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A woman shows her passport and that of her son to reporters as she leaves an immigration office in Havana, Cuba, Tuesday, Oct 16, 2012. The Cuban government announced Tuesday that it will no longer require islanders to apply for an exit visa, eliminating a much-loathed bureaucratic procedure that has been a major impediment for many seeking to travel overseas for more than a half-century.

AP Photo/Ramon Espinosa

Cuba changes travel policy

By Nelson A. King

The Consulate General of Jamaica in New York inaugurates a film series to celebrate the country's 50th anniversary of Independence and commemorate the spirit of sacrifice and leadership of the nation's heroes. "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay Rebellion" chronicles arguably the bloodiest repression of dissent by the British colonial

authorities in Jamaica during the post-emancipation era. The feature film, from the archives of the now defunct Jamaica Broadcasting Corporation, and directed by veteran broadcaster, Cary Robinson, producer of the 'Hill & Gully' TV Series, will be screened at the Bronx Bethany Church of the Nazarene, 971 East 227th St., on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2012, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The dramatic epic "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay Rebellion" uses the medium of film to place in context the lives, struggles, and, personal sacrifices, of Paul Bogle, George William Gordon and their contemporaries, and response by the government of the day. As reported on Nov. 11, 1865, in less than a month of the

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STING FOR TAX CHEATS

U.S. aiming at Carib money launderers

By Bert Wilkinson

GEORGETOWN, Guyana -- Caribbean bankers and representatives of the regional trade bloc (CARICOM) are to meet Thursday, Oct. 25 to discuss a common approach to a new American law compelling foreign banks to turn over, from next year, information about Americans with accounts overseas, officials said Wednesday.

Gobin Ganga, deputy governor of the Guyana Central Bank said a recently established regional task force, the umbrella Caribbean Association of Bankers (CAB) is now ready to work with regional officials on crafting a unified strategy as to how they will respond to

the Foreign Accounts Tax Compliance law aimed at tacking tax evasion through hidden accounts overseas.

The teleconference meeting will be the first in a series planned by regional finance officials to respond to the new law that Congress passed on 2010 but which becomes effective next January.

Ganga said local banks are already readying to "comply with the new law but are also anxious for Caricom to have a unified position through the work of the taskforce."

US citizens and legal permanent residents will be affected by

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THE NEWS FROM BACK HOME

Antigua

Former Antigua and Barbuda Prime Minister Lester Bird says he will continue to lead the opposition Antigua Labor Party (ALP) despite the “anxieties” among supporters regarding his health and age.

“I am still very much able to perform the tasks of the leader and would step aside any moment my doctors felt that such tasks were likely to exceed my limitations,” said Bird, 74, the island’s second prime minister.



In a statement, Bird said there would soon be a retreat of party leaders “in an effort to iron out many of the difficult issues that have caused some anxiety among supporters.”

“We are in the process of preparing the constituencies for a convention in the latter part of November, 2012, and placing the right men and women on the appropriate slots as candidates very shortly afterwards,” the statement said.

Bird, who was re-elected ALP leader in 2008, said that his vigor for the job could be seen in the various legal and other actions he has undertaken in challenging the authorities on a number of issues.

He reminded supporters that when he first became ALP leader, he bought with him more than two decades as a parliamentarian and an equal number of years as deputy premier and deputy prime minister.

He said with the next general election constitution due in March 2014, “I have readied myself to lead this heritage party to victory”.

Bahamas

Tax reforms, a mortgage relief program, and incentives to drive more foreign direct investment are among the new measures that the Bahamas government hopes will jump-start the slowing economy.



These measures among others were outlined in a statement issued Sept. 25 by the Ministry of Finance following the announcement by Standard & Poor’s (S&P) the same day that it was revising downward its outlook on Bahamas long-term rating from “stable” to “negative.” However, the U.S. ratings agency maintained its sovereign credit rating for The Bahamas at ‘BBA/A-2’.



Jamaican Olympians honored

Olympic sprinting champion Usain Bolt, right, and fellow athlete Veronica Campbell, left, pose for a photo with Jamaica’s Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller during the annual national awards ceremony on National Heroes Day in Kingston, Jamaica, Monday, Oct. 15, 2012. See Page 29

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The Ministry of Finance stated “As S&P clearly articulates in their statement, this administration inherited a deteriorating fiscal situation where the deficit target was overshot by a wide margin. This was in addition to the absence of a credible plan for deficit and debt reduction or taxation reform by the former administration”.

Cayman Islands

The Cayman Islands has enacted new traffic laws and regulations, which introduce a ban on the use of mobile telephones while driving. Effective last month, it will be against the law to talk, text, instant message, etc. while driving.



Deputy Premier Juliana O’Connor-Connelly said, “Too many people have become too accustomed to checking e-mail or sending text while behind the wheel, even though it’s as dangerous as drinking and driving.”

She noted that most countries throughout the world such as the UK and other European countries, New Zealand, Canada and the United States have banned cellphones while driving.

Drivers who have found to be in breach of the ban on cellphones while driving will face a \$150 fine.

Haiti

Haiti’s Prime Minister has sued a Haitian-American weekly newspaper for defamation over its reporting on the sale of a telecommunications company acquired by the Haitian government.

In the recent lawsuit filed in Miami federal court, Prime Minister Laurent Lamothe and South Florida businessman Patrice Baker said Haiti-Observateur’s reporting on the sale of Haitel was “outrageous, scandalous and reminiscent of a tabloid publication.”

The Haitian telecom shut down earlier this year because it couldn’t pay its debts. It was then acquire by the Haitian government.

In an article written in French for Haiti-Observateur’s Sept. 12, 2012 edition, Joseph said Lamothe has not answered questions about the sale, though the prime minister has “cried, ‘defamation’ accusing Leo Joseph and the weekly of spreading of lies against him.”

The newspaper has been publish-

ing since 1971 and serves Haiti’s large diaspora communities in New York, Florida, Montreal and the Caribbean.

“The newspaper spread false information about the prime minister and we are taking legal measures to request that they be retracted or appropriate remedy is given,” said Salim Succar, special adviser to Lamothe.

Jamaica

Hundreds of Jamaicans dressed in black, took to the streets across the island recently to protest the upsurge in violent crimes, particularly those against women and children.

The protest organized by the group, Woman Inc. had been prompted by the rape of four women and an eight-year-old girl recently by armed gunmen in the western parish of St. James. They were also protesting the alleged rape of an 11-year-old girl who had been pregnant by her uncle.

National Security Minister Peter Bunting led protestors in the western city of Montego Bay and some

of the protestors have called on the authorities to re-implement the death penalty.

“Government needs to re-implement the death penalty,” said Betty-Ann Blaine, New National Coalition founder, who joined more than 200 protestors in Half Way Tree on the outskirts of the capital, armed with placards denouncing the violent acts against women.

Police say investigations are continuing in connection with the rape of the eight-year-old child and four other women.

Jamaica

Jamaica Finance and Planning Minister Dr. Peter Phillips has disclosed that the government will be removing more posts from the public sector before the end of the year.



These positions are in addition to just over three positions that will be axed to reduce public sector wage bill.

While unable to say how many additional posts would be involved, Phillips said the process would be done without impairing the functions of the public bodies. He also said the posts to be removed would be those that are currently not filled.

Phillips said the removal of the positions would contribute to an overall reduction in the expenses because these positions are all funded posts.

Suriname

An attorney representing President Desi Bouterse said the allegations that he is involved in drugs are just a fabrication to hinder his attempts to quash a damning drug conviction.



Criminal lawyer Inez Weski said a motion to overturn Bouterse’s 1999 drug conviction would be filed soon with the Court of Appeals in the Netherlands.

Dutch police recently reported that the word “Bouta,” the soubriquet by which Bouterse is known, was heard in a taped conversation of cocaine smuggler Piet Wortel.

Wortel was arrested a few months ago in Barcelona, Spain for involvement in large cocaine shipments. He reportedly said that “Bouta”

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Voter Education Campaign



Nelson King receiving award from Bridget Blucher Simms (L), while Curlina Edwards, Esq., who read King's brief bio, looks on. Photo by Allan 'Tom' Doyle

BBS Ministries honors seven Vincentians

By Nelson A. King

The Florida-based BBS Ministries, headed by pre-eminent Caribbean gospel diva Bridget Blucher Simms, last Saturday honored seven outstanding Vincentians for their continued contributions to the community.

Blucher Simms, also an evangelist, bestowed the honors at a fund-raising gospel concert at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in the Flatbush section of Brooklyn.

Blucher Simms said funds raised at the concert go towards the installation of an air conditioning unit at the church, whose pastor is the Rev. Dr. Glycer Beach.

The honorees were: Rev. Beach; Ruby Wood, CEO of the Brooklyn-headquartered Square Deal Shippers, Inc.; Vaughan Toney, president and CEO of the Brooklyn-based Friends of Crown Heights Educational Center; Carl Munro, CEO, Brooklyn-based Standard Caribbean Shipping, and his wife, LaVerne Munro, a registered nurse; Allan "Tom" Doyle (Balcombe), musical engineer; and Nelson King, journalist.

"I'm thanking you for coming out and answering the Macedonian call," Blucher Simms told the congregation of about 500 Vincentian, Caribbean and American nationals. "Thank you Brooklyn for coming out and reaching out."

Rev. Beach said he was grateful for the honor, adding, however, that the support would have been greater with more planning.

"I think it was an excellent turn-out," he told Car-

ibbean Life. "If we had a longer time to plan it, we would have gotten even greater support."

Rev. Beach said about US\$200,000 are needed to install the air conditioning unit in the over century-old church, which swelters in the summer.

Wood, widow of the late Egerton "Creech" Wood, the former owner of Square Deal Shippers, Inc., said she, too, was grateful for the award.

"Coming from Bridget is a great honor," she told Caribbean Life. "She always tells you where she came from."

Besides Blucher Simms, the five-hour event featured gospel artistes Firstman "Bardo" Hills; Vincentian pastor Cornelius Olive and his back-up singers, of Trinity Apostolic Church, on Bedford Avenue in Brooklyn; Jamaican Dennis Chin; and Erlene Williams-King, a member of the choir at St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

Blucher Simms belched out hits after hits from her wide repertoire, triggering dancing in the aisle and pews.

Her renditions included: Rivers of Babylon; Send the Light; Rock-Of-Ages; It Is Well With My Soul; When Peace Like a River; He Leadeth Me; Sweetest Jesus; At Calvary; He Loves Me; Lift Up Jesus; Great Is Our God; The Lord Is My Life; Onto You A New Song; and I Am A Survivor.

"Your presence today is our support for God's work," Rev. Beach told the congregation.

By Chudi Chukwudi

Brooklyn District Leader Rodneyse Bichotte (D-45th District) is spearheading an effort in collaboration with Citizens Union, the NAACP, New York Community for Change and the Transport Workers Union to convene a voter education forum and voting machine demonstration in preparation for the Nov. 6, 2012 election.

The event, to be held at St. Jerome's School at 465 East 29th St., in Flatbush from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., will enlighten voters on the following topics:

- Their rights as a voter.
- The location of their polling sites.
- Intimidation and deceptive practices
- How to use an Absentee Ballot or Affidavit



District Leader Bischotte walked the parade route at the West Indian American Day Carnival on Eastern Parkway to launch her voter-education campaign.

Ballot

• Who to ask for assistance

• How to verify voters' registration

• Why it is important to vote.

"As a the district leader of the Flatbush neighbor-

hoods, I am concerned about the effects of voter-misinformation and their not having a chance to vote
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Carol Kingston Early Childhood Center celebrates 10th anniversary

By Nelson A. King

Carol Kingston Early Childhood Center, a daycare in the East Flatbush section of Brooklyn, recently celebrated its 10th Anniversary with a gala evening in front of the center on East 42nd Street. The milestone event brought together past and present teachers, students, parents and community residents.

Dr. Janice Emanuel Bunn, the Guyanese-born founder and director of the school, named after veteran Guyanese pre-school educator Carol Kingston, told Caribbean Life that she was "gratified by the accomplishment of the center," expressing thanks to past teachers and current teachers Yvonne English and Lindon Assaye.

"Carol Kingston will continue its tradition of providing quality pre-school education," she said.

The past and present pupils displayed myriad tal-



Back row, from left, pastor Franklin Rodney, Dr. Janice Emanuel Bunn with teachers Yvonne English and Lindon Assaye and children. Photo by Nelson A. King

ents at the event, singing, dancing, reciting poems, giving speeches, and playing the piano and other musical instruments to the very appreciative audience.

Current students sang and danced: Rodley Charles played the piano; Nalah Etienne and Jenny Cadet rendered poems; and Naomi Fils and Sara/Wilda August-

tin sang.

Past student Kabina Agustin did a praise dance; while Ithar Abdelgadar, Naomi Fils and Nathaniel Fairweather, also past students, reflected on their experiences at the school.

Parents were also on the act, as Lorna Fairweather and Nicole Hugo thanked the teachers for their help in

their children's success.

Three-year-old Noah Etienne gave the vote of thanks. Seventh Day Adventist pastor Franklin Rodney, who is also a counselor with New York City's Board of Education, served as Master of Ceremonies.

At the end of the near three-hour-long program, everyone, including guests, was served a sumptuous meal.

Dr. Emanuel Bunn, a professor at the University of Phoenix, said the school was established to provide a "solid educational foundation for young children, and to challenge them to develop a love for learning and a desire to strive for excellence."

She said Carol Kingston Early Childhood Center has trained educators, and focuses on working with parents in "a partnership to develop the full potentials" of their children.

Castro

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island wide conflagration, the New York Times wrote, "It is calculated that about 1,800 of the insurrectionists have been killed in the different engagements that took place with the troops and volunteers, and up to the above-named date, 125 had suffered the extreme penalty of the law."

Jamaica, this week, remembers its national heroes and the indelible mark they made in fashioning the nation's history, strength of character and unique identity by challenging the injustices of colonialism, racism, and poverty.

Established in 1969, as the highest award to be conferred on any citizen who has "rendered the most distinguished service to the country", the Order of National Hero has been conferred on one woman and six men: Nanny, outstanding military leader during the First Maroon War; Sam Sharpe, for leadership in the resistance against slavery during the rebellion of 1831; Paul Bogle and George Gordon, for their roles against social injustices in post-emancipation, colonial Jamaica during the rebellion of 1865; Marcus Garvey for his commitment to social and political betterment on the country's racial majority; Alexander Bustamante and Norman Manley, as architects of political independence.

George William Gordon was born in 1820 to an enslaved black mother and a white plantation owner father. He was a shopkeeper, produce dealer, Baptist preacher and landowner. Gordon entered politics as an advocate for the poverty-stricken peasants in the largely rural parish of St. Thomas-in-the-East which he represented in House of Assembly. Additionally, his bitter criticism of Lt. Gov. Edward Eyre alienated him from much of the plantocracy.

There are conflicting reports if Paul Bogle was born free in 1820, 16 years before the end of slavery in the British Empire. However, by 1865 he was a Baptist deacon of significant reputation and one of a handful of black landowners on the island with significant holdings. His 500 acres qualified him to vote in local elections and was a political adherent of Assembly member, George William Gordon.

Responding to the worsening social and economic situations in the decades following emancipation Paul Bogle led a delegation to take their complaints to the governor. The audience was denied. On Oct. 11, 1865, Bogle and about 300 men marched into Morant Bay and raided the police station. They then marched to the Court House where the local authorities were meeting. The resulting confrontation resulted in the governor's representative and fifteen vestrymen being killed, 51 prisoners freed, and

the courthouse razed. After the imposition of martial law, George William Gordon was seized from his home in southern parish of St. Andrew, convicted of treason and hanged on Oct. 23. Bogle was eventually captured by the Portland Maroons, was court marshaled and executed, along with his brother Moses, on Oct. 24.

The Morant Bay Rebellion and the resultant deaths of Bogle and Gordon precipitated the beginning of a new era in Jamaica's development. The British colonial authorities were compelled to make reforms in the administration of education, health, local government, the courts, banking and infrastructure.

The screening of "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay Rebellion," on the 147 anniversary of the revolt, will be held under the patronage of Consul General of Jamaica in New York, Hon. Herman LaMont and hosted by Rev. Sam Vassal of the Bronx Bethany Church of the Nazarene. The public is invited to this celebration of another aspect of Jamaica at 50, as we reflect on the past and reimagine the future.

For additional information for the Oct. 23, 2012, 6:30 p.m. community screening of "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay Rebellion" at the Bronx Bethany Church of the Nazarene, 971 East 227th St., Bronx, contact L. Christopher Castriota, community relations officer, Jamaica Consulate. Tel: (212) 935-9000 ext. #123.

Voter education

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in November," Bischotte told Caribbean Life.

"The September election was disastrous, Bischotte added. "As a result of the recent redistricting, many voters didn't vote because they were turned away from their normal polling sites; were misinformed on the use of affidavit-paper ballots and some on voter-ID laws.

"This is why we

thought it was the right thing to do to prepare people on the process of voting, their rights and alternative ways of voting. "We will also have a poll-site look-up table to assist people on where to find their polling sites," Bischotte added.

Bichotte is the current district leader for the 42nd Assembly District, covering Flatbush, East Flatbush, Midwood and Ditmas Park.

Tax cheats

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FACTA as it mandates banks to report all accounts with more than \$50,000 to the Inland Revenue Service (IRS). The bankers association said that it is concerned with some clauses that mandate registered banks to also report account of non residents and non citizens once

they spend more than two months a year in the US.

CAB spokesman Carlton Barclay has said that regional banks have to be careful as local confidentiality laws will be broken if full compliance is adhered to.

Caribbean leaders had raised the issue with President Obama in Colombia earlier this year but no formal follow up has been held.

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Trinbagonian-American trailblazer passes

By Vinette K. Pryce

The first foreign born Caribbean American to serve in the U.S. Congress has died. Trinidad-born Mervyn Dymally passed on Oct. 7 in California after a long ailment. He was 86.

The trailblazer who has helped paved the way to improved conditions for all Americans was acclaimed as an advocate for civil rights.

He was a champion for equal rights and blazed a path for west coast residents as well as the underserved across the nation.

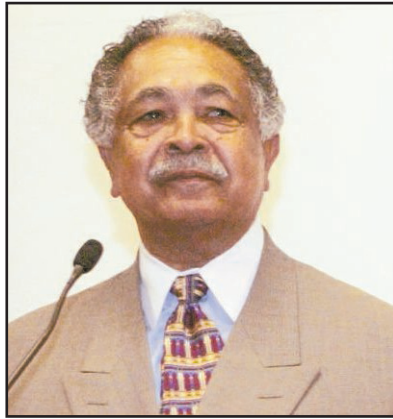
Dymally entered national politics simultaneous to his birthplace Trinidad & Tobago attaining independence in 1962.

A self-described civil rights champion, he was first elected as a California assemblyman that year.

He later became the state's first Black state senator in 1966 and its first and only Black lieutenant governor eight years later.

In 1980, he won a congressional seat in Los Angeles representing Compton and its surrounding area.

After that, there was no stopping the



Mervyn Dymally.

Photo/Damian Dovarganes

ambitious and dedicated politician.

While serving his state in Washington D.C., through legislative circles he became California's highest-ranking Black politician.

"He fought for justice and equality for all people and served as a great role model for the next generation," Dr. Claire Nelson, president of Institute for Caribbean Studies said. "His success is

a testament to the integration of Caribbean Americans into the American landscape and their contributions to the political and social fabric of the U.S."

"He was a stalwart for disenfranchised people and struggling communities at home and abroad," she added.

In Congress, he served as chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus.

While there, he championed economic and humanitarian aid for Africa and the Caribbean as chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

Dymally retired from Congress in 1992. However, he re-entered state politics at age 76. He won the same Assembly seat he held at the start of his political career.

"Merv knew how to build a political network better than nearly anyone," his former colleague Nancy Pelosi said. "He opened doors for the next generation of minority leaders."

He remained committed to public service for his entire life, serving not just as an elder statesman but a public official until a few years ago when he took ill.

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would see to it that a drug plane which had crashed recently in Suriname's hinterland, carrying 400 kilograms of cocaine, would be safe and that all "bouta" wanted in return was 200 kilograms of the drug.

But police said there were no reports of an aircraft crashing in the interior.

"The Netherlands is again trying to blacken Mr. Bouterse's and Suriname's reputation with a smear campaign, because they just cannot accept that Suriname is making economic advancement without their help," said Foreign Minister Winston Lackin.

Bouterse, who led a military coup in February 1980, was convicted in absentia in 1999 and given an 11-year sentence. He appealed the conviction but the Appellate Court confirmed the sentence in October 2001.

Bouterse has always maintained he is innocent, though saying the sentence was politically motivated by the Netherlands.

Following is electoral victory in 2010, the Netherlands immediately stopped development aid to Suriname, adding that Bouterse would only be welcomed to the European country if he is prepared to begin his jail term.

Suriname

Suriname's Justice Minister Edward Belfort has questioned a recent report out of Jamaica that pointed to an increase in drug trafficking out of Suriname.



Recently Jamaica's Commissioner of Customs, Major Richard Reece said there has been an increase in the number of persons from Suriname, Guyana and Trinidad and Tobago who "ingest drugs, or have drugs in their luggage."

"I don't know if that information is true. Which drug mule would travel from Suriname to Jamaica," said the minister, noting that there is no direct Suriname-Jamaica flight, which makes it quite a hassle to travel to that island.

"An unlikely destination for drug couriers," said Belfort.

He also said authorities at Johan Adolf Pengel (JAP) Airport have stepped up security.

Belfort said that drug mules often use JAP Airport, but these are usually bound for Europe as there are several direct flights weekly to the Netherlands and Suriname.

Trinidad

Fired Justice Minister Herbert Volney said he will operate in Parliament as a United National Congress (UNC) MP, independent of instructions from the People's Partnership Government whip.

He said his constituents wanted him to function as an independent.

Volney said his constituents are very hurt of his recent dismissal and they want him to speak freely in the House as a UNC MP but independent of the PP whip.

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Plane crash probe gets help from England

By Azad Ali

A team of investigators, which includes two members of the United Kingdom's Air Accidents Investigation Branch are assisting the Eastern Caribbean Civil Aviation (ECCA) with its probe into the fatal plane crash in Antigua, which claimed the lives of the pilot and two other passengers recently.

The tragedy claimed the lives of Captain Jason Forbes of Antigua and Annya Duncan, 29, of Jamaica, on impact. The

other passenger, 57-year-old Sandrama Poligadu of Guyana also died shortly after at hospital.

The sole survivor, 23-year-old British citizen Michael Hudson is recovering at the St. Johan Medical Hospital following surgery. He was visiting Antigua en route to Montserrat for a business trip, regarding a poultry project.

The ill-fated Britten Normal Islander, Fly Montserrat, a nine-seater aircraft plunged to the ground

shortly after takeoff on Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012.

Duncan, a teacher in Montserrat had gone to Antigua for a dental appointment and was returning to the island when she met her death.

Investigators are listening to the audio recording of the conversation between the pilot and control tower operators prior to the crash.

Aviation officials say that a thunderstorm and lightning on the day may have been an aggravating factor.



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Prostate cancer can be a serious disease, but most men diagnosed with prostate cancer do not die from it. In fact, more than 2.5 million men in the United States who have been diagnosed with prostate cancer at some point are still alive today.*

In this article, we seek advice from two award winning urologic surgeons, Dr. Vitaly Raykhman and Dr. Yuly Chalikh. These two recipients of the prestigious Patient's Choice Award were also named America's Top Urologists of 2009 and 2010. They will tell us how to detect prostate cancer in its earliest stage and successfully fight it.

Doctors, what are the symptoms of prostate cancer? Can a man diagnose himself for this disease?

Unfortunately, prostate cancer will usually not exhibit outward symptoms in its early stages, so the patient is often not aware of the presence of a tumor. Because it is important to diagnose this disease before any symptoms occur, men over age 45 are strongly encouraged to undergo an elective urological examination at least once a year.

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What is the most effective method of treatment offered at the New York Urologic Institute?

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What would you say to men suffering from prostate cancer?

Being diagnosed with prostate cancer doesn't mean you should give up and stop fighting. The New York Urologic Institute can successfully treat this type of cancer if it is diagnosed in its early stages. Our treatment can prolong the lives of prostate cancer patients for many years.

We recommend that all men be more attentive to their health and to seek professional medical help when symptoms first develop.

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Prepared for Coming Out Day?

By Fabian Burrell

Some parents have ideas early on, even at the age of three, that their child seems different from others of his or her gender. Little Adrian at age five, or maybe earlier, prefers to play with dolls and dress up in Mama's best dress. The little girl, Shenika, may insist on wearing pants even on Sunday when Mom wants the pretty pink dress. Of course, these are stereotypical statements, but the point that I want to make is that many parents and close family members begin to sense at an early age that their child is "different." As the years go by, they either push the feelings back in their minds and wait cautiously to notice if a Adrian is acting like a boy and Shenika is acting more ladylike.

If this is so, then why when the child becomes 16 or older, his /her announcement that he/she is "gay" comes upon the family like a death sound that forces parents into defensive and hostile behavior. The cries of agony and shame are heard and the "coming out" result in creating the family secret. It can be even worse if the parents react in anger, disbelief or fall upon their religious teaching and totally reject and disown the child.

Today, young people are proclaiming their "gayness" at earlier ages, some as young as 10 and 11. We may want to push the genie back into the bottle, but today's more accepting attitudes towards sexual orientations and

gender expressions give youth and young adults the self confidence to declare who they are at younger and younger ages. Too frequently the result can be disastrous in terms of their peers and yet as the society enforces more and more public policies against bullying and hate crimes, more open and welcoming attitudes will exist.

What happens in our Black communities where strong religious values against homosexuality and gender dissonance permeate much of our life styles and culture? What happens to the "coming out" process for our children, youth and young people? How can we evaluate ourselves and assess our movement towards a more open approach to lesbians, gays, bisexual, transgender and same-gender loving people?

Statistically, we know that the Black community as a whole is moving closer to same sex marriage, although differences in attitudes may vary with age and education. In spite of these advances, we still are constrained in our acceptance of "out" and open manifestations of homosexuality... Our kids move to the Piers where they can be themselves, socialize, dress and behave free of social control and pressures. However, as their numbers increase and the area become more and more gentrified, they will eventually lose the safe place that has been a haven. What happens then when the reality is before our eyes?

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The glaring contradiction in anti-Iran policy

By Sheldon Richman

President Barack Obama, Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney, and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu have at least one thing in common when it comes to Iran. All are guilty of flagrant self-contradiction.

Each says that a nuclear-armed Iran could not be effectively contained the way the U.S. government contained the nuclear-armed Soviet Union and Communist China. Yet each also says that Iran can be prevented from acquiring a nuclear capability or weapon if the United States and Israel draw a "red line" and threaten Iran militarily if it crosses the line.

Both assertions cannot be true. In his speech before the United Nations, Netanyahu, holding a poster of a cartoon bomb, said,

There are those who believe that a nuclear-armed Iran can be deterred like the Soviet Union. That's a very dangerous assumption... Militant Jihadists behave very differently from secular Marxists... Deterrence worked with the Soviets, because every time the Soviets faced a choice between their ideology and their survival, they chose their survival. But deterrence may not work with the Iranians once they get nuclear weapons.

There's a great scholar of the Middle East, Professor Bernard Lewis, who put it best. He said that for the Ayatollahs of Iran, mutually assured destruction is not a deterrent, it's an inducement.

In Obama's UN speech, he said, Make no mistake, a nuclear-armed Iran is not a challenge that can be contained... And that's why the United States will do what we must to prevent Iran from obtaining a nuclear weapon.

Romney has said similar things. In his speech in Jerusalem last August he said that Iran "gives us no reason to trust them with

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nuclear material" and that "preventing [their developing a nuclear capability] must be our highest national security priority."

All three men portray the Iranian regime as consisting of suicidal fanatics who, once having acquired even one nuclear weapon, would use it against Israel. Obama, Romney, and Netanyahu seem to believe the Iranians would use the bomb regardless of Israel's powerful military and its nuclear arsenal of at least 200 warheads, some of which are mounted on submarines, permitting a devastating second-strike capability.

In other words, if the Iranian regime were to acquire a nuclear bomb (a very big "if"), there would be no reasoning with it. Threats of massive retaliation — the essence of containment and deterrence — would likely have no effect whatsoever.

But if that is true, why would Obama, Romney, and Netanyahu expect that setting red lines backed by military threats would have the desired effect of deterring Iran from developing a nuclear capability or a weapon itself? How can Obama and Romney hope that harsh sanctions will dissuade Iran's "apocalyptic leaders" from developing a nuclear capability?

Why is deterrence expected to fail in one case but succeed in the other? The same allegedly suicidal fanatics would be making the decision.

I have yet to hear the mainstream media ask any of them these questions. Instead, the national "reporters" — stenographers, really — supinely pack Obama, Romney, and Netanyahu's fallacious premises into softball questions designed simply to let these men enunciate their talking points. You'd never know from their "coverage" that top military and intelligence figures in the United States and Israel say that Iran's leaders are "rational actors," that is, open to reason and not suicidal. The mainstream media have shamefully ill-served the American public, whose interests would be gravely harmed by a war with Iran.

The media accept another of these men's premises rather than putting it to the test. This is the assertion, as Netanyahu would have it, that Iran is racing toward acquisition of a nuclear weapon.

Both the Israeli and the U.S. intelligence communities say that Iran has not decided to acquire a weapon. Contrary to Netanyahu's hysterical warnings of a pending existential threat (warnings that go back decades), Iran has been turning its enriched uranium into a form that, while suitable for producing medical isotopes, is unsuitable for making weapons. Twice America's intelligence agencies have concluded that Iran scrapped its suspected nuclear program in 2003, after the U.S. military ousted Iraqi president Saddam Hussein. Moreover, Iran, unlike Israel, has signed the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and is subject to inspections by permanently stationed International Atomic Energy Agency personnel.

The Iranian "threat" is another manufactured crisis.

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Pulling us back from an undesirable place

In 2010, anti-Obama rage manifesting itself in the mid-term elections, with beleaguered health care reform set up as *bete noire*, delivered a message which eerily suggested that an overall American appetite for extremism was very much alive in the country. Tea Party successes in Congressional races, spectacularly so in the House, gave heart to those of the view that “our way or the highway” was okay, that political minds meeting somewhere in the middle was at all costs something to avoid. It is encouraging, even as we await the people’s verdict come November, that signs point to perhaps a bit of a pullback from that undesirable place.

The calculus of right-side elements was that 2010 perfectly positioned this year’s election as an unmistakable affirmation of a Tea Party-friendly shift in public sentiment. Even through some primary contests earlier this year on the Republican side, there was evidence of the Tea Party force coming on strong (the Tea Party element’s hijacking of the GOP being almost, if not already, a *fait accompli*). The opened floodgates on campaign financing, courtesy the high court, only seemed to make the playing field more advan-

tageous for this renegade action. A banner example of this was in Indiana, where six-term Republican incumbent in the Senate, Richard Lugar, dared to signal a willingness to compromise with the other side or to vote for Supreme Court nominees put up by the president, or to support other administration measures. For this, Lugar was deemed Tea Party prey and was bested in the primary by the Tea Party’s guy. Polls are indicating Republicans may very well lose this seat held by Lugar for decades. If they do, it would be as classic a tale of poetic justice as one could conjure.

Then there’s the infamous Todd Akin, another Tea Party stalwart, trying to unseat Democratic Senator Claire McCaskill in Missouri. Supposedly this was going to be a near-impossible seat for McCaskill to retain. That equation was substantially changed with Akin’s celebrated hoof-in-mouth episode about “legitimate” rape and the female body’s ability to naturally prevent pregnancy – a pathetic, incredulous attempt at rationalization for his uncompromising stand against abortion under any circumstances. Akin, having stubbornly refused to quit the race after such an outrage drew fire from

Viewpoint

By Les Slater

fellow Republicans, has seen the party machinery eventually resume its support for the most part after, with time, he began to make the race more competitive. But this Missouri Senate seat is one Republicans figured to be winning – a forecast that, again, may wind up upended.

That as an elected representative of the people one gets marked for political extinction for doing the right thing – trying wherever possible to find consensus among legislative decision makers – is searing commentary on what plagues the political landscape. Sadly, the movers and shakers responsible for shaping public service by elected officials into a no-holds-barred blood sport seem not the least bothered that people are the ultimate victims. It becomes obvious that it’s a step in the right direction whenever those wedded to ideological rigidity or any other harbinger of governmental paralysis are kept at bay.

In the northeast, there are Senate

seats up for grabs that don’t necessarily underscore the hard-right ideological fervor but could possibly be scrambling those Republican prognostication numbers. Republican Scott Brown in Massachusetts is viewed as something of a moderate, but in that contest the heart of the matter is hardly Brown’s philosophical bent. There’s something almost sacrilegious about the late Ted Kennedy’s seat having been originally contested by a Democrat who was evidently a choice that didn’t quite measure up. In Elizabeth Warren, Democrats seem to have the kind of challenger to Brown who would likely gain an immediate assent from that Senate Seat’s legendary occupant.

In Maine, Olympia Snowe, one of that shrinking circle of Republican moderates in the Senate, apparently decided she had had enough of the hard-line mentality that had become Capitol Hill ritual. Her decision to retire has opened the way for her seat to be filled, as is widely expected, by an Independent who would caucus with Democrats. It’s left to be seen whether in Connecticut, retiring former Democrat-turned-Independent Senator Joe Lieberman’s Senate seat will be taken over by an obvious-

ly determined, one might even say obsessed, Republican. Linda McMahon, who reportedly made bushels of money in wrestling promotion, is making yet another attempt to spend her way into the Senate – a perfect poster girl for what’s wrong with the electioneering process. Some of McMahon’s campaign advertising seems straight out of the Romney Ryan playbook, which gives pause as to whether her election would be a boost for gridlock, rather than a voice against it. But Connecticut has rejected her moneybags campaign before and could do so again.

Some of us are firmly of the persuasion that when called upon to make a declarative statement for the good of the Republic, the electorate invariably does the responsible thing. In the midst of some folks in high places unabashedly advocating regressive practices and policies of yesteryear; in the midst of the Supreme Court’s awful Citizens United decision that looked to derail any chance of a level playing field; in the midst of strident voices for whom a government gripped by stasis is nothing to squawk about; in the midst of all that come the people in 2012, hopefully aspiring to a loftier place.

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The Drew House alternative

More to public safety than locking people up

By Colleen Long

New York, Oct. 7, 2012 (AP) -- Rosalia Silva came to New York from Mexico with the promise of a good job, her small child in tow. Instead, she was forced into prostitution, trapped in a life of abuse and misery, and she saw no way out. Deeply depressed, she tried to hurt herself and her little boy.

Silva was arrested on assault charges and jailed, and later institutionalized while her son, Francisco, lived with foster parents for nearly five years. But then Silva was accepted into Drew House, a program for mothers that allows them to live with their children in a private apartment instead of prison while they serve out court mandates.

"Here we have our own place," said Silva, 36. "It's a place we can call home, a place we feel safe. It's a place where we can get to know

each other again."

It's apparently the only program like it in the country — and has been lauded as a successful, more supportive and cheaper alternative to prison. But space is running out at the house, and prosecutors and program leaders say the effort needs funding in order to grow.

Silva and four other mothers live in the unmarked apartment building in Brooklyn, all sent there for felony offenses. Some involve drugs, others weapons, and still others more violent crime. Eligible women are flagged by Brooklyn prosecutors and defense attorneys. In order to live there, women must be homeless, have minor children, and have pleaded guilty to a felony. The charges are dropped if they complete the

court-ordered requirements, but if they break the law or don't follow through, they get the maximum sentence.

"They want us to succeed," Silva said of the program leaders. "They help us to stay on the path."

The women are largely independent except for a curfew and sign-in requirements. Mothers attend parenting classes, job training and therapy. Their children go to school and receive medical care and tutoring — and are given a sense of stability and safety.

The four-story maroon building was bustling on a recent school day. A handful of small children in yellow and blue uniforms tumbled into the ground floor office, plopped down backpacks and said hello to the house man-

ager.

The kids raced to the backyard to play on the swing set near a garden of herbs and vegetables, tossing a basketball, and trying to be gentle with a small tabby cat that's taken up residence. Some of the moms joked nearby.

Rita Zimmer, the founder of Housing Plus Solutions, the nonprofit that runs the program, said it costs \$34,000 annually to house a woman and her children at Drew House. It costs nearly four times as much to incarcerate a woman and put her children in foster care.

Some prisons allow women to keep their infants with them, and some drug treatment programs allow children, but no other program allows women arrested on other felonies to live with their children instead of prison.

The idea came from prosecutors working with Brooklyn District Attorney Charles

Hynes and took nearly a decade to get off the ground, until Zimmer came on board. The house opened in 2008, and was named for Hynes' mother, a victim of domestic violence.

"There's just a lot more to public safety than locking people up," Hynes said.

A study completed by Columbia University in 2011 after a year of observation found residents were thriving. All but one of the seven initial residents completed court mandates, have not been re-arrested, and found stable homes. Their children remained in school. But women who are incarcerated are more often homeless and have higher rates of mental illness and substance abuse than women who get alternative punishment outside prison, according to the study. Their children are more likely to fail academically, suffer mental health problems and wind up in the criminal jus-

tice system themselves.

Researchers were impressed, said Mary Byrne, who led the study. Their first recommendation was to replicate the model nationwide, and find more buildings in New York City to serve more families, but that's been impossible so far.

Part of the problem is that with an average stay of about a year, space rarely opens up. And women can't be forced to leave their apartments when their mandate ends under the terms of the grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, though most do leave for other housing.

But now, of the five women there, two are done and a third, Olga Blackwood, is about to finish, and they haven't left. One has stayed more than a year late because of immigration issues. Blackwood said she can't afford her own place.

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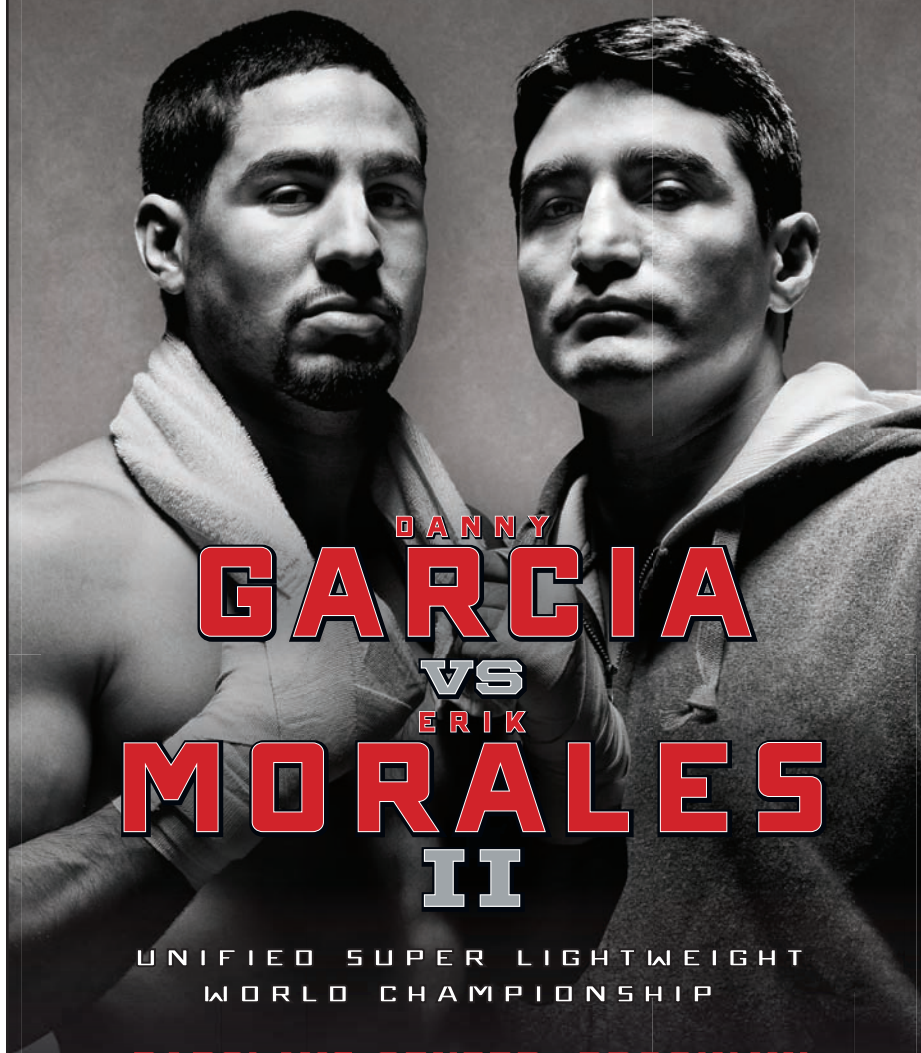
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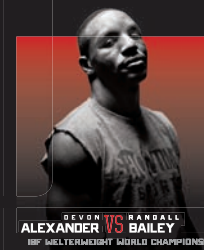
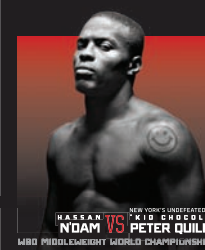
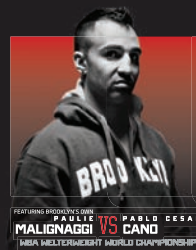
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Role of Vincy expats more critical than ever

By Nelson A. King

Vincenian Vaughan Toney, chief executive officer of the Brooklyn-based Friends of Crown Heights Educational Center, told his compatriots at a recent Diaspora conference in New York that the role of the Diaspora in recovery and development at home, has become “ever more critical.”

Toney, a former New York City Council candidate, noted that his homeland is not alone in seeking to engage the Diaspora more actively in creating opportunities for development and pointed to countries with large populations abroad such as China, India, Mexico, Nigeria, Egypt and the Philippines that are devising specific financial instruments, like Diaspora Bonds, “as a way of



Vaughan Toney Photo credit: Nelson A. King

mobilizing Diaspora savings to finance targeted public- and private-sector projects at home, while simultaneously improving their fiscal profile in international markets.”

“Increasingly, those expatriates have become an indispensable source of economic support for their countries of origin – most commonly through the financial remittances they send to family, friends and philanthropic organizations back home,” Toney explained in a paper submitted to the conference held at Kingdom Life Ministries International in Crown Heights, Brooklyn and read by Sherrill-Ann Mason, a member of the St. Vincent and the Grenadines Diaspora Committee of New York.

Toney says remittances from abroad represent a “critical lifeline for the poor,” and the steady stream of foreign currency also helps improve St. Vincent and the Grenadines’ credit worthiness for external borrowing.”

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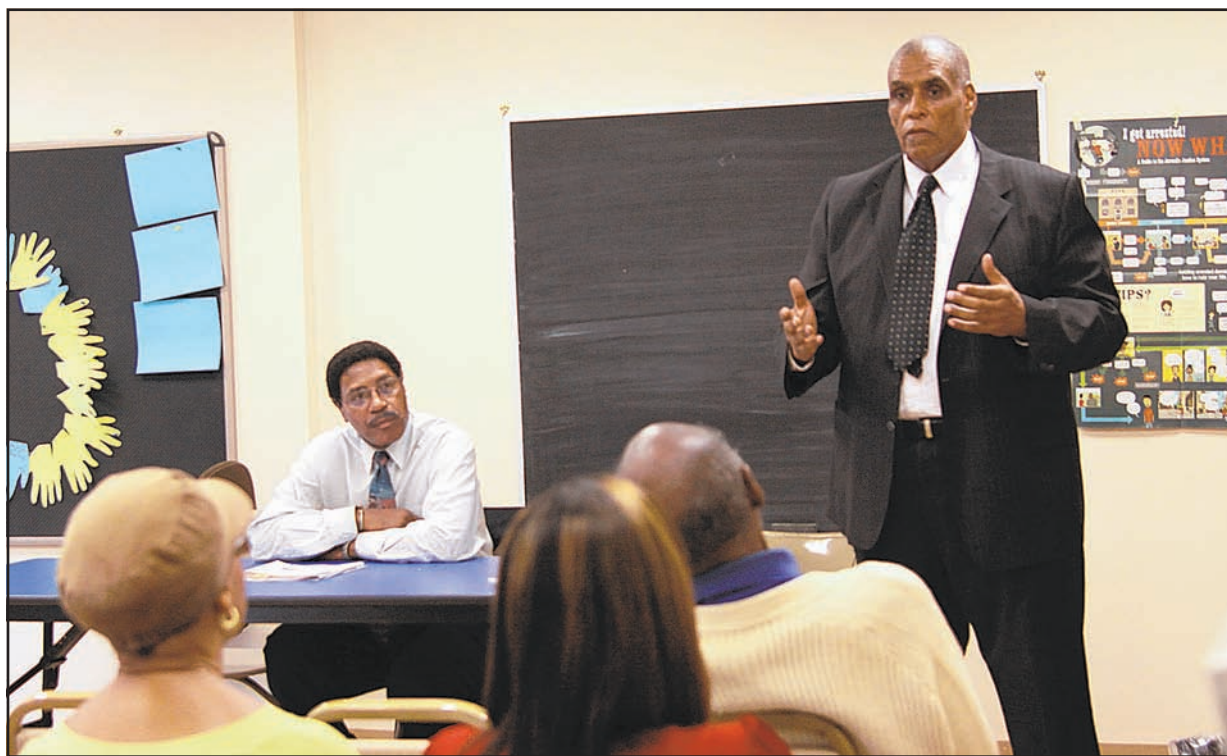
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Starting and growing small businesses in Queens

Assemblyman William Scarborough, chair of the Committee on Small Business, welcomed Harry Wells, regional director of York College Small Business Development Center (SBDC) as the guest speaker at his monthly Task Force Meeting.

The York College Small Business Development Center helps entrepreneurs by bringing together the resources of CUNY, NYS Small Business Development Centers, the Small Business Administration and the private sector. They see more than 600 people a year and provide between four to six million dollars a year in small business loans and have brought \$90 million in contracts to Queens.

Since they opened their office at York College in 1988, they have helped 12,853 businesses and have created or saved 3,065 jobs. They are an invaluable resource for anyone thinking of starting any type of business, or with growing existing businesses. They provide professional business counseling, mentoring and training. Their seasoned professionals help with developing marketing plans, complying with licensing and regulations,



Assemblyman William Scarborough with 29th AD Task Force Guest Speaker Harry Wells, regional director of York College Small Business Development Center who provided information on the invaluable resources and professional business counseling, mentoring and training provided free of charge to anyone thinking of starting a small business or growing their existing business.

Photo by Juliet Kaye

as well as international trade financing and market expansion.

They recently launched the Capital Access Program with GPF Real Estate and Financing Corp., a subsidiary of Global Private Funding which will help SBEDC

clients who normally would not be able to attract the attention of venture capital, private investors, underwriters and revenue financiers. Wells said the Capital Access Program is particularly timely because there are many large-scale com-

mercial and infrastructure projects which will be completed in Queens over the next 20 years and the York SBDC will help M/WBEs compete and win bids and contract opportunities. The construction industry faces many challenges in obtain-

ing funding and this program will give help with awarded contractors facing funding obstacles.

For anyone looking to start a business or expand their business, there is no cost for their personal counseling to help entre-

preneurs with access to capital, business planning, financial management and starting a business. They help with business plan development, assessing business model viability, financial projections and planning, business growth guidance, international trade financing and market expansion and learning about the mechanics of exporting as well obtaining financing opportunities. They help small businesses with applying for Minority and Women Owned Business (M/WBE) Certification, as well as identifying appropriate bidding opportunities. They provide MWBE and small business contractors with training, technical assistance and credit support to secure surety bonds which are necessary for state contracts. To schedule an appointment or speak obtain information, call York College SBDC at 718-262-2880.

Assemblyman Scarborough's 29th AD Task Force Meetings take place on the last Saturday of every month at the Robert Ross Johnson Family Life Center from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon. For additional information, call Scarborough's District Office at 718-723-5412.

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2012 New York, NY Small Business Resource

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

Business Resources: Internet Bibliographies: New York State Library

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

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Assemblymember Annette M. Robinson.

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Assemblymember Annette M. Robinson. “Through its innovative mobile engagement teams, Amida Care is improving the health and quality of life of thousands of Brooklyn residents.”

Amida Care’s innovative model includes deploying community health outreach workers and mobile engagement teams in key neighborhoods, and conducting intensive outreach to ensure that at-risk individuals receive continuous care. Amida Care’s model is credited with improving patients’ access to life saving care, while reducing hospital stays by 25%.

Interfaith Medical Center and SUNY Downstate, two Brooklyn hospitals, play an integral role in Amida Care’s SNP by providing HIV+ patients direct access to specialists and ensuring they continue to receive the medical attention they need.

University scholarships

By Lin-Jay Harry-Voglezon

According to Oma Sewhdat, president of St. Helen University in Vieux, St. Lucia, the university is offering to Guyanese nationals two full tuition scholarships and “a 50 percent one-year tuition scholarship to all students currently enrolled in medical programs anywhere in the Caribbean, including Guyana.” The university will be opening its doors on Jan. 7, 2013 for the first time.

Said Sewhdat, “Through these scholarships, we want (university) to ensure that we make our high-quality programs accessible to Guyanese students so that they can be part of our innovative programs delivered by highly-skilled and experienced physicians and medical educators from the U.S., Canada and the Caribbean.” This offer, he added, is a way of “contributing to Guyana’s youth and development.”

Sewhdat contends that as the medical school’s curriculum is informed by the standards and program

designs of the WHO and other international organizations, “We are sure that Guyanese students who come to St. Helen will be assets to Guyana when they return, championing health as critical element in the development of people, communities and the country. In so doing, they will be part of the change needed at national and international levels in the arena of health and development.”

Potential students may visit the university’s website www.shu.com.lc to learn more about the university, its programs, faculty and for submission of applications. They may also register for webinar sessions with Mr. Sewhdat and senior faculty heads “including Guyanese doctors Dr. Alden Chesney (Canadian resident) and Dr. Max Hanoman (Guyanese resident), and Trinidadian Dr. Dan Ramdath (Canadian resident).” St. Helen University Medical School, which is Guyanese owned, is the newest medical school in St. Lucia.



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Best-seller 'Marley & Me' slated for reissue

"Marley & Me" one of the first books to expose the private life of Robert "Bob" Marley and the women he was associated with will be re-released next year.

Penning by Donald Delroy Taylor, Marley's best-known manager, the controversial tell-all will be gussied up with brand new chapters and on the shelves in time for the king of reggae's 68th birthday on Feb. 6.

First published under the cover "So Much Things To Say" the title was changed to reflect Taylor's unique relationship with the reggae legend.

Often compared to boxing promoter Don King or Elvis Presley's manager Col. Tom Parker, the charismatic, sharp-dresser was a self-made manager.

Allegedly Taylor made his way into the big-time when singer Lloyd Price visited Jamaica.

According to the book, Taylor maneuvered his way to see the star offering to assist him with his stage outfit.



Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

Taylor revealed that Price impressed with his meticulous care of the clothing suggested that Taylor set up a valet service for other visiting performers which included Fats Domino, Ben E. King and Jackie Wilson.

As the biography reads, Wilson was very impressed by Taylor's work and before leaving the island bought him a plane ticket to Miami in 1960.

Taylor lived in the south for a time but after meeting Jerry Butler made his way to New York and quickly landed a gig with Little Anthony and the Imperials.

Taylor travelled with the hit-makers and eventually became their manager.

Marley allegedly returned to Jamaica soon after Eric Clapton's version of Marley's "I Shot the Sheriff" hit

the charts. Simultaneously, Marley his Wailers left their manager Danny Sims. Taylor reportedly travelled to Kingston and without introduction offered his services to the Rastafarian. The pair shook hands and formed a union to go on the road to promote the "Natty Dread" album.

After a successful tour of Canada and the United States, Taylor renegotiated Marley's deal with Island Records president Chris Blackwell. That 1975 deal gave Marley his biggest payday with a contract for \$1 million.

Taylor is also credited with setting up a company in the British Virgin Island of Tortola in order to avoid UK and U.S. taxes. The business-savvy manager also extricated Marley from his publishing

deal with Danny Sims.

Taylor managed Marley for five years.

He was among four persons shot at 56 Hope Road, Marley's home in Kingston in 1976. Newspaper reports at the time stated that Taylor saved Marley's life by standing in front of the reggae legend.

Taylor was critically injured and was immediately airlifted to Miami for surgery.

A bullet was removed from his spine.

Marley and his wife Rita were also shot and injured in the incident.

Throughout the years, Taylor worked with Burning Spear, Gregory Isaacs, Prince, Soul II Soul, Mickey Howard, and producers Kenneth "Baby Face" Edmonds and L.A. Reid.

In 1979, Taylor bought Jimmy Cliff's publishing rights for \$40,000. He is reputed to be the brain behind rebuilding Cliff's career, which reportedly, had been on a downward spiral

since the early seventies.

Marley and Taylor parted ways after a trip to Gabon, Africa and dispute about embezzlement implicated the manager.

In 1980, Marley wrote "Bad Card" as a thinly-veiled attack on Taylor for the album "Uprising."

One year later Marley died of cancer in Miami.

Taylor reportedly took care of the funeral arrangements in Jamaica.

However, it was widely reported that Marley's death left a deep impression on him and he began using cocaine.

Allegedly Taylor tried to sort out the singer's estate but, in the absence of a will, the dispute between various parties -- Rita Marley, Danny Sims, Cedella Booker - Marley's mother - Wailers - numerous baby mothers and numerous individuals seemed interminable.

Taylor said Rita Marley was against her husband's 'outside' children benefiting from his legacy, which was reportedly valued at \$30 million.

A court decision in 1989 ended the public feuding when Chris Blackwell bought the publishing rights to Marley's songs for \$12 million.

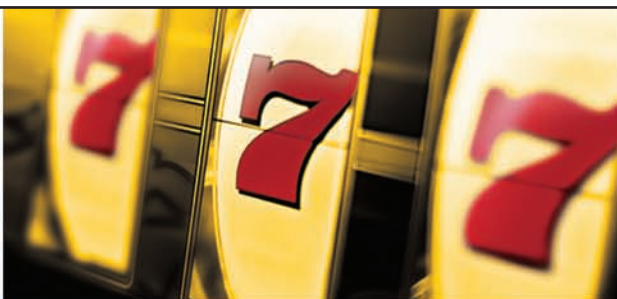
In 1983, Taylor convinced EMI America to sign Marley's off-springs to a recording contract. Ziggy Marley & the Melody Makers headlined Marley's eldest son David and featured Stephen, Cedella and Sharon Marley.

Taylor died in Miami, December 1999 following surgery for a heart condition.

According to Mike Henry, head of LMH Publishing, the second edition will be more extensive than the first with additional chapters focusing on developments surrounding the Marley estate in the last decade.

"When the book came out, we were threatened with a lot of lawsuits that never materialized," Henry said. "Just read the number of Marley books that followed and you will see Don has been exonerated."

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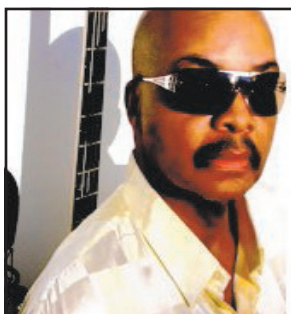
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ENTERTAINMENT



Lonette McKee; Michael Henderson.

Night To Remember

Lonette McKee, acclaimed Tony nominated film and stage actress and star of mega-hits “Sparkle,” “The Cotton Club,” “Round Midnight,” “Jungle Fever” and Broadway’s “Showboat” and “Lady Day,” in concert with four-time Grammy nominated music legend singer, songwriter, Jazz Fusion and R&B Soul per-

former, Michael Henderson come together for a one-night only performance.

Entitled “A Night To Remember” will be held on Friday, Nov. 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m., at the Aaron Davis Hall, City College of New York (Convent Avenue and West 135th Street on City College campus)
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OCEAN Style fashion showcase

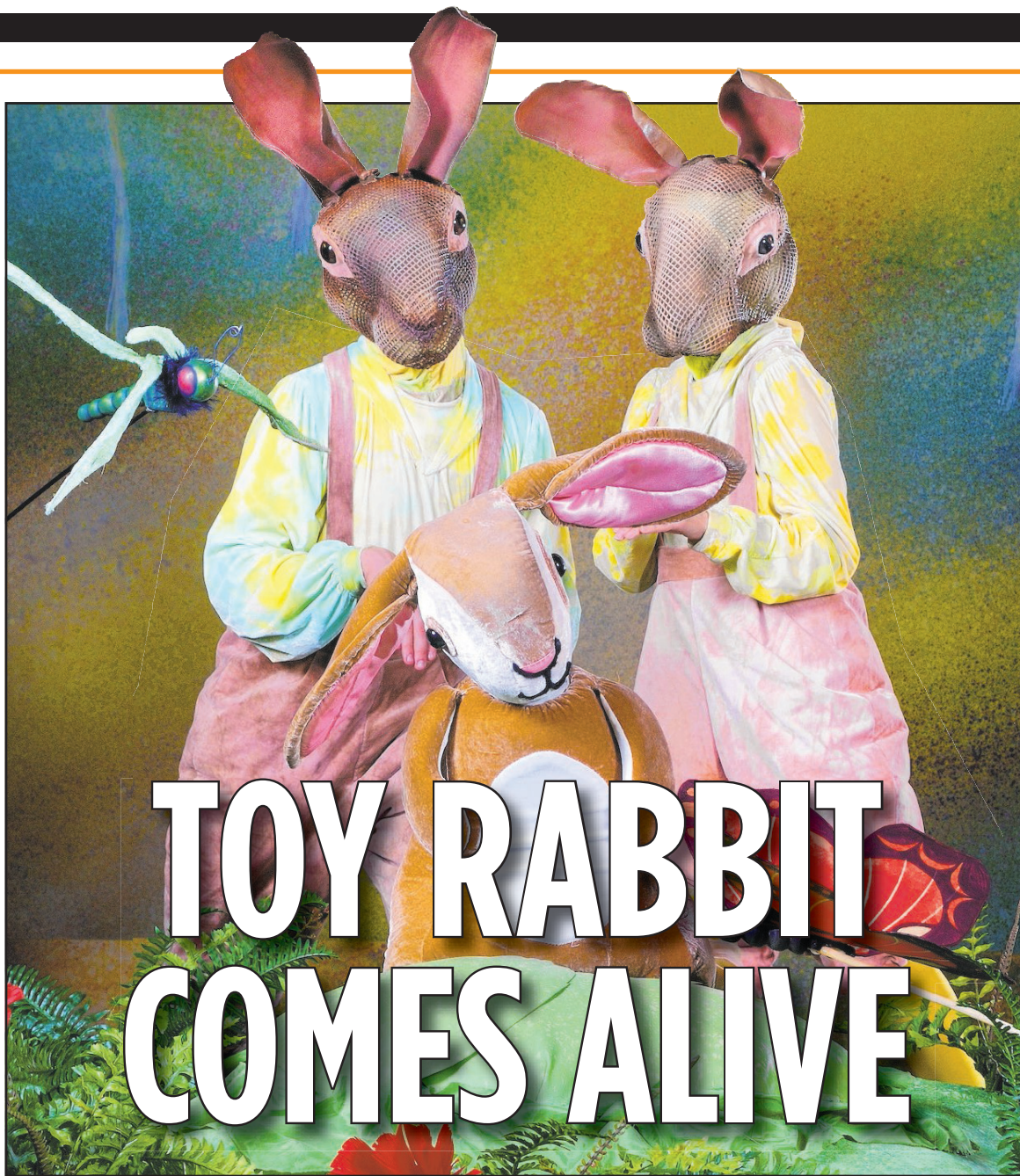
Premier fashion and upscale living establishment, OCEAN Style, is gearing up for its fifth fashion showcase weekend Nov. 2-4 in Montego Bay, Jamaica.

Some of the world’s most recognizable designer brands, including Calvin Klein, Ralph Lauren and Roberto Cavalli, will be on display at the fashion showcase and celebrity golf invitational with chic parties and golf events, starring alongside some of the Caribbean’s most famous

designers such as including Meiling and Sandra Kennedy, and under the watchful gaze of a plethora of celebrities.

With the 2012 theme: ‘Fifty Five Fifty’, OCEAN Style will also celebrate its fifth year of staging the fashion showcase, and also will pay tribute to the 50th anniversary of independence for Jamaica and Trinidad & Tobago.

“We are immensely proud to celebrate our fifth year,” OCEAN Style Magazine
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TOY RABBIT COMES ALIVE

A scene from “The Velveteen Rabbit.”

A charming tale of love and devotion

Brooklyn Center for the Performing Arts at Brooklyn College (BCBC) opens its 2012-2013 Target Storybook Series with Enchantment Theatre Company’s production of The Velveteen Rabbit on Sunday, Nov. 11, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.

“When a child loves you for a long, long time...then you become Real.” So says the Horse to the Velveteen Rabbit in Margery Williams’

famous and much-loved literary classic. A stuffed toy rabbit, given as a gift to a young boy, yearns for the day the boy will choose him as his special playmate, so that he can become real. Through love, devotion and a little bit of magic, he not only becomes a truly beloved toy, but is miraculously transformed into a real woodland rabbit. This innovative production combines the

theatrical magic and signature style of Enchantment Theatre Company with an original musical score by Tony, Emmy and Grammy Award-winning composer/arranger Don Sebesky, lyrics by Gloria Nissenson, and a book by Leslie Reidel, Jennifer Blatchley Smith, and Landis Smith adapted from Margery Williams classic children’s novel. Incorporating

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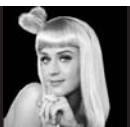
TOP OF THE CHARTS

TOP 10 SINGLES



- 1 **One More Night**
Maroon 5
- 2 **Blow Me (One Last Kiss)**
Pink
- 3 **As Long As You Love Me**
Justin Bieber Feat. Big Sean
- 4 **Some Nights**
Fun.
- 5 **We are Never Ever Getting...**
Taylor Swift
- 6 **Good Time**
Owl City & Carly Rae Jepsen
- 7 **Too Close**
Alex Clare
- 8 **Lights**
Ellie Goulding
- 9 **Everybody Talks**
Neon Trees
- 10 **Whistle**
Flo Rida

TOP 10 ALBUMS



- 1 **Babel**
Mumford & Sons
- 2 **The 2nd Law**
Muse
- 3 **Kaleidoscope Dream**
Miguel
- 4 **Transit Of Venus**
Three Days Grace
- 5 **Pitch Perfect**
Soundtrack
- 6 **Sticks & Stones**
Cher Lloyd
- 7 **The Truth About Love**
Pink
- 8 **Sigh No More**
Mumford & Sons
- 9 **Kanye West Presents GOOD**
Various Artists
- 10 **The Lumineers**
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Rabbit

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porating extraordinary puppets, masks and magic, Enchantment Theatre Company brings to life this charming tale of love and devotion, creating an unforgettable theatrical experience for the whole family.

The centerpiece of BCBC's 2012-2013 family programming, the new Target Storybook Series features performances based on classic and contemporary children's literature. In addition to "The Velveteen Rabbit," this series includes "How I Became a Pirate" (Jan. 6, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.), "The Little Prince" (Jan. 27, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.), and American Family Theater's "Sleeping Beauty" (March 10, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.).

The Target Storybook Series aims to encourage the development of strong reading skills at home in children ages four to eight. Each show's Parents' Guide, containing literacy-based activity sheets, reading tips, and discussion topics, gives parents the opportunity to engage their children both before and after seeing each show. Parents' Guides are available for download at www.BrooklynCenterOnline.org/Target_Storybook.asp.

"We are thrilled to partner with Target to introduce Brooklyn's young audiences to these exciting live adaptations of children's books," said Rick Berubé, interim managing director of BCBC. "Our



A scene from The Velveteen Rabbit.

aim with this new series is to not only entertain and create strong family memories, but also to assist more children in reaching a strong level of reading proficiency by the end of the third grade."

In addition to the Target Storybook Series, BCBC will present other family-friendly shows including the holiday favorite "The Colo-

nial Nutcracker," "Tales of Anansi," and a sing-along screening of the Julie Andrews classic film "The Sound of Music."

All tickets can be purchased by phone at 718-951-4500 (Tues-Sat, 1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.), or online at www.BrooklynCenterOnline.org.

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azine Editor-in-Chief Douglas K. Gordon said. "But as with any venture of this nature, you are only as good as your last effort; and our team is working tirelessly to ensure that we exceed expectations and truly embrace the Caribbean this year with these significant milestones.

"It's a time for great celebration, and we are working to put the very best of the Caribbean forward," he added.

Unmatched Style

In keeping with the event's standing for unmatched style and sophistication, luxury car brand, AUDI proudly serves as this year's presenting sponsor, as well as platinum sponsors Appleton Estate Jamaica Rum, the award-winning Sandals Resorts, and Jamaica's leading décor and design company, Tai Flora.



Ocean Style Fashion

Signing on as corporate sponsors are the *Jamaica Observer* and CVM TV.

Adam Stewart, CEO and some of the world's most recognizable designer brands, including Calvin

Klein, Ralph Lauren and Roberto Cavalli, chairman, Automotive and Sandals Resorts International commented, "We're thrilled to continue our association with OCEAN Style for one of the most progressive and preeminent fashion events in the region. The line between the fashion and the automotive industry has never been closer - both married perfectly by style - and, at ATL Automotive we'll be taking the opportunity to showcase the sexiest new SUV around, the Audi Q3.

"When fashion, cars, good food and drink and great people come together like this, it's always a magnificent time!"

The OCEAN Style/Audi Celebrity Golf Invitational will take place on the seaside greens of the Cinnamon Hill Golf Course at Rose Hill. Players and celebrities alike from across the Caribbean, U.S. and U.K. will get a chance to compete for incredible prizes, including a highly-coveted US\$1 Million Hole-in-One contest. For more on the tournament visit www.oceanstyle-magazine.com/golf.

A Night to Remember

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Teacher moonlights to save school's music program

"Here Comes the Boom"
Very Good (3 stars)
Rated PG for sports violence, crude humor and mild epithets.
Running time:
105 minutes
Distributor: Columbia Pictures

By Kam Williams

Scott Voss (Kevin James) is a bored biology teacher at mythical Wilkinson High in Massachusetts, a cash-strapped school suffering from low morale. The apathetic slacker is part of the problem, as he sets a horrible example for his students, between stealing candy from vending machines and always arriving late for class.

During recess, the bored, 42-year-old bachelor makes a habit of flirting with the beautiful school nurse, Bella (Salma Hayek). However, she just as routinely rebuffs

his advances with gentle reminders of how often she's rejected each of his requests for a date.

The plot thickens the day Principal Betcher (Gregg German) assembles the faculty in the auditorium to announce his latest budgetary cutbacks. Those money-saving measures not only include plans to eliminate after-school activities like the debate club and field trips but even the entire music program.

That means Scott's colleague Marty Streb (Henry Winkler) will be callously laid-off right before earning tenure. And to add insult to injury, the dedicated music teacher's firing comes at a time when his wife (Nikki Tyler-Flynn) is pregnant.

This dire state of affairs inspires Scott to prevail upon the principal to preserve his pal's position. But Betcher says he simply doesn't have the \$48,000 to pay Marty.

Therefore, Scott, who hasn't wrestled competitively since col-



Kevin James and Bas Rutten in "Here Comes the Boom."

Photo courtesy Tracy Bennett, Sony Pictures Entertainment

lege, decides to raise the cash by moonlighting in the ring as a Mixed Martial Arts fighter. With the help of Marty and a retired kickboxing champ (Bas Rutten), he proceeds to whip himself into

the best shape a middle-aged couch potato might hope for.

So unfolds "Here Comes the Boom," a sweet-natured, overcoming-the-odds sports saga combining familiar elements of Rocky

(1976) and Nacho Libre (2006). Directed by Frank Coraci (The Waterboy), the star vehicle showcases Kevin James' comic genius at his best, whether he's doing pratfalls in a mask and ill-fitting stretchy pants or futilely wooing the woman of his dreams.

The paint-by-numbers plot inexorably builds to a UFC-sanctioned showdown between Scott and an intimidating adversary (Krzysztof Soszynski) for a purse conveniently matching Marty's salary. Wouldn't it be nice if Wilkinson's student body and school band were on hand in the Vegas arena to cheer for their altruistic teach, and better yet if Bella had a change of heart and also arrived ringside for a kiss at the moment of truth?

"Here Comes the Boom?" How about, here comes a pat Hollywood tale of redemption where a perennial loser transforms himself into a beloved hero who wins the cage match, saves his best friend's job, and gets the gorgeous girl!

Independent & Foreign Films

All Together (Unrated) Golden Years comedy about five elderly friends (Jane Fonda, Geraldine Chaplin, Pierre Richard, Claude Rich and Guy Bedos) who decide to live together rather than move to a retirement community. With Daniel Bruhl, Bernard Malaka and Camino Teixeira. (In French and German with subtitles)

Big Foot: The Lost Coast Tapes (Unrated) Found-footage horror flick featuring a skeptical journalist (Drew Rauch) who gets the surprise of his life when he travels to Northern California to expose a supposed Sasquatch sighting as a hoax. Featuring Frank Ashmore, Noah Waisberg and Ashley Wood.

Brooklyn Castle (Unrated) Against-the-odds documentary chronicling the improbable triumphs of the nation's #1, junior high chess team, a motley crew comprised of students from New York City's I.S. 318, a cash-strapped school located in a poverty-stricken neighborhood.

The First Time (PG-13 for profanity, partying, sexuality and mature themes) Coming-of-age romantic comedy revolving around two teenagers (Dylan O'Brien and Britt



Kam's Kapsules

By Kam Williams

Robertson) who embark on a wild weekend after falling in love at first sight at a house party. With Craig Roberts, Christine Taylor and Maggie Elizabeth Jones.

The Flat (Unrated) Never Again documentary examining the shocking truths uncovered by the grandson of a couple of recently-deceased Holocaust survivors while sifting through the treasure trove of personal effects left behind in the Tel Aviv apartment they'd shared since escaping Nazi Germany.

Holy Motors (Unrated) Dawn to dusk drama telescoping in on a day in the parallel lives of a shadowy character (Denis Lavant) capable of shape-shifting from assassin to family man to monster to captain of industry to beggar and back. With Eva Mendes, Edith Scob and Kylie Minogue. (In French, English and Mandarin with subtitles)

My Worst Nightmare (Unrated) Romantic romp

revolving around the love which blossoms between a well-to-do socialite (Isabelle Huppert) and a homeless ex-con (Benoit Poelvoorde) after they meet through their children. Supporting cast includes Andre Dussollier, Virginia Efira and Corentin Devroey. (In French, English, Flemish, German and Japanese with subtitles)

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.

Question One (Unrated) Gay rights documentary about the topsy-turvy battle over same-sex marriage in Maine, where it was legalized by the state legislature, only to be repealed seven months later.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

MEDIA EDUCATION: The Brooklyn Center for Media Education is offering a free orientation on accessing professional studio and field production equipment, or looking for a course that will add to your skill set, 11:00 a.m. at their interim location at 242 Third St. at Third Ave., Brooklyn. No reservations necessary. Seats available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information and directions, visit bricartsmedia.org/bcme or call (718) 683-5605.

VACCINATION CLINICS: Petland Discounts and Luv My Pet is offering low cost dog and cat vaccination clinics in Queens on 10/20 at 91-08 Atlantic Ave., Pathmark Shopping Center, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and at 34-60 48 St., between 48 and Northern, Long Island City, 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.; 10/27 at 171-33 Hillside Ave., between 171 and 172 streets, Jamaica, 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. and 134-40 Springfield Blvd., Pathmark Center, Springfield Gardens, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.; and on 10/28 at 71-39 Kissena Blvd, between Aguilar and 70, 4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. For information, call Amy Eisenberg at (631) 273-6363.

HOUSE TOUR: The Brownstoners of Bedford is holding their 34th Annual House Tour showcasing a collection of the community's finest brownstones and limestone, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., rain or shine, beginning at the historic "Old Boys" High School at 832 Marcy Ave., near the corner of Putnam Ave. Tickets available at Little Red Boutique, (718) 443-1170; Bed-Vyne Wine, (347) 915-1080 and Sista's Place, (718) 398-1766 or visit brownstonersofbedstuy.org.

STATEN ISLAND JAZZ FESTIVAL: Universal Temple of the Arts presents the Staten Island Jazz Festival 25 featuring performances showcasing jazz music, dance, song, art and spoken word with Randy Weston African Rhythms Trio headlining the event, 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Music Hall at Snug Harbor Cultural Center. For more information, visit www.utasi.org/Events.html. For tickets, call (718) 273-5610 or email info@utasi.org.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

SPAY/NEUTER CLINICS: Petland Discounts and the ASPCA-Mobile Unit is offering dog and cat spay and neuter clinics in Queens on 10/21 at 7417 Grand Ave., Stop & Shop Center, Maspeth; 10/22 at 21-11 Broadway, corner 21 St., Rite Aid Shopping Center, Astoria; 10/24 at 9108 Atlantic Ave., Pathmark Center, Ozone Park; 10/26 at 55-52 Myrtle Ave., between Cypress and Putnam, Ridgewood, 10/29 at 71-08 Kissena Blvd., between Aguilar and 71, Kew Garden Hills; 10/30 at 134-40 Springfield Blvd, corner of Meerick Blvd., Springfield Gardens and on 10/31 at Metropolitan Ave., between Rentar and Plaza, Middle Village and 3720 Main St., between 38 and 39 avenues, Flushing. All clinics begining a 7:00 a.m. at all venues. For information, call Amy Eisenberg at (631)



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ONGOING

SISTAS: Sistas: The Musical, an uplifting musical journey of a multi-generational African American family based on a series of interviews conducted with Black 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. Luke's 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 Higginson's Mama Foundation for the Arts presents back-to-back musical matinees every Saturday featuring Sing, Harlem, Sing! at 1:00 p.m. and Mama, I Want To Sing: The Next Generation at 4:30 p.m. at The Dempsey Theater, 127 West 12th St., between Lenox and Seventh

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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

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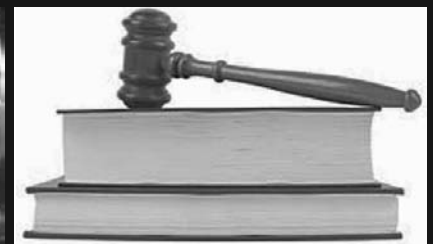
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Film launches salute to Jamaican heroes

The Consulate General of Jamaica in New York inaugurates a film series to celebrate the country's 50th anniversary of Independence and commemorate the spirit of sacrifice and leadership of the nation's heroes. "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay Rebellion" chronicles arguably the bloodiest repression of dissent by the British colonial authorities in Jamaica during the post-emancipation era. The feature film, from the archives of the now defunct Jamaica Broadcasting Corporation, and directed by veteran broadcaster, Cary Robinson, producer of the 'Hill & Gully' TV Series, will be screened at the Bronx Bethany Church of the Nazarene, 971 East 227th St., on Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2012, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The dramatic epic "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay Rebellion" uses the medium of film to place in context the lives, struggles, and, personal sacrifices, of



George William Gordon.

Paul Bogle, George William Gordon and their contemporaries, and response by the government of the day. As reported on Nov. 11, 1865, in less than a month of the island wide conflagration, the New York Times wrote, "It is calculated that about 1,800 of the insurrectionists have been killed in the different engagements that took place with the troops and volunteers, and up to the above-named date, 125 had suffered the extreme penalty of the law."

Jamaica, this week, remembers its national heroes and the indelible mark they made in fashioning the nation's history, strength of character and unique identity by challenging the injustices of colonialism, racism, and poverty.

Established in 1969, as the highest award to be conferred on any citizen who has "rendered the most distinguished service to the country", the Order of National Hero has been conferred on one woman and six men: Nanny, outstanding military leader during the First Maroon War; Sam Sharpe, for leadership in the resistance against slavery during the rebellion of 1831; Paul Bogle and George Gordon, for their roles against social injustices in post-emancipation, colonial Jamaica during the rebellion of 1865; Marcus Garvey for his commitment to social and political betterment on the country's racial majority; Alexander Bustamante and Norman Manley, as architects of

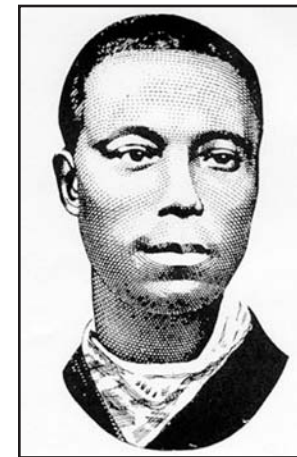
political independence.

George William Gordon was born in 1820 to an enslaved black mother and a white plantation owner father. He was a shopkeeper, produce dealer, Baptist preacher and landowner. Gordon entered politics as an advocate for the poverty-stricken peasants in the largely rural parish of St. Thomas-in-the-East which he represented in House of Assembly. Additionally, his bitter criticism of Lt. Gov. Edward Eyre alienated him from much of the plantocracy.

There are conflicting reports if Paul Bogle was born free in 1820, 16 years before the end of slavery in the British Empire. However, by 1865 he was a Baptist deacon of significant reputation and one of handful of black landowners on the island with significant holdings. His 500 acres qualified him to vote in local elections and was a political adherent of Assembly member, George William Gordon.

Responding to the worsening social and economic situations in the decades following emancipation Paul Bogle led a delegation to take their complaints to the governor. The audience was denied. On Oct. 11, 1865, Bogle and about 300 men marched into Morant Bay and raided the police station. They then marched to the Court House where the local authorities were meeting. The resulting confrontation resulted in the governor's representative and fifteen vestrymen being killed, 51 prisoners freed, and the courthouse razed. After the imposition of martial law, George William Gordon was seized from his home in southern parish of St. Andrew, convicted of treason and hanged on Oct. 23. Bogle was eventually captured by the Portland Maroons, was court-martialed and executed, along with his brother Moses, on Oct. 24.

The screening of "Time of Fury – The 1865 Morant Bay



Paul Bogle.

Rebellion," on the 147 anniversary of the revolt, will be held under the patronage of Consul General of Jamaica in New York, Hon. Herman LaMont and hosted by Rev. Sam Vassal of the Bronx Bethany Church of the Nazarene. The public is invited to this celebration of another aspect of Jamaica at 50, as we reflect on the past and reimagine the future.

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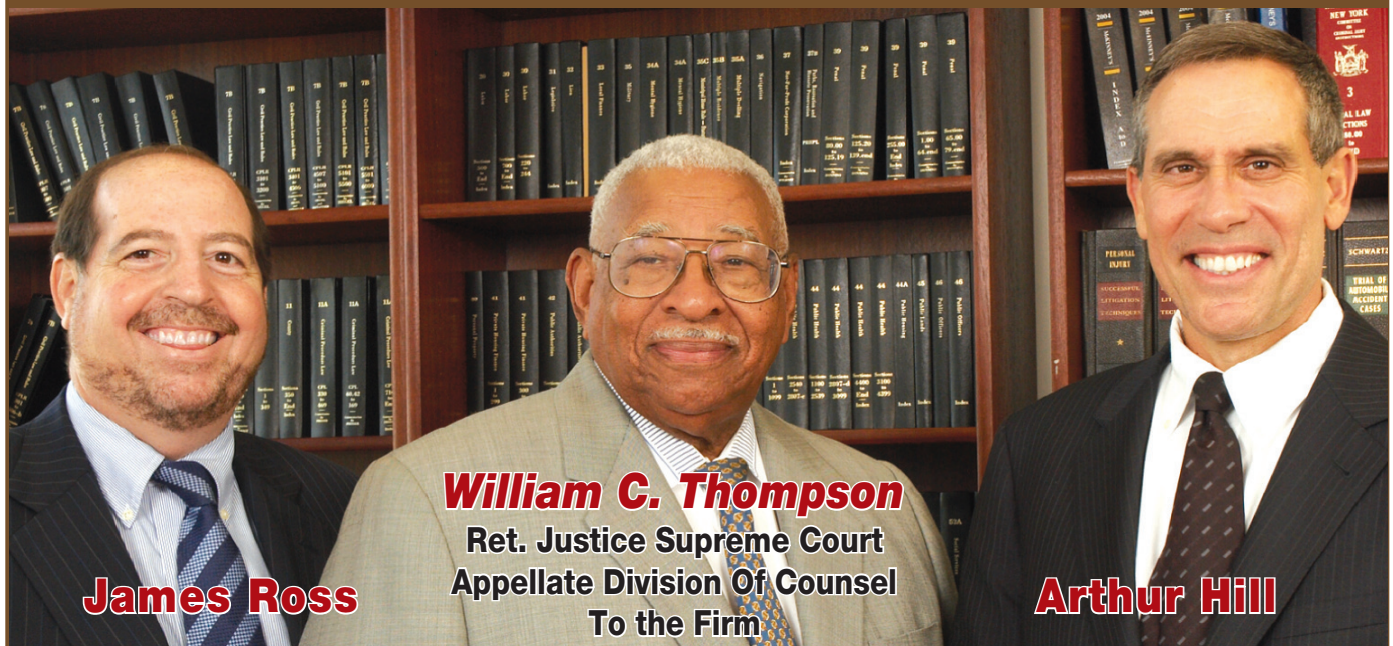
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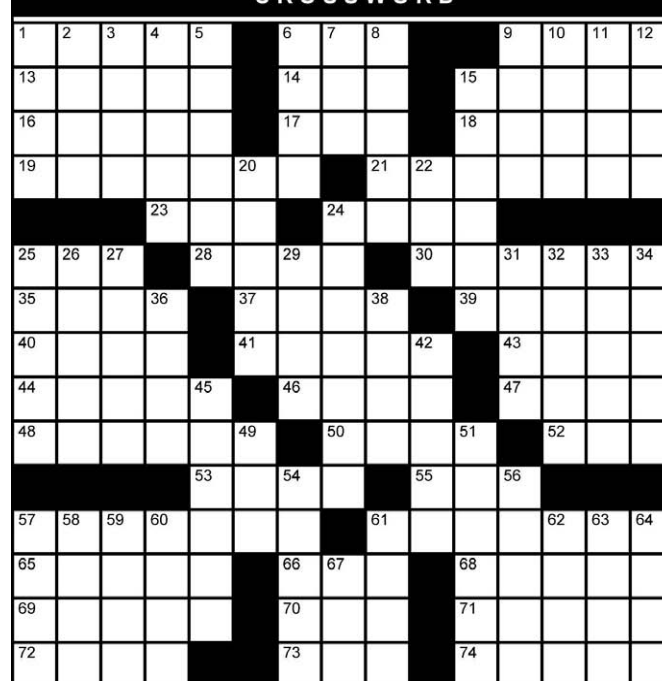
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17. NFL QB ___ Newton
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32. People of the land of silk, to Ancient Greeks
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SPORTS

Emmanuel looks ahead

By Robert Elkin

While Alac Peinkofer, a senior at Baldwinsville High School, in upstate New York, captured the Varsity 'B' section in 12:49.8, the first Uniondale (New York) athlete to cross the finish line was Najden Emmanuel. In the sport of cross country, Uniondale as team is not strong as they are in track and field and they may not be 'up there' in the Section Eight cross-country championship coming up in November at Bethpage State Park.

Emmanuel clocked in at 15:29.3, which earned him 117th place in a field of around 200 runners. He thinks that he did good in the race since athletes came from all over the United States in a meet that drew teams from 12 states.

Before the race started, Coach Elijah Blue, who has a tremendous track background, told his student athlete to keep pushing up his knees.

"Blue told me to push through the hills, and don't stop," Emmanuel said after the all-day festivities that drew some college recruiters, especially for those coaches on the next level who did not have meets of their own or those who sent somebody from their college staff to New York to examine

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Jamaican Olympians

By Azad Ali

Jamaican athletes will share about J\$30 million for their exploits in the London Olympics last August.

The figure was announced by the government recently, which is half of the \$60 million being spent to reward and celebrate the athletes in a grand home coming for the



Jamaican Olympian Herbert McKenley. AP Photo

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JAMAICA, USA ADVANCE

United States forward Clint Dempsey (8) gets past Guatemala midfielder Marco Pablo Pappa (16) during the second half of a World Cup qualifying soccer match in Kansas City, Kan., Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2012. AP Photo/Reed Hoffmann

Qualify for final round of CONCACAF

By Patrick Horne

Thanks to Dane Richards, the Jamaica Reggae Boyz qualified for the final round of CONCACAF qualifying for the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil with a 4-1 defeat of Antigua/ Barbuda in Jamaica last Tuesday night. The Reggae Boyz got

help from the USA, which beat Guatemala, 3-1, to win Group A with 13 points and force Guatemala into a second-place tie with Jamaica, both on 10 points. Jamaica's plus-three goal difference, two better than Guatemala's, made the difference. The win was Jamaica's seventh straight at home in

World Cup qualifying.

It was nervous time for Jamaica, which lost in Guatemala 2-1 the previous weekend and fell to third place on seven points while the USA and Guatemala sat atop the group with 10 points; coming home to

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Jamaican Olympians honored

Emmanuel

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Heroes Day week-end later this month.

The activities will include a church serviced, a cocktail reception to be hosted by Prime Minister Portia Simpson-Miller followed by the main public event at the National Arena.

"This celebration is for individuals who have represented their country and communities in an excellent way and will be an appreciation of them," said Minister with responsibility for Sport Natalie Neita-Headley.

Individual gold medal winners will receive a cash gift of J\$1 million, silver and medal winners J\$750,000 and bronze medalist \$500,000.

An athlete making the final, will collect J\$350,000, while each participant will take home J\$250,000.

Relay gold medal winners will receive J\$3 million, silver J\$2.4 million and bronze medalist J\$1.8 million.

The rest of the money will cover other expenditures ranging from the prime minister's reception, airfare and accommodation to the main event at



Olympic sprinting champion Usain Bolt, top, poses for a photo with children while attending the annual national awards ceremony on National Heroes Day in Kingston, Jamaica, Monday, Oct. 15, 2012.

AP Photo/Collin Reid

the national arena. A highlight of the day will be a wreath-laying and unveiling of a headstone for Her-

bert McKenley, the world's fastest 400-meter runner about 50 years ago.

Fifty athletes in four

sporting disciplines – track and field, swimming, taekwondo and equestrian – represented Jamaica at the

London Olympics.

Jamaica won a record 12 medals – four gold, four silver and four bronze.

their future prospects.

Emmanuel's father Hogarth grew up in Haiti where he played soccer and is still doing the same with his friends. Hogarth tries to give pointers to his son about running and help him become a better runner.

"He tells me about my stride, and about mental focus," the student athlete said. "I could picture in my head that I could do it (run)."

Hogarth, who came to New York when he was about 14-15 years of age, attended high school in Brooklyn.

Last year as a Uniondale junior, he ran in about 17 minutes in this same race of the Manhattan College high school meet. He lowered his time by about two minutes.

"I improved myself by training and lifting weights," he said. "I strengthened every part of my body. I've trained as hard as I can, pushed through every time and didn't stop."

He felt that it was exciting to run with and against so many athletes and schools. He has to push through and focus every time on the course or on the track.

Jamaica, U.S.A. advance to CONCACAF finals

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host Antigua/Barbuda, the Reggae Boyz hoped to win by at least three goals, but it meant a Guatemala loss by at least two goals. A draw between the USA and Guatemala in Kansas City, Kansas on the same night meant that Jamaica's World Cup hopes would be dashed.

After Demar Phillips and Nyron Nosworthy gave Jamaica a 2-0 halftime lead off corner kicks and put it even on goal difference with Guatemala, which was losing 2-1 in the USA at the moment; it now seemed that the Reggae Boyz were well on their way to that goal difference edge to advance; Jamaica was even in goal difference with Guatemala, but Quinton Griffith's 61st minute goal for the visitors made it only a 2-1 margin. Richards became the savior when advancing looked bleak

again for Jamaica as the goal difference was only a plus-one.

Richards stepped up his game in the last 12 minutes of play, first by latching onto a Rodolph Austin cross to registered Jamaica's third goal in the 78th minute; 10 minutes later, Richards registered the insurance goal that had the Jamaica National Stadium in an uproar. The news of the USA-Guatemala result had been known just before Jamaica's game ended, but Richards' goals gave Jamaica the needed plus-three goal difference. Jamaica is the only Caribbean team in the six-team group and advance to the final round of qualifying; it qualified for the World Cup in 1998.

In the USA-Guatemala contest in front of a sell-out crowd of 16, 947, Clint Dempsey scored twice and Captain Carlos Bocanegra

once to eliminate Guatemala. The visitors forged ahead through Carlos Ruiz's fifth-minute goal after a lapse in the U. S. defense, but the Americans roared back with goals from Bocanegra (10th), off a Dempsey assist, and Dempsey (18th), from an Eddie Johnson cross, to forge ahead. Dempsey's final tally, off a Michael Bradley pass, came in the 36th minute and ended Guatemala's campaign. Bocanegra's 14th international goal now makes him the all-time leading scorer among U.S. defenders.

In Group B, hosts Mexico (18 pts.) won its sixth straight game with a 2-0 win over El Salvador to win the group and advance to the final round; goals by Oribe Peralta and Javier Hernández paced Mexico. Hosts Costa Rica (10 pts.) registered a 7-0 victory over Guyana and

finished second in the group to advance. Costa Rica got goal from Randall Brenes (2), Alvaro Saborio (2), Cristian Gamboa, Cristian Bolanos and Celso Borges. El Salvador (5 pts.) and Guyana (1 pt.) have been eliminated.

Honduras (11 pts.) pummeled Canada (10 pts.) into an 8-1 defeat to win Group C and end Canada's qualifying campaign. Panama and Cuba played to a 1-1 tie, which sent Panama (11 pts.) into the final round as the second place team. Hosts Honduras got goals from Jerry Bengtson (3), Carlo Costly (3), and Mario Martinez (2) to win the group by goal difference. Cuba (1 pt.) was also eliminated.

Trinidad, French Guyana advance

Trinidad and Tobago (9 pts.) and surprising French Guyana (6 pts.) qualified



United States's Clint Dempsey, left, shoots past Jamaica's Adrian Mariappa during the first half of a World Cup qualifying soccer match, Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012, in Columbus, Ohio.

AP Photo/Jay LaPrete

from Group Five in the 2012 Digicel Caribbean Championship qualifying in St. Kitts and Nevis. The host and Anguilla were eliminated. Trinidad and Tobago won it three games, beating French Guyana (4-1), St. Kitts and

Nevis (1-0) and Anguilla (10-0). French Guyana topped Anguilla (4-1) and knocked off St. Kitts and Nevis (3-0) after losing to Trinidad and Tobago. St. Kitts/Nevis' only win came against Anguilla (2-0).

Windies Test players need special preparation

Admired the big win against Sri Lanka in the ICC World Twenty20, the West Indies players will have to improve their game to the "A" level in order to gradually reach the top of the ICC rankings. Much more concentration and skills will have to be exhibited on the field and the selectors will have the first responsibility of choosing a balanced squad.

Head Coach Ottis Gibson has to identify areas of weaknesses and have those quickly modified to face the huge challenges ahead. Some improvements are needed regarding field placements, which are the responsibility of the captain and players have to hold on to catches. Settling down and building partnerships must be priorities among batsmen in the Test matches.

West Indies name squad for Bangladesh

West Indies selectors named 15 players to tour



Eyes on Cricket

By George H. Whyte

Bangladesh next month. Darren Sammy [Captain], Denesh Ramdin [Vice Captain], Jino Best, Darren Bravo, Shivnarine Chanderpaul, Narsingh Deonarine, Kirk Edwards, Assad Fudadin, Chris Gayle, Sunil Narine, Ravi Rampaul, Kemar Roach, Marlon Samuels, Veerasammy Permaul and Kieron Powell.

VeeraSammy Permaul Gets the nod

Guyanese left-arm spinner Veerasammy Permaul gets the opportunity to tour with the West Indies Senior Team to Bangladesh. Permaul has been very impressive with the West Indies "A" team and in regional cricket. In his first class career for five years, he took 152 wickets at an average of 24:59 from 45 matches. At 23 years old, Permaul has

been a very penetrative bowler. The squad named by the West Indies is reasonably balanced and the players should give a good account of themselves. The bowling department is strong with Kemar Roach, Ravi Rampaul, Jino Best, Sunil Narine and Narsingh Deonarine. The West Indies bowling is well balanced with pace and spin bowlers. The batting is intact with Chris Gayle at the helm along with other senior players such as Marlon Samuels and Shivnarine Chanderpaul. Darren Bravo, Kieron Powell, Kirk Edwards and Narsingh Deonarine are in the squad to boost the batting. The squad is experienced and the younger players have the opportunity of proving themselves.

Adrian Barath left out

Trinidad and Tobago's



West Indies's captain Darren Sammy celebrates after West Indies beat Sri Lanka to win the ICC Twenty20 Cricket World Cup in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Sunday, Oct. 7, 2012.

AP Photo/Gemunu Amarasinghe

opening batsman Adrian Barath was not included in the squad for the tour to Bangladesh. Barath has been out of form but this does not mean that this should be the end of his career with the West Indies. He should have been included in this touring party to Bangladesh. Every player goes through a bad season and comes back with flying colors.

Investing in players and after a short period of time discarding those players is not the correct direction to go. Barath is a splendid player to watch. He strikes the ball well and he is not afraid to play his shots; he is always filled with confidence. It must be remembered that Barath scored a century on debut in Australia against Australia. In spite of Barath's exclusion, the West Indies should be on their way back up the Test ladder. The West Indies team has a talented group of players who should perform credibly.

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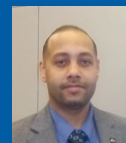
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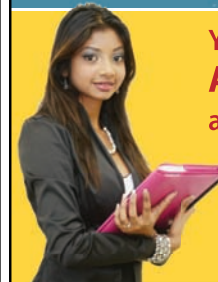
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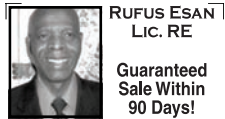
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