to us
25. Fifth note
28. Patron saint of Norway
30. *New York transplants and 2010 champ
35. *All-time Series champs, the Yankees, aka the "____ Empire"
37. Not a win and not a loss
39. Openly distrustful
40. *More than one grow on Wrigley Field's outfield walls
41. Become established
43. Welcoming sign
44. Concluded
46. Cylindrical building
47. One billionth
48. Relating to nervous system

50. Some emit a more pleasant one than others
52. Limited, as in a company
53. Vegas light
55. Maiden name indicator
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61. Sign of irritation
65. *In 2009, Derek Jeter won one for the _____
66. Cell phone emergency contact
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69. Fear-inspiring
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72. Track gathering
73. Pumpnickel, e.g.
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12. Is not
15. It is removed by ENT specialist

20. Covers with a thin layer of gold
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24. Sometimes done standing
25. *Best of _____ games
26. Relating to sheep
27. One who adheres to Hinduism
29. Greek god of war
31. Same as #70 Across
32. Between India and China
33. Council of _____, 15th century
34. Ecclesiastic convention
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38. *A _____ pitch allowed tie run to score in Game 6 in '86 Series
42. Not a soul
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51. *They broke the "Curse of the Bambino"
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57. Part of a wine glass
58. Shakespeare's "you"
59. Fishing decoy
60. Leave out
61. Surrealist _____ Magritte
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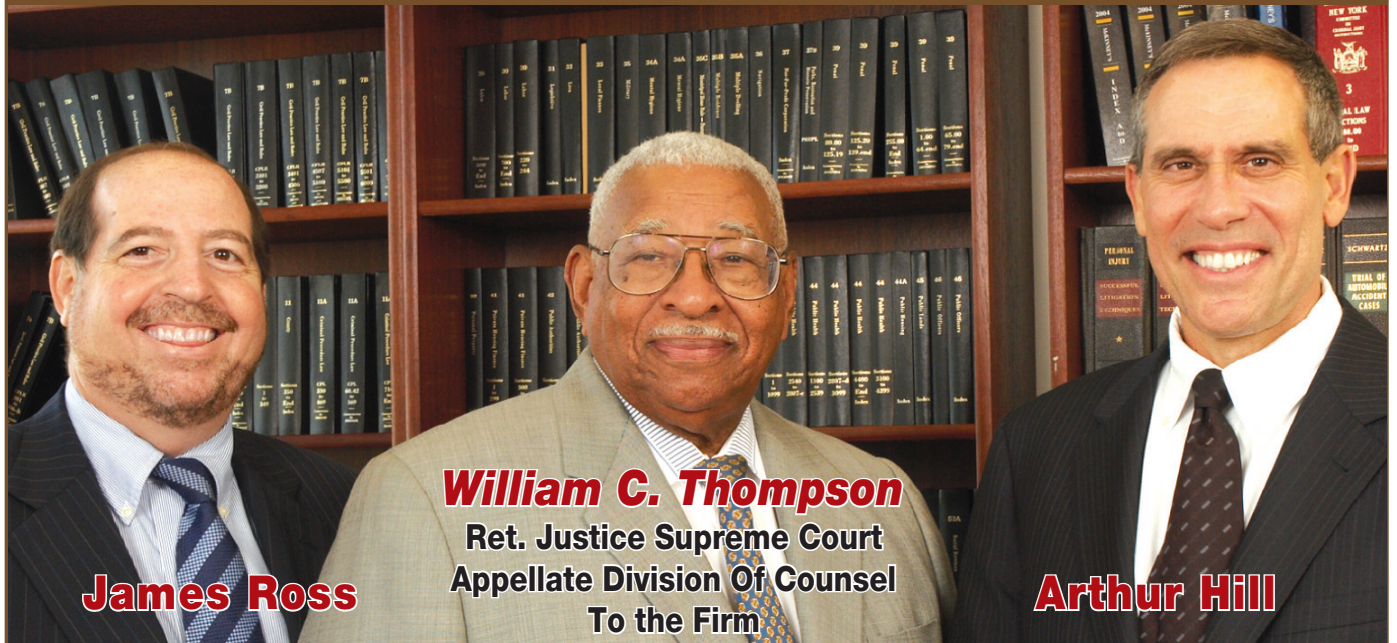
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