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Caribbean Heritage Month at Borough Hall

Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams on Wednesday, June 3 proclaimed June 2014 as Caribbean Heritage Month in Brooklyn, known by many as the "Caribbean capital of America," during a news conference in the rotunda of Brooklyn Borough Hall. The borough is home to the largest such population outside of the Caribbean region. From left, Edmond Sadio, CACCI membership chairman, Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams, CACCI President Roy A. Hastick, Sr. and Deputy Borough Diana Reyna.

Photo by Lem Peterkin

Milestone tribute at Brooklyn seaside

By Vinette K. Pryce

The silver anniversary sojourn to Coney Island will mark a landmark Tribute to the Ancestors ceremony on June 14 when faithful celebrants gather at 16th St. & Ancestor's Circle at Coney Island Boardwalk gather to mark the treacherous sea voyage Africans made across the Middle Passage to reach this continent.

It has been 25 years since People of the Sun Middle Passage

begun what has become an annual tradition of acknowledging the watery death trail from the African continent to the Americas. With flowers, music, and a ritual that ends with a seaside tribute to the ancestors that recalls the contribution of cultural icons who have enhanced the state of the community.

This year a long list of ancestors add to the multitudes lost at sea, during slavery and more

recently to natural causes.

Among them: poet Maya Angelou, Pan-African activist Elombe Brath, poet Amiri Baraka, former South African President Nelson Mandela, Mississippi Mayor Chokwe Lumumba, Dr. Mary Umola (founding member of the Collective) and on the 51st anniversary of his assassination Medgar Wiley Evers. The ceremony begins at noon and ends at sundown.

WALTER RODNEY INQUIRY

Foggy details at Guyana hearings

By Bert Wilkinson

The Commission of Inquiry investigating the June 1980 bombing assassination of world renowned Caribbean academic Walter Rodney heated up in his native Guyana this week with explosive revelations from a key member of a former pro-government sect that was openly linked to the PNC administration of Prime Minister Forbes Burnham and allegations that it had done a string of dirty jobs for the the Burnham regime.

Dr. Rodney, 37, the man who had authored the defining piece on European colonialism, "How Europe Underdeveloped Africa" -- was killed on a dark city street in Georgetown when a two-way radio set he was allegedly given by an undercover army sergeant exploded in his lap as he drove near the main city prison. His quantity sur-

veyor brother, Donald, who was in the car with him was injured as and is in the line-up to testify in the hearings. He lives overseas.

It is clear from evidence emerging from the hearings so far, that it is providing interesting political fodder for the governing People's Progressive Party (PPP) which has been openly toying with the idea of holding snap elections in the coming months, to divert attention from the negative press it has garnered with regard to problems it has had with a combined opposition that controls the 65-seat parliament.

So far, most of the witnesses -- including Rodney's elder brother Eddie, Eusi Kwayana -- the leader who co-founded the Working People's Alliance (WPA) with Rodney in the mid-70s and others, have pointed fingers at the PNC, even

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THE NEWS FROM BACK HOME

Antigua

A major poll is suggesting the ruling United Progressive Party (UPP) has a major lead just weeks ahead of the June 12 General Election in Antigua and Barbuda.

The CASURO poll gives the UPP an eight (8) percent advantage over the opposition Antigua Labor Party (ALP).

For the question, which party will you vote for its elections are held today – 46 percent said the UPP while 38 percent said ALP.

Fifteen (15) percent of voters are still undecided according to the CASURO poll, which was conducted over a two-week period ending May 15, 2014.

The pollsters say 1,228 people were questioned over 15 constituencies and the poll had a margin of error of three (3) per cent.

The pollsters say similar to their February poll, strong support is evident for the UPP and in three (3) constituencies it lost in 2009.



Bahamas

U.S. Charge d'Affaires John Dinkelman said recently he could not confirm or deny allegations that the U.S. National Security Agency (NSA) is recording and archiving every cell phone conversation in the Bahamas.

But Dinkelman said the relationship between the United States and The Bahamas has never been stronger. "The United States government is working closely with the government of The Bahamas to meet any queries that the government of The Bahamas may have regarding any programs that the United States is engaged in" the U.S. Charge d'Affaires said.

Dinkelman was joined by Governor General Sir Arthur Foulkes and Minister of National Security Dr. Bernard Nottage for a wreath-laying ceremony at Clifton Pier in commemoration of Memorial Day.

The government of The Bahamas has demanded an explanation from the United States over the documents, which were leaked by former NSA analyst Edward Snowden.

According to the documents leaked by Snowden, the NSA is



Combating climate change

Erle Rahaman-Noronha cutting produce on his farm. See story on page 16.

IPS/Mark Olalde

using a surveillance system called SOMALGET to collect and store "full-take audio" of every mobile call made in The Bahamas and storing it for up to 30 days.

The story first appeared on the news website The Intercept.

According to WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange, the only other country where the NSA records and archives every cell phone conversation is Afghanistan.

Cayman Islands

Four Cuban migrants were arrested and three remain in custody after yet another near-riot among detainees in the Cayman Islands, who are awaiting deportation.

The Cayman News Service (CNS) said police, immigration officials, prison officers and even fire crews were all called to the Fairbanks Immigration Detention Center recently after the disturbance broke out at the facility.

The CNS said the men were said to be threatening staff and to burn down the facility as tensions among the migrants mounted as a

result of deportation problems.

Premier Alden McLaughlin said local authorities are due to meet with Cuban officials this month (June) to review the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), stating that the reparation timelines need to be addressed.

He warned that any more arrivals of Cuban migrants could matter even worse.

Guyana

An Australian company announced recently that it plans to open a large-scale gold mine in the South American country of Guyana this year.

Perth-based Troy Resources Limited said it plans to produce an initial 90,000 ounces of gold annually.

Minister of Mining Robert Persaud said the company expects to invest about \$90 million to develop the mine and that it already has imported a \$5 million grinding mill.

The mine would open in Guyana's northwest Cuyuni region and would employ about 500 workers.

It would be the first gold mine

to open since Omai Gold Mines Ltd, a consortium between Guyana's government and a Canadian company, ceased operations in 2005.

The mine was once considered one of the largest open pit gold mines in the world and it closed after waste overflowed into a nearby dam causing an environmental disaster.

Jamaica

A 14-year-old boy was arrested and charged with the murder of a nine-year-old boy in the western parish of St. James recently.

The teenager appeared in court in the western city of Montego Bay and the case was adjourned to later this month.

The charge came after police discovered the body of Romain Robinson in some bushes last week.

Police investigators say the teenager and his brother were taken into custody and questioned but released the same day.

Investigators returned to the community and arrested the 14-year-old after he reportedly

confessed to killing Romain, who was said to be his close friend.

St. Lucia

The Eastern Caribbean Central Bank (ECCB) has advised that there are EC\$100 counterfeit notes in circulation in the Eastern Caribbean.

The bank states that in circulation is a fake money bill which is photo copied or printed poorly.

"They will appear smaller than regular bills and lack the unique security features of the ECCB issued bank noted," it said.

The bank has advised that some of the existing security features of EC bank noted include a see-through feature.

The EC bank notes are in denominations of \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100.



Suriname

Suriname, which has announced plans to remove the death penalty from its criminal books, says it will increase the maximum jail term for life sentences from 20 to 30 years.

Justice and Police Minister Edward Belfort said in addition to increasing the jail term for life sentences usually reserved for heinous crimes, the government is also moving to increase the jail term for criminals convicted of committing lesser crimes from 15 to 20 years.

Belfort said the amendments are related to a draft modification of the Criminal Code that will soon be sent to the National Assembly for consideration.

The revised code will no longer feature the death penalty that Belfort described as an outdated piece of legislation that is irreversible once it is carried out.

The justice minister has been vocal about scrapping capital punishment, saying in March that "countries that apply it would be expected to be the safest countries in the world, yet still have many murders committed on a daily basis."

Trinidad

The Trinidad and Tobago gov-

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Get on board for 'Project Grenada'

By Nelson A. King

Grenada Prime Minister Dr. Keith Mitchell has called on nationals at home and in the Diaspora to join "Project Grenada," a program in which he said all nationals should come together for the socio-economic development of the country.

"We firmly believe in the issue of 'Project Grenada,'" Mitchell told a town hall meeting in Brooklyn, New York on Sunday night, flanked on stage by Peter David, a former foreign affairs and tourism minister in the now opposition National Democratic Congress (NDC), who recently joined the incumbent New National Party (NNP).

Mitchell, whose NNP swept all 15 seats in the general elections in Grenada about 1 ½ years ago, was also flanked by Attorney General and Minister of Legal Affairs Elvin Nimrod and Minister of Health and Social Services Clarice Modeste.

"We're not only talking the talk, but we're going to walk the talk," said the prime minister, on the first leg of a North American tour that will also take his delegation to Toronto and Miami.

"I had a lot of fight with the trade union movement," he added. "For us to succeed, we need everybody on board with 'Project Grenada'. It was then I called on brother Chester Humphrey (trade union leader) to join with 'Project Grenada', join me in bringing hope to Grenada, Carriacou and Petit Martinique.

"We meet as leaders of trade unions, businesses, the community, churches...to develop Grenada, Carriacou and Petit Martinique," continued Mitchell, stating that he would eventually like to see the initiative taken to the wider Caribbean.

He said it was because of "Project Grenada" that David has decided to join the NNP.

"I believe Peter understood this," the Grenadian



PM Keith Mitchell addressing town hall meeting at Mahalia Jackson Intermediate School in Brooklyn.

Photo by Nelson A. King

leader said. "The NNP is the beneficiary of Peter's work. We welcome Peter on board. Peter has decided to join the people of Grenada, Carriacou and Petit Martinique.

"If it's one thing we can do for our country, we must lift the bar," he added. "If we don't stop that (disunity and political tribalism), our children and grand children will not respect us. I'm here to right the wrongs of the past."

Earlier, in his address, David, who was expelled from the NDC, said: "While I've struggled in many respects, it's an absolute joy to serve the people of Grenada, Carriacou and Petit Martinique.

"I stand here as a member of the New National Party," said David, who was general secretary of the NDC for over 10 years. "I really want to thank the grassroots members of the NNP.

"For more than one and a half years, we observed one thing that stood out: the people of Grenada are tired of tribalism," he added. "One thing is the new approach of the leader of the NNP.

"Dr. Mitchell has evolved. We have evolved based on our experiences," continued David, noting Mitchell's "inclusive approach to governance" and "message of unity, of reconciliation, of 'Project Grenada'.



East Orange Cheerleaders performing in front of East Orange City Hall, New Jersey.

Photo by Tangerine Clarke

Guyanese in East Orange celebrate Independence

By Tangerine Clarke

Lester E Taylor III, newly-elected mayor of East Orange, New Jersey, said it was an honor to commemorate Guyana's 48th Independence in the City of East Orange, a community that boasts the second highest population of Guyanese Americans in all of the United States.

Looking out at a sea of Caribbean flags that littered the tarmac of City Hall, the politician called on the diverse gathering to applaud the large Guyanese population that call the city their new home.

The politician, reminiscing about 1966 when Guyana was freed from British rule, outlined the significance of the five colors of the Golden Arrowhead, Guyana's flag, and the role it played in the country's journey towards development.

"I want to thank everyone for coming out to celebrate,

and for being a part of this great event, said Taylor, who added that his wife, mother-in-law and children are all Guyanese.

"Guyana and its people are warm and inviting," he added.

The elected official promised that his council and staff would make a continued effort to improve the lives of all residents of East Orange.

President of Guyana Donald Ramotar, extended Independence greetings in a written statement to the Guyanese residents of East Orange. He told the expatriates that their county was proud of their achievements.

"Guyana deeply values the ongoing commitment and contributions citizens make to their homeland," the message states.

Activist Colin Moore, in turn, spoke of the pride he felt when then Lieuten-

ant Desmond Roberts of the Guyana Defense Force, pulled down the British Union Jack flag after 172 years, and hoisted the Golden Arrowhead, that soared like an eagle over the magnificent Demerara sky.

"I remember feeling exhilaration, and national pride as we sang the national anthem," said Moore.

"We have come today to recapture that pride," added Moore, who in his remarks spoke of Guyana's past struggles and for a better tomorrow.

Community Liaison Molly Berry extended greetings from Consulate General Brentnold Evans, while Dr. Sandra Harte, who pioneered flag raising in Irvington, NJ, lauded the committee for their efforts.

President Ira Lewis, and Executive Secretary Allison Butters-Grant and Tricina Sobers of the Guyana American Heritage Foundation

Inc., then joined Mayor Taylor and Guyanese American veterans Selton and Damon Shelton in hoisting the flag over City Hall at the 8th Annual ceremony.

A multi-cultural presentation that included renditions by Masters Isiah Williams and Marlon Soloman, drum salutes by Akoya Rudder and Menes DeGroit engaged the crowd in merriment.

The Omega International Dance School, East Orange Cheerleaders and Satia D. Bajinath also celebrated Guyana's freedom.

Mayor Taylor handed out certificates of Appreciation to Master Drummer Menes DeGroit, Colin Moore and others who made contributions to the community.

Dr. Megan Massay Pandit Suresh Sugrim and Ashraf Latif blessed the evening's proceedings, while "Frankin Bobby Veira did Emcee duties.



President Barack Obama meets with Canada's Governor General Michaëlle Jean in Ottawa, Canada, Thursday, Feb. 19, 2009.

AP Photo/Charles Dharapak, File

TRAILBLAZERS OF THE CARIBBEAN

By Vinette K. Pryce

Not enough can ever be said of the long list of names from French, Dutch, Spanish and the English Caribbean nations who have left indelible imprints on the continents and nations they settled.

The United States is home to millions of Caribbean nationals. The U.S. Census' conservative estimate claims a total of 3.5 million immigrants or 9 percent of the total foreign-born population. More than 90 percent of these immigrants came from Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Haiti, and Trinidad and Tobago. Cuban immigrants in particular have been among the top ten foreign-born groups

in the United States each decade since 1970. Distinguished in politics, entertainment, sports and science Caribbean achievers include: former US Secretary of State and Army General Colin Powell, Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, Usain Bolt, Brian Lara, Byron Lee, Tessanne Chin, Cicely Tyson, Cool DJ Herc, Bob Marley, Rihanna, Nicky Minaj, Marcus Mosiah Garvey, Wyclef Jean, Slinger Francisco, Calypso Rose, actors Sidney Poitier, Sheryl Lee Ralph, Madge Sinclair and Harry Belafonte with myriads more to be lauded for their trailblazing contributions to enhancing progress.

During Caribbean Heritage Month as proclaimed

by President Barack Obama, Caribbean Life acknowledges and recognizes a few pioneering Caribbean immigrants to England, France, Canada and the USA who have distinguished themselves as trailblazers.

Lesser advanced in the media is the political contributions of Mary Eugenia Charles from Dominica. Although hailed as the first female prime minister in the Caribbean region, in fact she was the second after Lucinda da Costa who was elected the prime minister of the Netherland Antilles (former Dutch Antilles). Known now as the ABC Islands of Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao, five municipalities (Saba and Sint. Eustatius) now com-



Calypso Rose.

Photo by Sharon R. Bennett

prise the Dutch-speaking territories.

Jamaican Diane Abbott was the first Black elected to the House of Commons in England, 1987. Acclaimed Jamaican dub poet Linton Kwesi Johnson continues to

make an impression in England by voicing the concerns of the down-trodden.

Claude McKay was a key figure in the Harlem Renaissance. The Jamaica-born poet penned the poem "If We Must Die." He also wrote "Home To Harlem" and "Harlem Shadows."

Haiti-born Michaëlle Jean was the first Black to be named Governor General of Canada. Her tenure from 2005 to 2010 was visited by America's first Black President Barack Obama.

Trinidad & Tobago's CLR JAMES was a playwright, author and authority on the game of cricket.

Oliver Samuels, a comedian/actor who consistently hails a Caribbean genre that

spotlights Jamaican patois.

Franz Fanon, born in Martinique, the writer and freedom fighter wrote "The Wretched of the Earth"

From Haiti, Dutty Boukman (Jamaican-born Haitian), freedom fighters and liberators Toussaint L'Ouverture, Jean Jacques Dessaline Henri Christophe and dictator Francois Duvalier.

Sir Grantley Adams – Barbadian proponent for a united Caribbean region. He was Prime Minister of the West Indies Federation from 1958 to 1962.

Michael Manley was Jamaica's fourth Prime minister. A proponent of democratic socialism, he advanced a progressive political policy that advocated African identity and independence from colonial tendencies. His father Norman was one of the founding fathers of the nation and was elected Premier of the island.

Sir Alexander Bustamante was elected Jamaica's first Prime Minister. His leadership paved a course for the rest of the English-speaking Caribbean to follow when his island-nation became the first independent nation in the region in 1962.

Sir Eric Williams was the first Prime Minister of Trinidad & Tobago (1962-1981). Known by his writings as the "Father of a Nation" he also penned "Capitalism & Slavery."

Walter Rodney is Guyana's best-known historian and revolutionary.

Derek Walcott is St. Lucia's best ambassador. He was the first Nobel winning poet laureate from the Caribbean.

Prime Minister Maurice Bishop of Grenada (1979-1983) was a revolutionary who along with his People's Revolutionary Movement led a coup against the Grenadian government to form the People's Revolutionary Government.

Fidel Castro established communist rule on the Spanish island of Cuba by leading a guerilla attack against the government. He was the longest-ruling leader (1959 to 2008) in the Caribbean region. He surrendered his leadership to his brother Raul who still governs the nation.

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Education a priority for Caribs

By Nelson A. King

Stating that the United States is expanding cooperation with its Caribbean partners, as it promotes social justice and “grow prosperity throughout the Americas, U.S. President Barack Obama has proclaimed June as National Caribbean-American Herit-

age Month, 2014.

Obama also said that the U.S. is seeking to “create new educational opportunities for young people across the Caribbean basin, as well as for Caribbean Americans in our own communities.

“We are also working to advance commonsense immigration reform that

will allow future generations of Caribbean Americans to share their talents with our nation,” he said in a White House proclamation.

“Caribbean Americans are part of a great national tradition, descendants of hopeful, striving people who journeyed to our lands

in search of a better life,” he added, stating that they were “drawn by a belief in the power of opportunity, a belief that, through hard work and sacrifice, they could provide their children with chances they had never known.

“Thanks to these oppor-
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President Barack Obama.

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Dr. Aletha Maybank Health Commissioner

By Nelson A. King

Dr. Aletha Maybank is the Antiguan American Assistant Commissioner in the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) and serves as the director of the Brooklyn District Public Health Office, in Central Brooklyn, since April 2009.

Dr. Maybank said the mission of the District Public Health Offices is to reduce health inequalities and promote health equity across New York City by targeting resources, programs and attention to high-need neighborhoods in the South Bronx, East and Central Harlem, and North and Central Brooklyn.

Prior to this, Dr. Maybank was founding director of the Office of Minority Health (OMH) in the Suffolk County Department of Health Services in Long Island since its launch in 2005.

Under her leadership, the Suffolk County Office of Minority Health addressed the alarming health inequities and barriers to care for racial and ethnic minorities in Suffolk County through strategic implementation of the CLAS (Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services) Standards and by working with communities to build relationships that encouraged equitable interactions.

In 2007, Dr. Maybank, along with faculty at the



Dr. Aletha Maybank. Photo by Nelson A. King

Center for Public Health and Health Policy Research at Stony Brook University, co-founded the Suffolk County Minority Health Action Coalition, which now involves over 50 community stakeholders – all interested in improving the health outcomes of minority communities in Suffolk County.

Currently, Dr. Maybank serves on the Board of the New York State Public Health Association and the Executive Committee of the Empire State Medical Association, the NYS affiliate of the National Medical Association.

She also serves as Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Masters in Public Health Program at Long Island University Brooklyn Campus and on the voluntary faculty as Clinical Instructor at SUNY.

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Three-pronged approach to expand Garifuna arts, culture

By José Francisco Ávila

As we conclude Garifuna Arts & Culture Appreciation Month in New York City, in honor of UNESCO's proclamation of the Garifuna Language, Dance and Music as a Masterpiece of the Oral and Intangible Heritage of Humanity, we'd like to share our plan to make New York City the epicenter of the Garifuna Arts & Culture Economy. The plan will be based on a three-prong approach, expand our strategic marketing efforts, organize the Garifuna Arts & Culture sector, and find ways to expose Garifuna artists and arts-based businesses to new markets.

Through original reporting and highly curated aggregate content, Garifuna Life will reflect the diversity and broad spectrum of daily thought and opinion within the Garifuna-American community.

While the Garifuna intangible cultural heritage has enriched New York City's cultural landscape since 1823, there is no medium to draw citywide audiences into the Garifuna Arts & Culture sector. Therefore, in

an effort to find ways to expose Garifuna artists and arts-based businesses to new markets, we will continue our strategic marketing by upscaling this series of articles into the Garifuna Life Newsletter/Magazine with the aim to become the premiere online destination for Garifuna-American cultural insight, news and perspective. Through original reporting and highly curated aggregate content, Garifuna Life will reflect the diversity and broad spectrum of daily thought and opinion within the Garifuna-American community.

As part of this effort, we will continue to support Don Juleon Rochez' Puntalogy Radio Show, The Science of Garifuna Music with the objective of bringing Garifuna music to the mainstream. To assist him reach his objective to inform, educate and entertain, we will feature a Music section that will include review and analysis of current and classic Garifuna music by the various artists. (Click here for an example) In addition, we plan to partner in organizing public forums, seminars, lectures, symposium, etc. about the Garifuna Arts & culture sector.

To develop the Garifuna Arts & Culture Sector, we will assist in organizing the Garifuna art-

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Intellectual property rights

By José Francisco Ávila

Local creative economy development requires a functioning system of intellectual property rights. [1] These rights provide opportunities in several ways, as they regulate ownership, add value and facilitate trade in cultural goods and services, thus benefitting individual creators as well as creative communities. The incentives and rewards they afford encourage investment and the development of sustainable business models, helping to produce lasting economic and social benefits. They give authors and other creators the exclusive right to control the use of their literary, artistic, musical and dramatic works for a limited period of time (subject to certain limitations and permitted exceptions).

As cultural expression is forged by a wide cross-section of society, copyright policies and regulations can facilitate the creation of economic opportunities that penetrate through to the grass-roots level. They are a necessary instrument for the integration of community based creativity into the national and global economy. Intellectual property rights thus enhance the local development potential of culture, notably among the least developed countries.

On July 18, 2013, I wrote an article entitled "Garifuna Music Business: Ichahówarügüti vs Intellectual Property", and I shared that nineteen years after the "Sopa de Caracol" Conch Soup controversy, there were only 35 Garifuna titles registered with the U.S. Copyright Office and only 12 had been authored by Garinagu. To date, there are 48 and 20, seven new

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ones since the article and one that was brought to my attention recently, which was registered in 2008! Following is a breakdown by year: 1979 1, 1995-1999 6, 2002-2014 13

The "World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)" "one of the 17 specialized agencies of the United Nations, which was created in 1967 "to encourage creative activity, to promote the protection of intellectual property throughout the world". Intellectual property (IP) is a term referring to a number of distinct types of creations of the mind for which a set of exclusive rights are recognized and the corresponding fields of law. Under intellectual property law, owners are granted certain exclusive rights to a variety of intangible assets, such as musical, literary, and artistic works; discoveries and inventions; and words, phrases, symbols, and designs. Common types of intellectual property rights include copyrights.

In 2011, the Garifuna Coalition USA, Inc. sponsored two music symposia, including a workshop entitled "The Business Of Music: Music Copyrights and Music Publishing," presented by Music Business Professor Gary Fritz. I am happy to report that one symposium participant, has

registered two copyrights with the U.S. Copyright Office.

A copyright is a form of intellectual property law, which protects original works of authorship including literary, dramatic, musical, and artistic works, such as poetry, novels, movies, songs, computer software, and architecture. Copyright is a form of protection granted by law for original works of authorship fixed in a tangible medium of expression. Copyright covers both published and unpublished works.

Registered works may be eligible for statutory damages and attorney's fees in successful litigation. Some individuals promote the practice of sending a copy of your own work to yourself, which is called a "poor man's copyright." However, according to the U.S. Copyright Office, there is no provision in the copyright law regarding any such type of protection, and it is not a substitute for registration.

Therefore, if the Garifuna Community wants to take advantage of the incentives and rewards afforded by intellectual property rights to encourage investment and the development of sustainable business models, Garifuna authors and other creative must continue to increase copyright registrations. As professor Fritz emphasized during the Symposium "If you don't take care of your business, your business will not take care of you!"

[1]Chu, C. (1998). Bowie bonds: A key to unlocking the wealth of intellectual property. Hastings Comm. & Ent. L.J., 21:469.

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Sterling qualities missing, but no problem

Donald Sterling has come to dominate the national space in a way that should be quite vexing to any of us who hold certain values dear. Ever since Sterling's "girlfriend," or in whatever capacity that young woman served, spilled the beans about his racist core, news of one kind or another relative to this guy seems to have secured a permanent spot on the media menu. And to individuals long hip to the Sterling saga, the hoopla -- even when it accentuates the negative, like instances of his oafish conduct -- rubs them very much the wrong way. It's perfectly understandable if among us are folks jarred by a character, whose off-color behavior is nothing new, being given non-stop visibility.

To Sterling's name, those folks rightly say, is attached a dossier that should have long ago short-circuited his ownership of any NBA franchise. Enough was known of Sterling's slumlord practices in the real estate empire he built in Los Angeles, for his fitness for ownership to have become an issue. On the contrary, the team owner's hat he wore probably offered a veneer of respectability his tainted track record in

real estate did not.

Some keen media people who had been on to the Sterling model well before it became a national cause célèbre in late April, saw the explosion of media interest in pretty near pseudo-event terms. One sports writer who had chronicled some of the Sterling misdeeds years ago was fit to be tied because of this inexcusably late frenzy of media curiosity. A Daily Beast contributor recounted for readers some newsreel-worthy slumlord Sterling action, where he evicted from a flooded apartment a blind tenant, an African American woman who was a punctual rent payer (Sterling arbitrarily refused to accept the payments), whose sole transgression allegedly was her color not being "right."

There are those who have known Sterling to be that kind of guy. And while they appreciate this class A bigot being no longer left unscathed, at least as far as ownership of the Los Angeles Clippers is concerned, they remain none too thrilled that dispatching Sterling to the sidelines, where he deserves to be (NBA players' no-nonsense intentions having clearly been a major influ-

Viewpoint

By Les Slater

ence), was so long in coming. Whether or not justifiably, there was no shortage of talk from persons supposedly in the know, that the handling of Sterling with kid gloves by former NBA commissioner David Stern played large in the Clippers owner being allowed to keep on stepping.

The rest of us tardy arrivals at the Sterling show have watched its real-time unfolding, soap opera trappings and all. He's not a racist. His privacy was violated. He's okay with the team being sold. He's not okay with the team being sold. The wife is the one legally authorized to deal. He's suing the NBA for a billion dollars. Etc, etc. On the privacy violation bit, by the way, good luck with that. If it comes to pass, some attorney, or maybe a whole gang of them, will presumably be handsomely paid to argue that those racially toxic remarks Sterling made on tape don't mean squat.

As if all of this weren't enough, already, there's recently been a new dynamic thrown into the narrative, threatening yet again to scramble our good-and-evil sensibilities. Entering the Sterling/Clippers orbit as a duly accredited player, filthy rich former Microsoft CEO and team owner wannabe Steve Ballmer, offering to buy the Clippers for two billion dollars! It's the Clippers, folks. Simply because they now have a fine coach in Doc Rivers and personnel that make them a fairly respectable team doesn't warrant dispensing with reality to this extent. It's the Clippers, bought by Sterling for a reported \$12.5 million in 1981 and languishing as the NBA's doormat for most of their existence. So, whither this \$2 billion abomination?

It sets us to thinking about the whole morality thing. If that outrageous Ballmer deal is where the Clippers' fate is headed, how's that for just deserts for the bad guy here? Are we about to be given perhaps the ultimate free-market object lesson in how absolutely rotten behavior gets rewarded? For all the Sterlings' (the wife reportedly was no innocent bystander)

grungy slumlord tactics in which persons of color were targeted; for Donald Sterling's reputed perception of team ownership as a white guy giving employment to some mostly black and brown young men; the Sterling brand may wind up on the sweet side of its biggest payoff ever. Go figure.

"Class warfare" gets tossed around for the most part on the conservative side conceivably to gin up backlash against vehement protestation by the "other" class that in fact doesn't exist. Not in the pretty much orderly democracy we share within these borders. It takes episodes like the Sterling drama to remind us sometimes that we aren't, here, a society that's likely to go hog wild upon learning of a guy's deplorable mistreatment of our fellows in the course of amassing more millions than he knows how to spend. That, like in '74 when one president resigned, another replaced him and, as one commentator observed, "not one soldier left the garrison," a high roller laying out two billion for a team not worth it, elicits from us a mere shrug and, back to business as usual.



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Finding NY space for Garifuna arts

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 goal of tackling the multiplicity of challenges facing the Garifuna creative sector. It will lead the Garifuna creative industry's agenda by pulling together community and cultural groups with government, and other partners, and driving forward a long-term program of investment and growth. The plan will be to connect the Garifuna Arts & Culture Cluster to existing initiatives and with the

New York City creative/cultural sector. This plan will promote The Garifuna Arts & Culture cluster by fostering collaboration to spur economic activity.

Finally, we will encourage the ongoing development of New York City's Garifuna Arts & Culture to ensure that Garifuna artists and cultural organizations flourish throughout the City. We plan to find ways to expose Garifuna artists

and arts-based businesses to new markets, both locally and abroad. A core focus will be to bring Garifuna Arts and Culture to new and expanded markets. This will include development and implementation of a strategic marketing program designed to draw citywide audiences into the Garifuna Arts & Culture Cluster.

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Unanswered questions surround Rodney probe

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 though no one has been able to prove that Rodney's murder came directly from officials who were in government then.

Earlier this week, government legislator and former PNC executive Joseph Hamilton gave explosive testimony that authorities had handed out guns, ammunition and other equipment to break up political meetings and hassle the WPA, as it led huge rallies in opposition to Burnham's move to write a constitution that gave him as much or more power than a U.S. president.

Ironically, successive administrations have not sought to dilute that power. Hamilton was a member of the House of Israel sect that was widely regarded as the muscular arm of the PNC.

Hamilton told the hearings, chaired by respected Barbadian jurist Sir. Richard Cheltenham that immediate-past PNC leader Robert

Corbin had been instrumental in ensuring that the sect of which he was a leading member, had weapons and other equipment to blunt opposition progress, especially the WPA.

He contended that sect members and others working for the party had strict orders never to harm the then PPP leader and late Guyana President Cheddi Jagan, as well as Kwayana, who both had a long political and personal history with Burnham dating back to the 1950's anti-colonial struggle. Hamilton referred to them as "sacred cows."

But as hearings continue and as people like former military chief, Brig. Gen. Normal McLean and Ret. Deputy Police Chief Cecil Roberts -- the current WPA leader, and opposition legislator Rupert Roopnaraine and others wait to testify, it is the testimony from Donald Rodney that is likely to bring the probe closest to

determining exactly how his brother died.

This is so because ex-army sergeant Gregory Smith, the man who acknowledged that he had given the two Rodneys the radio set, had claimed that they knew it had contained an explosive that was designed to blow up state installations to sabotage Burnham's regime but they had disobeyed usage instructions causing it to explode. Smith who lived under the alias Cyril Johnson died in French Guiana a few years back without ever being properly questioned.

WPA activists who have testified so far have made it plain and crystal clear that Rodney had long decided that revolutionary action was the only way to rid the country of Burnham at the time. The PNC on the other hand said that the bomb was to have been planted in Burnham's state car even as the country awaits further riveting testimony.



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Permaculture poised to conquer the Caribbean

By Mark Olalde

FREEPORT, Trinidad and Tobago, May 22, 2014 (IPS) - Erle Rahaman-Noronha is not a revolutionary, not in any radical sense at least. He is not even that exciting. In truth, Rahaman-Noronha is merely a man with a shovel, a small farm, and a big dream. But that dream is poised to conquer the Caribbean.

Rahaman-Noronha wants to see 'permaculture' - short for permanent agriculture - take root and spread across the Caribbean, and he is doing his part by teaching anyone who will listen about its benefits.

Joining him is a fluid group of permaculturalists working from their home islands and sharing the same goal: to harness permaculture as a solution to climate change, food and water insecurity, and rising

costs of living.

"Here, this is the Bible," Rahaman-Noronha tells IPS, laying a book on the table. Behind him, orange trees rustle in the wind, the sharp smell of Trinidadian cooking wafts out an open window, and white-faced capuchin monkeys screech in the distance. The cover reads, 'Permaculture: A Designers' Manual', and the contents offer surprisingly simple solutions to modern problems through economically and environmentally sustainable living.

Author of the manual, Australian Bill Mollison, first used the term nearly four decades ago and since then the idea has spread to Europe and the U.S. Now, the developing Caribbean is beginning to embrace the philosophy of permaculture, especially since 2008's global recession.

Born in Kenya, Rahaman-Noronha - whose work was recently highlighted in a TEDx talk - fulfilled a keen interest in the environment by studying applied biochemistry and zoology in Canada.

"I've always had a strong passion for the outdoors and conservation, but just doing conservation doesn't make money," he says with a chuckle. "Permaculture allows me to live on a site, produce food on a site, produce an income, as well as practice conservation."

Wa Samaki is Rahaman-Noronha's permaculture farm, and it has been his workplace, classroom, grocery store, and home since he relocated to Trinidad in 1998. Meaning "of the fish" in Swahili, Wa Samaki covers 30 acres in Freeport in central Trinidad.

Although he uses no fer-



Erle Rahaman-Noronha's closed-loop aquaponics food system.

IPS/Mark Olalde

tilisers, herbicides, or pesticides, Rahaman-Noronha is able to make a living off the farm's fruit, flower, lumber, and fish sales. His newest addition is a large aquaponics system, a closed loop food production system in which fish tanks and potted plants circulate water and sustain one another.

With his partner John Stollmeyer, Rahaman-Noronha works to spread awareness of permaculture

across the Caribbean, home to nearly 40 million people who are particularly susceptible to climate change.

The pair consults Trinidadian businesses, teaches permaculture design courses (PDCs), and holds workshops everywhere from Puerto Rico to St. Lucia. "How are we going to create sustainable human culture?" Stollmeyer asks. "Discovering permaculture for me was a wake up call."

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National Security Minister Gary Griffith said the vehicles will be used in the protection for law enforcement agencies, mainly the police and Defense Force, adding, that these agencies need to have the vehicles for extra protection "in the fight against crime."

The minister said it is important to ensure that security agencies are well equipped and modernized to perform their duties.

The 15 armored vehicles are being outfitted with safety gear designed to withstand various forms of attack.

The vehicles will also have specialty equipment including GPS, gun ports and computerized systems, which will be linked to various national security agencies.

Jamaica

The Jamaica Bar Association says the firing of former director of the Caribbean HIV/AIDS Resource Training Network (CHART), Professor Brendan Bain may be viewed as

an act of contempt of court.

Professor Bain provided expert testimony in a case brought by a gay man who is challenging Belize and Trinidad and Tobago's anti-sodomy laws.

Recently the University of the West Indies terminated Professor Bain's contract following complaints by some 35 advocacy groups, which said they had lost confidence in him as a result of his testimony.



However, the Jamaica Bar Association president, Donovan Walker, believes Professor Bain's dismissal could be considered as a wrongful interference in a judicial process.

The bar association believes Professor Bain is being treated unfairly.

Walker says Professor Bain is clear in his written statement that the opinion expressed in the report was in a personal capacity and should not be attributed to any institution to which he is associated.

Walker further says Professor Bain is an expert in his field and persons are free to agree or disagree with his opinion.

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Taste of Vincy Cuisine at Tribeca Grill

By Jennifer Reisfeld
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KINGSTOWN, St. Vincent -- St. Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG) is soaring to new heights with numerous capital projects designed to transform the tourism industry and make SVG one of the most sought-after destinations in the Caribbean. To celebrate Vincentian culture and bring awareness of these milestones—including the construction of SVG's first new international airport—the 32-isle nation will participate in this year's New York Caribbean Week, hosted by the Caribbean Tourism Organization (CTO) from June 2-6, 2014. At the crux of the week-long series of events is the participation of Tribeca Grill's Executive Chef and SVG native, Kamal Rose, who will bring a taste of "Vincy" life to New York during the Rum & Rhythm Benefit & Auction: "The Ultimate Caribbean Cultural and Epicurean Experience."

This year's SVG delegation at Caribbean Week is comprised of Glen Beache, CEO of the SVG Tourism Authority; Hon. Cecil McKee, Minister of Tourism, Sports & Culture; Celia Ross-Latham, director of Sales-USA for the



Above: Chef Kamal Rose. At right: Tourism Minister Glen Beache. Photo credit: Tribeca Grill

SVG Tourism Authority; and Kathique Haynes, marketing officer for the SVG Tourism Authority. The delegation will attend various events throughout the week, including Media Marketplace, Caribbean Romance Pavilion, the Rum & Rhythm Benefit & Auction, the Trade Show & Educational Seminar for travel agents, the investment forum and several other seminars organized by the CTO.

The participation of Kamal Rose at the Rum & Rhythm Benefit & Auction: "The Ultimate Caribbean Cultural and Epicurean Experience," is an exciting addition to this year's roster. The event will be held on Friday, June 6 at Tribeca 360 NYC and is comprised of numerous Caribbean chefs who were chosen for their professional excellence and their determination to create delicious fine-dining offer-



ings using traditional Caribbean ingredients and recipes.

Rose will be serving a few Vincentian dishes like Conch Ceviche with Breadfruit Chips as well as Roast Pork Sliders (Roast Pork, Bakes, Guava BBQ Sauce). His cocktail sample includes the Captain Blight "Swank" made up of Carbonated Lemonade, Rum, Bitters, and Nutmeg infused ice.

"We are honored to participate in this year's Caribbean Week in New York, as SVG is a unique destination that has something for everyone," said Mr. Beache. "There's no better forum to celebrate our Vincentian culture among media, trade, consumers and the Caribbean Diaspora. Additionally, we are thrilled

to have Kamal Rose on board to demonstrate to visitors the flavorful cuisine they can expect when visiting SVG," Beache added.

Rose's rise to executive chef of Tribeca Grill is an inspiring story of talent, persistence and hard work. As a child of SVG, he was encouraged to cook by his grandmother. After moving to New York when he was 15 years old, Rose's senior year of high school was spent interning at Tribeca Grill. Working his way through every station in the kitchen from garde manger and tournant to head of Banquets and then to sous chef, Rose perfected his craft with focus and determination. In 2009, he won a \$20,000 scholarship in a national cooking competition and also earned a diploma in Culinary Arts from the Institute of Culinary Education. Rose's work ethic, passion and leadership earned him a promotion to Executive Chef in the summer of 2012.

At Tribeca Grill Rose oversees a close-knit team and shares the vision of his mentors, former head chef Stephen Lewandowski and restaurateur Drew Nieporent. His signature dishes reflect his Caribbean heritage, his travels and his desire to

showcase local products. Rose has cooked at many noteworthy events including the James Beard Foundation, Kristen Ann Carr Fund, City Harvest and Share Our Strength. Rose's most recent feat is his victory over Chef Shannon Bard on the Food Network's hit show "Beat Bobby Flay," giving him the opportunity to compete with the famous Bobby Flay himself.

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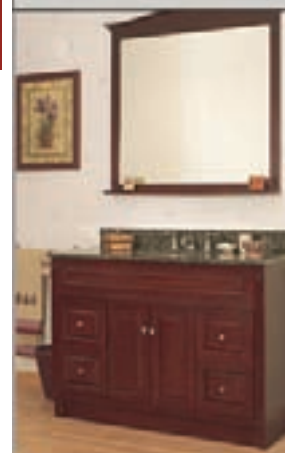
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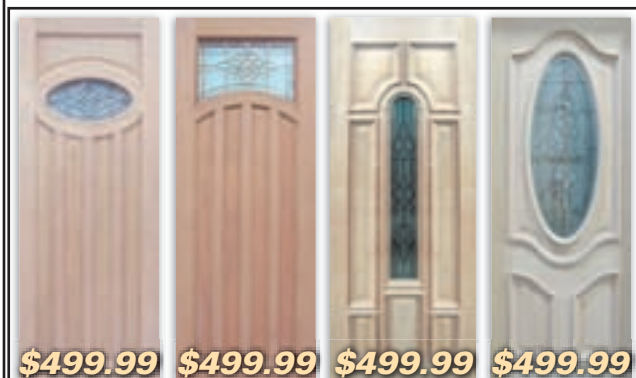
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fossil fuels. The country produced more than 119,000 barrels of oil per day in 2012 and 1.4 trillion cubic feet of natural gas that same year, all the while boasting the second highest rate of CO2 emissions per capita in the world, more than twice that of the United States.

United Nations data dating back to 2005, the last time such statistics were compiled, indicates that industrialised agriculture accounts for 20 percent of greenhouse gas emissions in Latin America and the Caribbean.

In this environment, Rahaman-Noronha's goal is to become an incubator of conservation start-ups that cannot secure necessary bank loans. Currently, he houses beekeepers and a wildlife rescue center on the farm for minimal rent, and he hopes that list will grow.

One such entrepreneurial mind that passed through Wa Samaki was Berber van Beek, a native of Curaçao who recently moved home after years of wandering the

world. Before returning to the Caribbean, she practiced permaculture across Europe and Australia, but when van Beek wanted to develop her skills in a tropical climate, she came to Rahaman-Noronha.

“I think [the reason] I don’t get challenged... is that I’m not just preaching permaculture,” he says. “I’m actually practicing it.”

“He gave me a lot of freedom on his farm to make and create a design,” van Beek says, describing a garden of banana trees she planted at Wa Samaki.

In Curaçao, van Beek uses permaculture as more than simply a food source. She realises its social potential and is working to start after-school programmes for at-risk youth who can learn useful gardening skills and the responsibility and respect for

nature that come with caring for their own gardens.

In addition, she is soon opening her first large-scale organic gardening class, closely resembling a PDC.

Such initiatives are urgently needed in Curaçao, which is facing a stagnant economy and is currently nursing a youth unemployment rate of 37 percent.

According to van Beek, shifting global climates and markets have major effects on her own island in which nearly everything must be imported. “If you go to the supermarket, look where your food is coming from. Is it coming from Venezuela or is it coming from the U.S. or is it coming from Europe?” she says. “People could be more aware of what to buy and what not to buy.”

The problem, experts say, is regional. According to the Food Export Association of the Midwest USA – a group of nonprofits focusing on agricultural issues – around 80 percent of food consumed in the Caribbean is imported.

The beauty and purpose of permaculture is that it is a system of solutions that can be practiced at any level to combat environmental



Berber van Beek studying the geology of Curaçao,

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issues.

“You can start in your backyard, so there’s no cost. You can implement certain parts of it in your apartment if you really need to,” Rahaman-Noronha explains. “If you have a porch with some sunlight, you can plant something there and start thinking about permaculture.”

Naturally, van Beek took his message to heart, keeping a perfectly groomed permac-

ulture garden in her own tiny backyard, using dead leaves as fertiliser and recycled rain and shower-water to sustain the plants.

“Seeing is believing,” she says. It’s her own quiet mantra, spoken when she describes her approach to spreading permaculture, and vocalised when she needs the energy to keep pressing on and to convince others that this is the right path.

Rahaman-Noronha, too, has worked to convert non-believers. From schools who tour the wildlife center and his farm to the several thousand people who watched his TEDx talk online, he is adamant that he has traded in misconceptions for progress.

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Jamaica literary festival draws top-flight authors

By David McFadden

TREASURE BEACH, Jamaica (AP) — Best-selling authors take to a seaside stage, bottles of Red Stripe beer in hand. Budding writers line up to read their works to a big, appreciative audience. Book-loving islanders and tourists mingle with literary luminaries as the sun sets over the Caribbean Sea.

It's the Calabash International Literary Festival, Jamaica's unique, spirited take on the world of literary gatherings, and the biennial event held over the weekend has been getting bigger at each staging.

Since 2001, the tiny, laid-back beach town of Treasure Beach in arid southern Jamaica has been home to the festival, attracting Nobel laureates and a slew of other acclaimed writers. From modest beginnings, Calabash has grown into a major international literary event.

One of its three founders, Jamaican novelist Colin



Acclaimed novelist Salman Rushdie is shown on a stage discussing his life and work for an appreciate audience of book-loving Jamaicans and tourists in Treasure Beach; Jamaica; Saturday, May 31; 2014.

AP Photo/David McFadden

Channer, has dubbed the three-day celebration of writing as the "greatest little festival in the greatest little district in the greatest little country in the world."

This year, authors Salman Rushdie, Zadie Smith, Jamaica Kincaid and Colum McCann were among the

novelists and poets participating in readings and themed discussions between reggae- and rap-fueled celebrations and beachside socializing. The festival, free of charge and open to anyone, started Friday and ran through Sunday evening.



Kincaid, an Antigua-born novelist and essayist, said the festival has given the people of the Caribbean a top-flight literary event in a part of the world where storytelling and creativity with language has always been prized.

"Among all the other things we do, black people also make literature. We are very imaginative, literate people. The problem has always been access. That's why this event is so inspiring," she said by the saltwater pool at Jake's, a hotel that's a collection of funky,

colorful cottages that hosts the celebration every two years.

Rushdie said it's no wonder that Calabash has steadily earned a name as a festival of choice for some of the world's most gifted authors.

"It is an extraordinary event. The audience is big, extremely appreciative, very focused. And the setting is spectacular," he told The Associated Press on Sunday, a day after he took to the stage to discuss his writings and career in front of an eager, diverse crowd of a few thousand people.

Rushdie's works include the Booker Prize-winning "Midnight's Children" and the best-selling "The Satanic Verses," which some Muslims consider blasphemous. A fatwa, or Islamic edict, was issued against Rushdie in 1989 by Iran's late revolutionary leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, which forced Rushdie into hiding under British police protection for years.

Just two years ago, an Indian literary festival canceled a video conference with Rushdie after threats of violence.



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"The more time you spend outdoors without protecting your eyes, the greater your

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risk for ocular damage," says Dr. James Winnick, an optometrist with VSP Vision Care, the largest not-for-profit vision benefits company in the United States.

Rather than avoid the problem entirely by seeking refuge inside, take steps to

mitigate your risk in the sun.

CONSIDER RISK FACTORS

While all people need to protect their eyes from UV radiation, some populations are more sensitive than others to the sun. For example, children don't yet have the natural protection in their eyes that adults have, so they get most of their exposure

before they are 18. Additionally, people living with diabetes have increased light sensitivity.

No matter who you are, protecting your eyes outdoors is crucial, say experts.

"One of the most convenient ways to ensure you're constantly protecting your eyes from UV rays and excess light is to opt for photochromic lenses, which are lenses

that darken automatically to changing sunlight conditions when outdoors," says Winnick. "These lenses can be especially useful for kids and adults who have trouble remembering to switch from their regular glasses to sunglasses throughout the day."

PROTECTION FOR ENTIRE FAMILY

Photochromic lenses are a great way to ensure everyone in the family is getting automatic and constant protection from UV radiation -- whether it's playing in the backyard or walking from the car into the office. And an added benefit is that your eyes will be much more comfortable in all light conditions, helping reduce eye strain and squinting.

CHOOSE WISELY

It's important to look for a brand of photochromic lenses that both darken and fade back quickly. For example, a new type of photochromic lenses called sunsync starts

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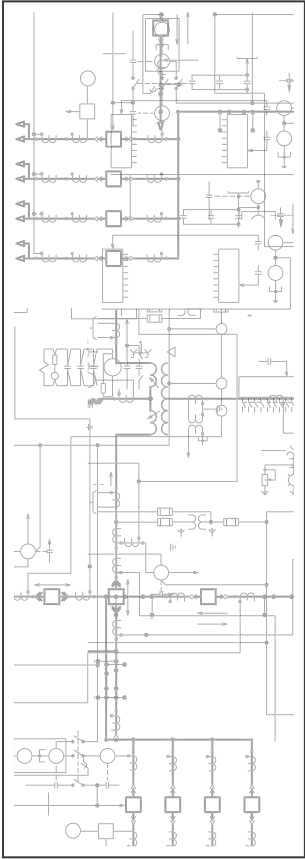
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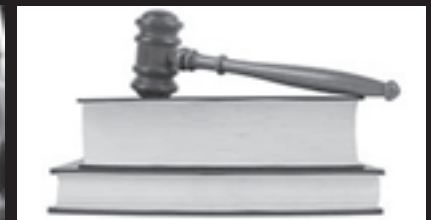
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Protecting your loved one in a nursing home

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That unfortunate time has come. Your sick or elderly loved one can no longer care for themselves, and their needs are too great for you to properly meet. How do you pick a nursing home that will provide the necessary care? Once they are admitted to the nursing home, what can you do to make sure that they are safe and well cared for?

The answers to these questions are vital to the well being of your loved one. The statistics tell us the frightening truth. A recent federal government report found that the care given in more than 91 percent of nursing homes was deficient. The reasons for this are all too clear. More than half of all New York nursing homes are for profit. As a result, understaffing and poorly trained and underpaid staff are commonplace. Most of the daily care that is given is provided by poorly paid certified nursing assistants (CNAs) who only receive about 75 hours of training and licensed practical nurses who are each assigned 30 or more beds. Turnover rates for licensed nurses average approximately 45 percent per year and for CNA's the rate is nearly 100 percent per year. After the first three months following admission, regular visits by a doctor are not required more than once every 60 days.

When you are selecting a home, there is much information that is readily available to the public, mostly through the NYS Department of Health. With regard to most nursing homes, you can obtain information on who owns the nursing home, whether it is for profit or a non-profit home, how long they have been in business, their licensure, deficiency survey reports, and even cost reports that show where the nursing home is spending its money.

Once they are in a nursing home, in order for your loved one to receive the



best care possible in these facilities you must monitor the care they are receiving. There is no environment where it is more true that "the squeaky wheel gets the oil." Here are some points to remember, which will improve the quality of care that your love one receives in a nursing home:

1. Communicate regularly with the nursing staff and the attending physician. Ensure to leave multiple telephone numbers where you can be reached. Be persistent if your call is not returned.

2. Talk to the families of other nursing home residents. This will immediately alert you to problem areas within the particular nursing home.

3. Never leave any valuables with your loved one in the facility. If the item has value, it is likely to be stolen or lost. If your loved one has a particular keepsake to which he or she is attached bring it with you when you visit and take it home when you leave for safekeeping.

4. Medication issues, including over medication and incorrect medication are common problems. If you don't understand what has been ordered for your loved one, speak up and ask the nursing staff.

5. Monitor your love ones nutrition. Poor nutrition and dehydration are leading causes of health problems for residents of nursing homes. Follow your loved one's weight records and

their food and fluid intake. If they are experiencing weight loss for an extended period, request that a dietician be consulted.

6. Participate in care planning conferences, which are held quarterly. If they are scheduled for a time where you are unable to attend, ask to participate via telephone conference. Prepare questions for the conference if you have any concerns, or send a list of concerns in advance.

7. If restraints are being used, make sure that the facility has tried other methods and that physical restraints are the last resort. As one might guess, physical restraints contribute to a decline in physical function and can actually cause injury.

Nursing homes are required by law to provide proper care. If, despite your efforts, your loved one is harmed by abuse or neglect in a nursing home, contact a lawyer who handles matters within the nursing home specialty. The nursing home laws encourage this, and specifically forbid retaliation against a resident who complains or takes legal action. As a practical matter, the care generally improves when action is taken.

The inescapable facts show us that we must be vigilant, speak up and take action when necessary to protect our loved ones and allow them to live with dignity. They deserve no less.

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Heritage Month salute

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 tunities and their talent and perseverance, Caribbean Americans have contributed to every aspect of our society – from science and medicine to business and the arts,” Obama continued.

During National Caribbean-American Heritage Month, he said America honors Caribbean Americans’ history, culture, and “essential role in the Ameri-

can narrative.”

“As America celebrates our Caribbean heritage, let us hold fast to the spirit that makes our country a beacon to the world,” the U.S. president said. “This month, let us remember that we are always at our best when we focus not on what we can tear down, but on what we can build up.

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diverse Nation on earth,” he added.

“Now, therefore, I, Barack Obama, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim June 2014 as National Caribbean-American Heritage Month,” he declared.

“I encourage all Americans to celebrate the history and culture of Caribbean Americans with appropriate ceremonies and activities,” he urged.

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BOOK REVIEW

'The Wealth Choice'

"The Wealth Choice"
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By Terri Schlichenmeyer

Your wallet is almost totally empty.

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You work hard, you reach for your dreams, but you still can't seem to catch a break – which means you're doing it all wrong, says Dennis Kimbro in his new book "The Wealth Choice."

This morning, you decided what you were going to have for breakfast and what you'd wear all day. You chose when to leave the house and where to go – but did you choose to be wealthy?

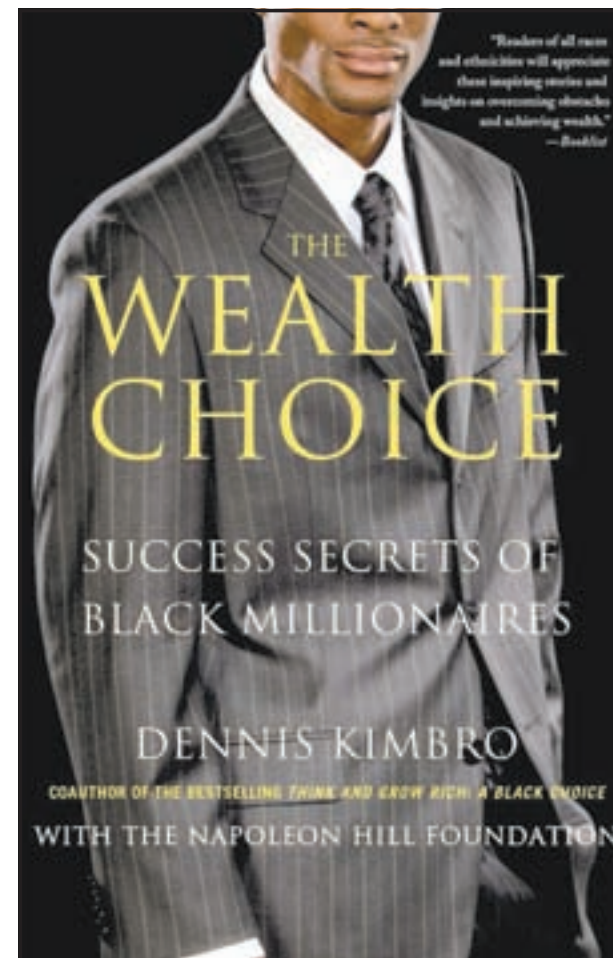
That's an important thing, says Kimbro. It's a decision you "must make" in order to control your life and seize opportunity. And yes, there are opportunities to be had; you just have to be on the lookout for them.

"Riches," says Kimbro, "are lying everywhere for the observant eye."

In order to find them, though, you'll need to think and act like a millionaire, and two of the "common factors" Kimbro discovered about Black millionaires are their "relentless commitment to lifelong learning" and their focus on a purpose in life.

Millionaires also utilize their unique strengths to "master whatever field [they] enter." They're self-starters with "grit" and a strong work ethic, inquisitiveness, and they understand that ideas have power. They practice thrift, salesmanship, and spirituality. And for them, failure is not an option.

To step on your own per-



Book cover of "The Wealth Choice."

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sonal path to wealth, learn how to "add value" – not only for your customers but for employees and your community at large. Be an optimist. Read all that you can to educate yourself (and to set an example: recent studies show that nearly half of Black 17-year-olds are "functionally illiterate"). Understand that looking rich and being rich are often two vastly different things. Don't be afraid of work; in fact, love your work and stop being afraid of Mondays.

Learn how to network and how to stop wasting time. Practice praise. Believe in yourself, know who you are, and play up your strengths. Invest in yourself.

And finally, own your own business: that, says Kimbro, is one of the major "laws" of wealth.

Tired of nothing but dust in your wallet? Sick of pay-

ing with pennies? Then crack open "The Wealth Choice" just about anywhere, and get ready for real change.

With dozens and dozens of anecdotes and examples (including his own), author Dennis Kimbro explains how millionaires are made – and not just monetarily. Because he tends to repeat himself in various ways, readers get a hard examination of attitudes and traits of the wealthy, making it nearly impossible to avoid assimilation of these habits.

And that's good because, really, who doesn't want to be successful?

Though it's written mostly for the benefit of African American readers, this book can certainly be utilized by anyone. If you want to be one of the thousands of millionaires around the world today, "The Wealth Choice" won't leave you empty.



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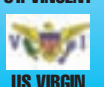
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The sexiest workout ever!

By Natalie Y. Henry

Summer is just around the corner and if you are looking for a fun way to workout “Brukwine” is a perfect fit. “Brukwine” means to break out and wine,” says Autavia Bailey co-founder of “Brukwine.” “It’s place to let loose, whine and you get an amazing workout.” Brukwine is an energy filled, sweat inducing reggae and dancehall workout that has taken New York City by storm.

It was created in 2012 after Autavia (Tavia) Bailey and Tamara Marrow met each other while touring and starring in music videos with reggae artist Sean Paul. The duo have an impressive resume between them, they have danced with artists such as Beyonce, Rihanna, Lady Gaga and Missy Elliot.

This Dancehall style exercise provides a more feminine side to the genre. Women are clad in heels, wedges, or sneakers. Some wear “Brukwine” apparel, which includes shorts, leggings, hats, and tops. The



Tavia Bailey, left and Tamara Marrow, right instructing dance class at Crunch Fitness.

Photo courtesy of Crunch Fitness

Saturday class (Brukwine fitness party) held at the Ripley-Grier studios is like a scene from any neighborhood hot spot with a live DJ. Female reggae artist Spice’s hit song “So mi like it” boomed through the speakers.

“This my third class and second fitness party. I like the live DJ and that the crea-

tors are here,” says Jennifer Fields. “It’s just good vibes. Dancing in heels is hard especially when you’re doing all this whining up and down because it really works your legs,” she added.

Classes begin with a warm-up with the usual stretches for the neck, shoulder and legs. Followed by isolations, which teaches women how



to whine, tick the waistline, along with some twerk moves. No prior dance skills are required. This is more about having fun and getting a good workout.

“It’s really about the workout. Yes, we teach steps and have a routine but our main goal is to get women to burn those 1,000 calories,” says Bailey. “Whether you have danced before or haven’t, you can come and feel com-

fortable.”

Those who frequent their classes are called Brukwine addicts and have said that they have never sweated so much despite the fact that they go to the gym.

“I never sweat so much since I have been going to the gym. It’s something different, it’s new, it’s a workout. My hips and thigh still hurt from the last class,” says Odett Martin. “It’s a

good workout and I see why they say you could burn up to 1,000 calories.”

The third part of the class is learning the dance routines. Bailey and Marrow alternate teaching different parts of the choreography all the while keeping the crowd motivated. A diverse group of women attend these classes.

“We realized that women feel like they are apart of Brukwine, which they are. It’s not just about us. Yes, we are the creators but it’s really about community. It’s one big community!” says Marrow co-founder of “Brukwine.”

In the future the founders hope to expand throughout the five boroughs. So far there are classes in Manhattan and Brooklyn. There are classes every Wednesday and every other Friday and Saturday at Ripley Grier Studios. Also, they have classes every Thursday at Crunch, Lafayette and every Saturday at Crunch, Fort Greene. For more information and to register for classes, visit www.brukwine.com

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For the second time in the 74-year history of FIFA World cup competitions, Brazil is the host nation for 32 qualifying countries. Although no English-speaking Caribbean country made the cut, Honduras will carry the banner for those cheering the region's best football players.

Costa Rica, a Spanish speaking nation will also represent.

Africa is sending teams from Nigeria, Cameroon, Algeria, Ghana and the Ivory Coast. And from North America, Mexico and the United States will kick-off the continent's boot-



Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

strapped champions. The lion-share of qualifiers include: Europe and South America with South Korea and Japan claiming Asia's role in the quadrilateral contests.

Anyone interested in viewing the competitive sport should contact www.sobs.com.

'INVINCIBLE' TRIBUTE FOR MICHAEL JACKSON

There will be no hologram of Michael Jackson when Lehman Center for the Performing Arts delivers a multi-media live performance honoring his legacy with a presentation billed "Invincible: A Glorious Tribute To Michael Jackson." Slated for June 21 at 8:00 p.m. an exclusive New York

City engagement will feature songs from the newly released chart-topping album "Xscape" and songs from the album including the hit single "Love Never Felt So Good" "Loving You," "Blue Gangster" and "Slave to The Rhythm," the track which received worldwide attention recently when it was showcased at the 2014 Billboard Music Awards with a hologram performance of the King of Pop dancing to his lyrics. The Black Music Month tribute will feature and star three talented performers who each will deliver the essence and talent of the entertainer who died June 25, 2009. Ivan Kelley will retrace the period the young lead-singer of the group the Jackson Five made his debut on Motown

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records. Jeffrey Perez will rekindle the time-frame that the singer/songwriter honed his own career as a solo singer and won the hearts of music lovers throughout the world. And Pete Carter will re-live the years the spirited dancer pioneered the Moonwalk and other MJ-specific dance routines.

Undoubtedly, each will deliver hits such as "Billie Jean," "Beat It," "Thriller" "Smooth Criminal," Earth Song" and many of the favorites that topped the charts of the era. With family appeal an integral con-

cern, visuals and guest performances by the Harlem Gospelsingers, beat-box talent Kenny Muhammad The Human Orchestra, a Litefeet dance performance by NYC's own W.A.F.F.L.E. and a live band with master percussionists and singers will highlight the tribute.

Created, produced and directed by Bessie Award winner Darrin Ross, the production will be choreographed by Brandon Albright, Pete Carter, Lavon Patterson and Victor Lewis Jr. Doron Lev is the musical director.

Lehman College is located at 250 Bedford Park Boulevard West in the Bronx. For more info. Log onto www.lehmancenter.org

'THIS IS JAMAICA... MY JAMAICA!' LAUNCHES ISLANDWIDE FESTIVAL 2014

Plans for Jamaica Festival 2014 were announced on June 4 when Lisa Hanna, the island's minister of cul-

ture announced that this year event will be staged under the theme "This is Jamaica...My Jamaica!"

Reportedly an artistic team conceptualized a redesigned program towards the continued strengthening of the cultural and creative industries. Integrated this year is an expansion of activities in the areas of literature, film, television, culinary and fashion.

For the June 4 launch, the minister requested media and other patrons who attended the Ranny Williams Entertainment Centre to celebrate the theme by adhering to a dress code that boasts the national colors of black, green and gold. The former beauty queen and current Member of Parliament yielded with flexibility to fashion permitting outfits enhanced by a "Tups a White."

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Winner of the new CARICOM song



Dominica's Michele Henderson wins CARICOM song competition.

AGSELECTPR, Roseau, Thursday, May 29, 2014: Dominican, jazz, fusion singer Michele Henderson is the winner of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) song competition, and her winning entry "Celebrating CARICOM" is now the regional body's official anthem. Henderson beat out 57 semi-finalists and ten finalists to emerge winner in the competition which was announced last year.

She says she screamed in disbelief when she first heard the news, and she is "happy and proud" for the accomplishment.

"I want to thank CARICOM for the honor. I want to thank my husband (Roland Delsol Jr.) from the bottom of my heart for believing I could do it and for producing the song; Earlson Mathew for his arrangement; Michael Ferrol for his drumming skills and the St.

Alphonsus Choir for their choral input."

According to the competition rules, the song should reflect a strong Caribbean cultural identity, have versatility and lend itself to be played by various instruments, have a strong Caribbean cultural flavor and rhythm and inspire a sense of regional pride and unity.

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LICAH Festival

Now in its fifth year, the annual Long Island Caribbean American Heritage Festival is back as strong as ever to regale attendees with a smorgasbord of Caribbean cultural fair.

The event which runs from June 6-14, has evolved into a regionally sought-after summer staple for the Long Island, metropolitan New York, tri-state area and surrounding communities.

This year the events will not only include local but international Caribbean artists of various disciplines including reggae, soca, calypso, compa, salsa, bachata, garifuna, and punta rock.

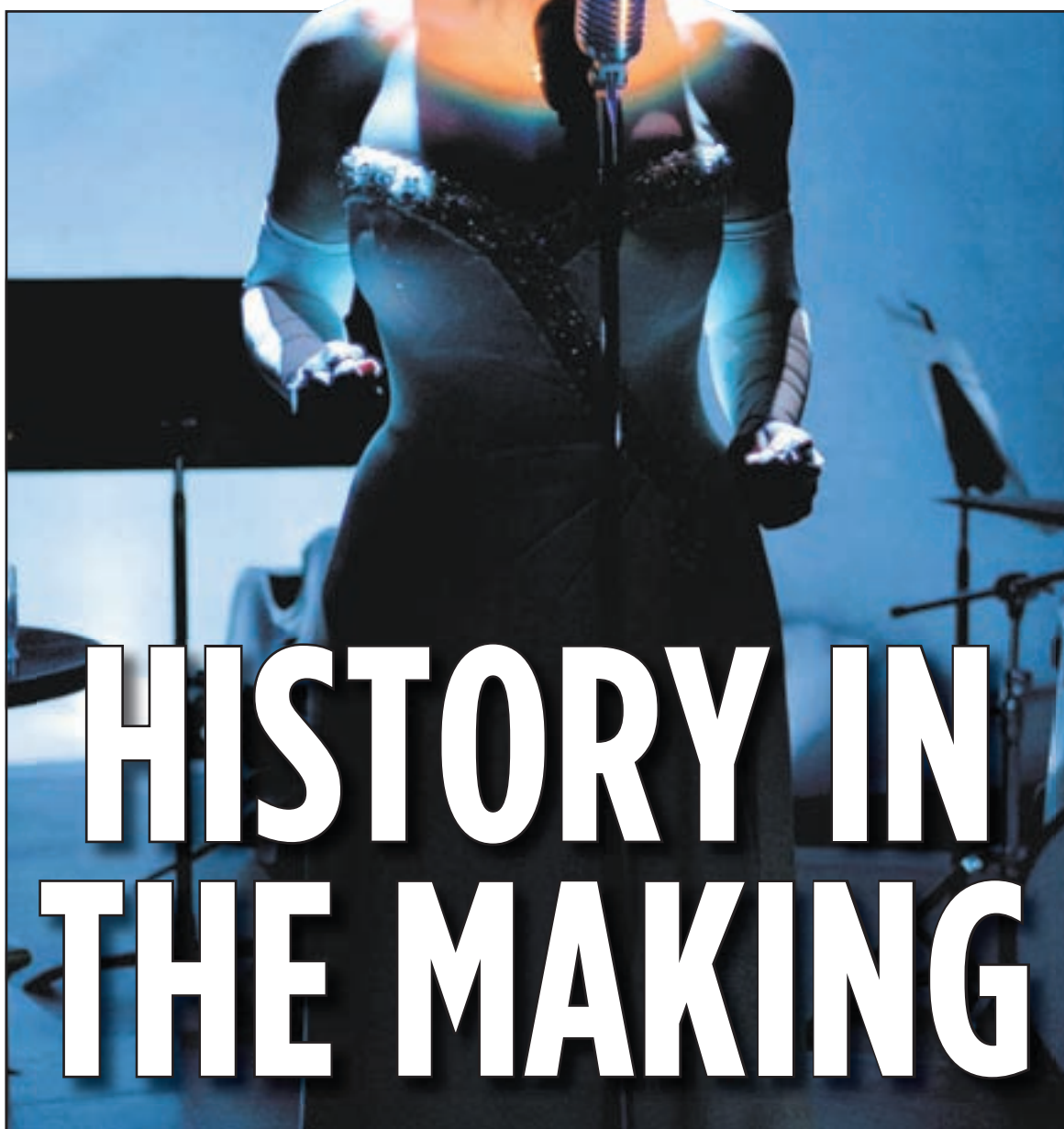
The events will be featured

at several locations throughout Long Island. There will be the "Savor the Islands" Caribbean American Restaurant Weekend June 6, 7 and 8, various location and a Business Round Table on June 7, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

On June 13, the inaugural Caribbean Heritage State Ball will be held at The Carltun, 18-89 Hempstead Turnpike East Meadows located in Eisenhower Park, Hempstead, Long Island.

In addition, there will be a special "New Legend" award to be presented to international reggae star Sanchez. The festival will also feature a tribute to steel-pan performed

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Audra McDonald as Billie Holiday in "Lady Day at Emerson's Bar & Grill."

AP Photo/Jeffrey Richards Associates, Evgenia Eliseeva

Most likely winners, Lady Day, Genie

By Vinette K. Pryce

The spotlight will shine on the biggest and best theatrical offerings of the season on June 8 when television dedicates three hours honoring nominees and winners of the 68th annual Tony Awards. When the curtains open at Radio City Music Hall, the floodlights will reveal personalities from film, television and the Great White Way all in anticipation of

2014 champions of the stage.

Hosted for the fourth time by Hugh Jackman, a Tony Award winner, Emmy Award-winning, Academy Award-nominated and Golden Globe-winning actor, the galaxy of stars representing film, television and the Great White Way include Bradley Cooper, Kevin Bacon, Carole King, Maggie Gyllenhall, Will Ferrell, Live Shreiber, Emmy Rossum, Kate Mara,

Lucy Liu, Clint Eastwood, Ethan Hawke, Zach Braff, Gloria and Emilio Estefan, Fran Drescher, Wayne Brady and Audra McDonald.

McDonald is poised to make history and will likely take home another coveted award for her performance in "Lady Day at the Emerson Bar & Grill."

Already a winner with more Tony

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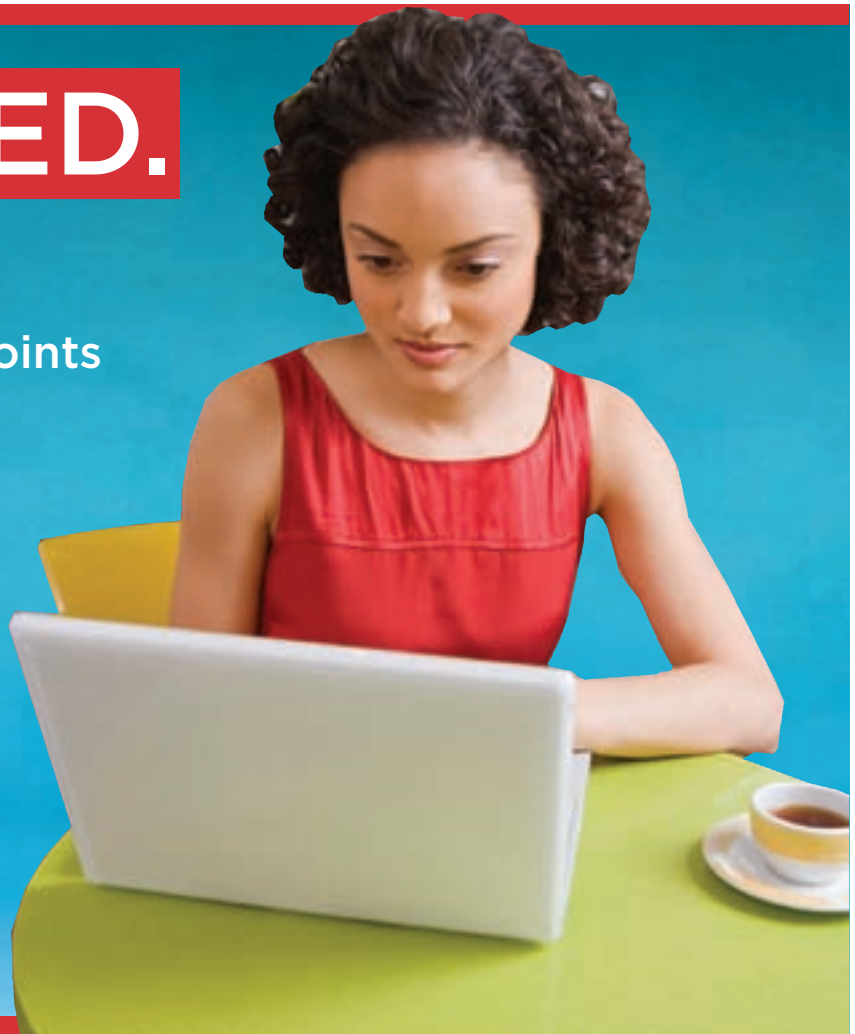
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Fodder for the coarsest in gross-out fare

"A Million Ways to Die in the West"
Fair (1 star)
Rated R for violence, drug use, crude humor, graphic sexuality, ethnic slurs and pervasive profanity
In English and Apache with subtitles
Running time: 116 minutes
Distributor: Universal Pictures

By Kam Williams

It seems like Seth MacFarlane must have been inspired by "Blazing Saddles" (1974) to make a more outrageous spoof of the Western genre. For instance, where the Mel Brooks classic featured cowboys farting after eating beans around a campfire, this time, ingesting the legume leads to cowboy hats filled with

diarrhea. He even pays homage to Blazing Saddles with the help of Jamie Foxx in a cameo, though you have to sit through all the closing credit to hear him utter a famous line from the film.

MacFarlane wrote, directed and stars in "A Million Ways to Die in the West," though he's often dwarfed by the talented actors he surrounded himself with. The cast includes Oscar-winners Foxx (for Ray) and Charlize Theron (for "Monster"), and nominee Liam Neeson (for "Schindler's List"), along with Amanda Seyfried, Neil Patrick Harris, Sarah Silverman, Giovanni Ribisi, Bill Mahre, Christopher Lloyd, Gilbert Gottfried, Ewan McGregor and Ryan Reynolds.

The movie merely has the semblance of a storyline, since that is ostensibly of far less import than the punch lines peppering the production. In that regard, the picture resembles "Family Guy," MacFarlane's animated TV sitcom, which eschews depth in favor of a



A scene from "A Million Ways to Die in the West."

Photo by <http://www.rottentomatoes.com>

string of raunchy one-liners and mean-spirited sight gags.

His diehard fans will undoubtedly be ready for that politically-incorrect brand of humor. However, uninitiated audience members are apt to be as offended by

the use of the slur "yellow" (to mean cowardly) in reference to Asians as they are shocked by the sight of carnival patrons taking shots at black figurines rotating around a "Runaway Slave" arcade game.

Then there's the matter of crude sexuality and gratuitous nudity. Ever think you'd see Liam Neeson lying naked with a daisy stuck in his anal cleft? How about a fountain of urine being created by a circle of peeing sheep, penises prominently unsheathed? Neither did I.

As for the rudimentary plot, the tale unfolds in Arizona in 1882 in a desert town whose main street is dotted with such stereotypical storefronts as the saloon, jail, livery, hotel and whorehouse. At the point of departure, we find nerdy Albert (MacFarlane) being dumped by girlfriend Louise (Seyfried) in favor of Foy (Harris), a sniveling lout with a Snidely Whiplash mustache.

The jilted shepherd cries on the shoulder of a mysterious newcomer (Theron) to the frontier only to learn that she's married to Clinch Leatherwood (Neeson), a jealous outlaw with a reputation which precedes him.

Independent & Foreign Films

2 Autumns, 3 Winters (Unrated) Romantic dramedy about a 33-year-old bachelor (Vincent Macaigne) who divides his time between wooing a cynical woman (Maud Wyler) he meets while jogging in the park and caring for his BFF (Bastien Bouillon) after a stroke. With Thomas Blanchard, Audrey Bastien and Pauline Etienne. (In French with subtitles)

Borgman (Unrated) Jan Bijvoet stars in the title role of this psychological thriller as a hobo who destabilizes the upper-class family that befriends him. Support cast includes Hadewych Minis, Jeroen Perceval and Alex van Warmerdam. (In English and Dutch with subtitles)

Burning Blue (R for profanity, sexuality and graphic nudity) Out of the closet drama about a couple of Navy pilots (Trent Ford and Morgan Spector) whose lives and careers are turned upside-down when their forbidden love affair becomes public knowledge. Featuring Rob Mays, William Lee Scott and Tammy Blanchard.

Citizen Koch (Unrated)



Kam's Kapsules

By Kam Williams

The Koch brothers are the focus of this eye-opening expose illustrating the expanding influence of rich individuals on American elections in the wake of the Supreme Court decision in Citizens United liberalizing the amount of money corporations can contribute to political campaigns.

The Moment (Unrated) Psychological thriller about a photographer (Jennifer Jason Leigh) in a tumultuous affair who lands in a mental hospital following the mysterious disappearance of her troubled boyfriend (Martin Henderson) only to be befriended there by a fellow patient who bears an uncanny resemblance to her missing beau. With Marianne Jean-Baptiste, Alia Shawkat and Meatloaf.

Obvious Child (R for profanity and sensuality) Romantic comedy, set in Brooklyn, about an aspiring comedienne (Jenny Slate)

who's left reeling by being fired, dumped and knocked up until she meets a perfect gentleman (Jake Lacy) on what promises to be either her best or worst Valentine's Day ever. With Gaby Hoffmann, Richard Kind, Polly Draper and Cindy Cheung.

Ping Pong Summer (Unrated) Coming-of-age comedy, set in 1985, revolving around a 13 year-old kid (Marcello Conte) who becomes obsessed with hip-hop and table tennis during a vacation spent with his family in Ocean City Maryland. Co-starring Susan Sarandon, Amy Sedaris and Judah Friedlander.

Rigor Mortis (Unrated) Haunted house horror flick set in a Hong Kong tenement tower whose creepy occupants include zombies, ghosts and vampires. Ensemble includes Anthony Chan, Siu-Ho Chin, Kara Hui, Hoi-Pang Lo and Richard Ng. (In Cantonese with subtitles)

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TOP 10 SINGLES



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John Legend
- 2 **Not A Bad Thing**
Justin Timberlake
- 3 **Happy**
Pharrell Williams
- 4 **Dark Horse**
Katy Perry Featuring Juicy J..
- 5 **Fancy**
Iggy Azalea Featuring Charli XCX
- 6 **Ain't It Fun**
Paramore
- 7 **Turn Down For What**
DJ Snake & Lil Jon
- 8 **Talk Dirty**
Jason Derulo Feat. 2 Chainz
- 9 **Sing**
Ed Sheeran
- 10 **Problem**
Ariana Grande Feat. Iggy Azalea

TOP 10 ALBUMS



- 1 **Ghost Stories**
Coldplay
- 2 **Just As I Am**
Brantley Gilbert
- 3 **The Fault In Our Stars**
Soundtrack
- 4 **Turn Blue**
The Black Keys
- 5 **Behind The Light**
Phillip Phillips
- 6 **Frozen**
Soundtrack
- 7 **Xscape**
Michael Jackson
- 8 **The New Classic**
Iggy Azalea
- 9 **Native**
OneRepublic
- 10 **...And Then You Shoot Your...**
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History in the Making for Audra

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nominations and awards than any of her colleagues, her solo act challenges rivals in the best actress in a musical category. If she wins, McDonald would make history as the first actress to win a Tony in all four acting categories – best actress in a play, best actress in a musical, best featured actress in a play and best featured actress in a musical.

McDonald would also emerge the only woman to ever earn six Tony Awards. She shares the distinction of owning five with Julie Harris and Angela Lansbury.

To see McDonald as “Lady Day” is like watching the legendary blues singer as she was when she commanded attention at the Philadelphia nightclub. Slightly more stream-lined than the gardenia-decorated Billie Holliday, a biography unfolds the journey travelled by one Black woman who faced racism, family set-backs and human impediments which ultimately led to her alcohol and drug addictions and tragic demise.

“It’s about a woman trying to

get through a concert performance, which I know something about, and she’s doing it at a time when her liver was pickled and she was still doing heroin regularly,” McDonald explained.

“I might have been a little judgmental about Billie Holiday early on in my life, but what I’ve come to admire most about her — and what is fascinating in this show — is that there is never any self-pity. She’s almost laughing at how horrible her life has been. I don’t think she sees herself as a victim.

McDonald triumphs in projecting her understanding. From the moment she opens her mouth to introduce the headliner at the Roundabout Theater her channeling of the legendary singer unveils layers of comprehension in song, story and attitude.

With as much reality and zeal, fun galore must be the nickname of actor James Monroe Inglehart. As the genie to sweep “Alladin” upward on a magic carpet ride, the best featured actor in a musical nominee transcends the Middle Eastern Disney character and is almost a guaranteed win-



Latanya Richardson Jackson attends the Tony Awards Meet The Nominees Press Junket on Wednesday, April 30, 2014 in New York.

Photo by Charles Sykes/Invision/AP

ner when the votes are revealed. Adding pop culture and current humor to flavor his antics, this genie sings, dances and with comedy charts a brand new world to theater audiences. The fairytale is funnier than ever presented and Inglehart single-handedly steals the attention from the colorful pageantry that unfolds throughout the production. A tough category to win with worthy rivals from “Cabaret,” “Bullets Over Broadway,” “Violet,” “Beautiful – The

Carole King Story” a loss would be even tougher to explain.

Inglehart works magic and should be rewarded with his first Tony win in 2014.

Other hopefuls to cheer include Latanya Richardson Jackson, Sophie Okonedo and Anika Noni Rose (A Raisin In The Sun), Andy Karl (Rocky) Idina Menzel (If/Then), “After Midnight” and “Les Miserables.”

The Tony Awards air June 8 at 8:00 p.m. on CBS-TV.



Members of the Adlib Steel Orchestra.

Photo by William Farrington

LICAH Festival

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by the Adlib Steel Orchestra.

The Family Fun Day/Music Fest will be on June 14 to be held at the Eisenhower Park’s Lakeside Amphitheater. The Caribbean Open Golf Tournament, The LICAHF Adult and Youth Soccer and Netball Tournaments will also take place in the park. The events will showcase some of the most spectacular new and emerging musical talents in the industry.

Artists for the all-day festival include Sanchez, Platinum One Band, Ed Robinson, DJ Ras Marcus, Adlib Steel Orchestra, Eddie Neeblett, Stephen Souza, Shane

Hoosong, Charmaine and Likkle Big Band, Sherry Morgan, Lenya Wilks, Queen Tubby – Royal Heart Sound, Rohan Timol—Delta Force, Zeelamac, Anthem Band, Denise De La Cruz, Ky-Enie, Thair, Nachie Bless, Jerry Ruben, Jeremiah, Santa Ranks, Gumbae Culture, DJ/Selectors Road International, Twin Thumb High Quality and Camouflage.

Over the last five years, the LICAHF festival initiative has featured more than 200 artists and performers and has had an excess of some 40,000 attendees celebrating cross-cultural heritage and the cultures of the Caribbean.

New CARICOM song

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Irwin Laroque, General Secretary of CARICOM (a Dominican himself) shares that the regional panel of judges considered her composition “an excellent reflection of the culture, identity and aspiration of the Caribbean Community engendering regional unity and pride and a fitting tribute to the 40th anniversary of CARICOM.”

The win is rather timely as next year will mark 20 years since Henderson burst on the music scene with her winning composition “My Pride”- a song she penned for the 1995 DOM-FESTA (Dominica Festival of Arts) song competition. Much like that song, “Celebrating CARICOM” is a rallying cry for unity.

Henderson states that while keeping the rules of the competition in mind, her main goal was to create a song that would cause a groundswell and impact Caribbean people in a genuine way.

“In addition to its use at official functions, it’s my hope that “Celebrating CARICOM” will cause

people from member islands to come together and build on our strengths. Regular rotation on local radio and a corresponding video on TV would go even further to encourage persons from all over the region to see that we really are more similar than we are different,” she says.

Henderson hails from Grand Bay, a community often times referred to as the cultural capital of Dominica and sings in English, French and French Creole. No stranger to the Regional stage, she has performed at the CBU Song competition in Barbados, Trinidad’s Jazz Artists on the Green, St. Lucia Jazz Festival, Carifesta in St. Kitts and Trinidad, St. Bart’s Music Festival, Spice Jazz in Grenada, the World Creole Music Festival in Dominica and numerous concert events in the French islands of Martinique and Guadeloupe. The seasoned flutist has six albums to her credit including her most recent Home (Chez Moi). She also successfully writes for competitors across a range of genres from pop to cadencelypsos.

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Turkey goalkeeper Onur Recep Kivrak, left, deflects a shot by United States' Jozy Altidore in the second half of an international soccer friendly. AP Photo/Julio Cortez

Record crowd watch USA

By Patrick Horne

Although the USA men's World Cup team defeated Turkey, 2-1, at Red Bull Arena last Sunday in the second of its three-game World Cup send-off series, the bigger story was the record crowd of 26,762 for a U.S. men's national team game at the venue and the atmosphere that was created at game.

While the USA overcame a listless Turkey team, a poor example of an opponent for Continued on Page 44

Jamaican tests Belmont Stakes

By Robert Elkin

Saturday, June 7 marks Belmont Stakes Day at Belmont Park in Elmont, New York. However, it's not the only stakes race on the schedule, as for it's the first time on this historic day that there will be overall ten stakes events on the same card to the delight of the anticipated packed crowd. However, all eyes will be on the Belmont Stakes, in the late afternoon, with the Metropolitan Mile, also being focused upon.

The Belmont Stakes also marks the return to action of a horse named Wicked Strong, whose Rajiv Maragh, already a fixture here at New York Racing Association tracks, being the rider, and whose trainer is Jimmy Jerkens. This thoroughbred fin- Continued on Page 44



Kirani James, center, and Lashawn Merritt, right, cross the finish line at the exact same time of 43.97 ahead of third place finisher Youssef Ahmed Masrahi, left, in Men 400m at the Pre Classic in Eugene, Ore. Saturday May 31, 2014. AP Photo/The Register-Guard, Chris Pietsch

James edges out Merritt in the Pre 400

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Kirani James of Grenada edged American LaShawn Merritt in a photo finish to win the men's 400 meters Saturday in the 40th annual Prefontaine Classic.

James, the gold medalist in the 2012

London Olympics, bested his rival by leaning at the end to finish in 43.97 seconds, best in the world this season, in the third IAAF Diamond League event of the year.

"I always like leaving a race and hav-

ing something that I need to work on," Merritt said. "There's a lot of spots in that race that I could work on. And the fact that I ran fast and I feel there's still some things I could work on, that's great

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Ashton Eaton, right, finished sixth in the 110-meter hurdles, won by Pascal Martinot-Lagarde, far left, at the Prefontaine athletics meet Saturday, May 31, 2014, at Hayward Field in Eugene, Ore.

AP Photo/The Register-Guard, Brian Davies

JAMES EDGES OUT MERRITT

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Justin Gatlin won the 100 meters with a wind-aided 9.76 seconds. Had it not been for the breeze, Gatlin's time would have been the best in the world so far this season. It was the 2004 Olympic gold medalist's third 100 title at the Prefontaine.

“It's not a championship year so we're just going out there running and gunning,” Gatlin said.

Tori Bowie won the star-studded 200 with a personal-best 22.18. Olympic

gold medalist Allyson Felix, who continues to make her return from a hamstring injury in the world championships last season, came in third at 22.44. Jamaica's Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce faded and finished last.

“I know where I'm at. I know what I need to work on,” Felix said. “My speed isn't exactly there yet. Work on that and then hopefully it just keeps coming.”

Reigning Olympic gold medalist and world record holder in 110 hurdles, Aries Merritt, withdrew from the Pre on Saturday morning

after he sustained a hamstring injury in practice. Pascal Martinot-Lagarde of France won the event in a season-best 13.13.

Botswana's Nijel Amos won the 800 in a meet record 1:43.63. The race featured world record holder and Olympic gold medalist David Rushida, who pulled out of last year's Pre because of a knee injury that sidelined him for most of last year. Rushida finished seventh.

Leo Manzano, the 2012 Olympic silver medalist in the 1,500, won the inter-

national mile in 3:52.40, also a world best this season. Kenyan Mercy Cherono won the two-mile race in 9:13.27, but fourth-place finisher Shannon Rowbury placed fourth in 9:20.25 for a new American record in the seldom-run event.

“This is my first one I've ever achieved, and to do it at Hayward Field is pretty special,” Rowbury said.

Breast-cancer survivor Novlene Williams-Mills of Jamaica won the women's 400 in 40.41, while Olympic gold medalist Sanya Richards Ross faded to sixth.

World Cup Friendlies

Continued from page 43 World Cup preparation, the fans created an electrifying atmosphere that would match the fervor created for any one of the world's most successful national teams. They came with their whistles, wrapped in USA flags and scarves and wore hats and jerseys adorned with the names of the American players.

The noise was ceaseless; they chanted USA, USA, USA, from the parking lot to the bleachers and inside, the crowd was greeted with a giant banner hung about 30 feet from the second tier of stands that read, “I Believe in USA.” The chanting did not stop throughout the game; at times, it was difficult to hear announcements. After Sunday, if anyone had doubt as to whether soccer has arrived in the U.S., they were put to rest at Red Bull Arena last Sunday.

The atmosphere certainly trumped the game itself, which was a disappointment. Turkey seemed not interested in playing a competitive game; the visitors were unfit as evidenced by the umpteenth times a Turkish player fell to the ground with the slightest touch, as if needing to rest. Turkey was lackadaisical, especially on defense. For a few moments early in the game the visitors worked the ball well in midfield, but Turkey's shooting was poor. So far, neither Turkey nor Azerbaijan - which the U.S. defeated 2-0 in the first game in San Francisco on May 27 - provided adequate preparation for a USA team that has to play Ghana, Portugal and Germany in the group stages of the World Cup. USA will have its first real test in the final warm-up game versus Nigeria on Saturday.



Nigeria forward Victor Moses, left, kicks the ball away from Greece midfielder Ioannis Fetfatzidis during the first half of an international friendly soccer match.

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In this photo provided by the New York Racing Association; Wicked Strong; with Rajiv Maragh aboard; captures The Wood Memorial Stakes horse race at Aqueduct Race Track in New York; Saturday; April 5, 2014. AP Photo/New York Racing Association; David Alcosser

Rajiv Maragh and Wicked Strong

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ished fourth in the Kentucky Derby, the first leg of the triple crown for three-year-olds. This horse did not compete in the Preaknes, as the owner decided to rest him.

California Chrono will attempt to be the first horse to sweep the triple crown since Affirmed did the what was supposed to be the impossible in 1978, in a tremendous dual with Alydar down the stretch. It seems

to be a difficult task for a horse to sweep all three legs of the triple crown.

Maragh, who was aboard Wicked Strong in the Derby, is trying to become the first horse to win all three events. Not many three-year-olds have done so, and this race is exclusively for horses of this age.

Maragh feels very confident that his horse will perform well and at least be among the challengers for top place in the Belmont Stakes, a true test of the

champions.

Maragh has been aboard three other Belmont Stakes horses during his career with his best finish seventh place when he rode Brave Victory in 2009.

In the horses' last outing, about a week ago, Wicked Strong came out of the one mile run in fine shape.

“He's in good shape,” said Jerkens. “There is nothing really to say.”

Of course, Maragh, who seems to be getting a good amount of horses to com-

pete on during his stay in New York, is looking forward to an upset. And in any horse race, nothing is impossible. An upset could happen!

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Street soccer playground for Brooklyn youth

By Kevin Bollers

The U.S. Soccer Foundation, Help USA and Street Soccer USA unveiled a new state-of-the-art street soccer field on the corner of Dumont and Snediker avenues in Brownsville, Brooklyn on Monday, June 3, 2014.

HELP USA is a national supportive housing developer and homeless services organization. In 2013, Street Soccer USA partnered with HELP USA to begin serving HELP residents in Brooklyn. For Help USA, the field furthers its mission and commitment to provide resources and positive programs that serve the community. Once a vacant lot, the new field

provides a safe and accessible place to play for more than 300 youth within the community. The field will also be used as a site to deliver the sport-based youth development program, "Soccer for Success," created by the U.S. Soccer Foundation and delivered by Street Soccer USA.

The Foundation's "Soccer for Success" program is a nationally recognized free after school program that uses soccer as a tool to address children's health issues and juvenile delinquency, while promoting healthy lifestyles in urban communities.

The unveiling event featured an opening ceremony and ribbon cutting led



by Deputy Mayor Richard Borroughs, Brooklyn Deputy Borough President Diana Reyna, Street Soccer USA

Soccer for Success' program demonstration and inaugural youth soccer match in Brownsville, Brooklyn.

Photo by Kevin Bollers

Founder and President Lawrence Cann and U.S. Soccer Foundation President, CEO and ribbon cutter Ed Foster-Simeon. The unveiling was then followed by a Soccer for Success program demonstration and inaugural youth soccer

match with Red Bulls' star Dax McCarty.

This event comes just days after the brutal stabbing of two young children this past Sunday only several blocks away. In light of that saddening circumstance, the opening of the soccer field, while not erasing the tragedy that occurred, brought a breath of fresh air and ray of sunshine into a community plagued by crime and poverty.

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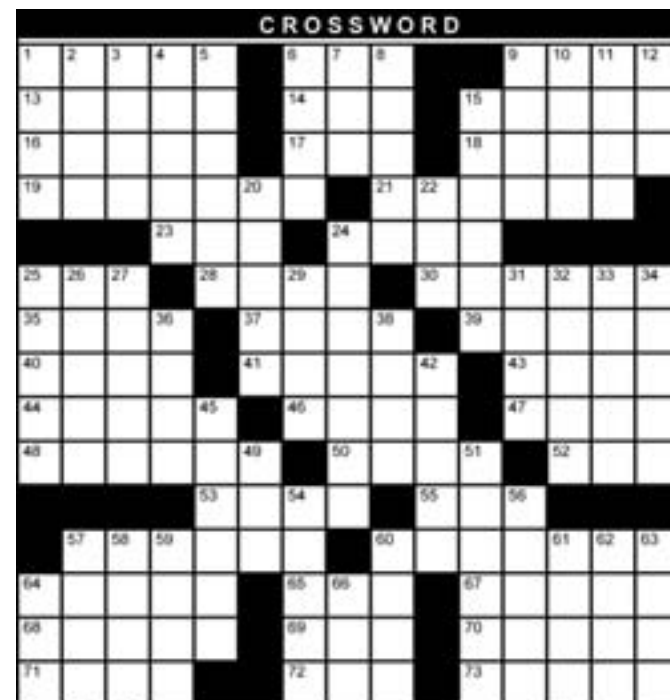
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TAURUS: Apr 21/May 21
 Taurus, approach your workload with an optimistic attitude this week. You can expect your efforts to produce positive results that don't go unnoticed.

GEMINI: May 22/Jun 21
 It is an uphill battle to focus on chores this week, Gemini. You would rather be out having fun, but putting off chores now will only lead to more work down the road.

CANCER: Jun 22/Jul 22
 Cancer, although you are capable of keeping up appearances this week, you will be lost in your own thoughts. Personal issues prove to be a distraction.

LEO: Jul 23/Aug 23
 Leo, serve as a diplomat this week, placing yourself in the middle of conflict because you want to help. Keep a level head and don't get swept into the argument.

VIRGO: Aug 24/Sept 22
 Virgo, your ability to focus is very strong, but this week you cannot seem to get your mind to cooperate. You may have a million things to think about.

LIBRA: Sept 23/Oct 23
 You are tempted to join the party this week, even though you know it is probably a better idea to decline. But the prospect of socializing and having a good time is too tempting.

SCORPIO: Oct 24/Nov 22
 Scorpio, you often feel uncomfortable when you have too many loose ends. It may take quite a while this week to wrap up all of your obligations before you can relax.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov 23/Dec 21
 Sagittarius, the more you ponder the decisions you have to make, the more you struggle to determine a positive outcome. Give yourself some breathing room.

CAPRICORN: Dec 22/Jan 20
 Career issues must be dealt with, Capricorn. You may have been running through various options, and if you have reached a decision, then go with your gut instincts.

AQUARIUS: Jan 21/Feb 18
 Aquarius, although everyone around you seems to be stressing out, for some reason you are able to breeze through your days without a worry in the world.

PISCES: Feb 19/Mar 20
 Your intuition is telling you to proceed with caution, Pisces. Watch where you step, but don't let caution take over your life.

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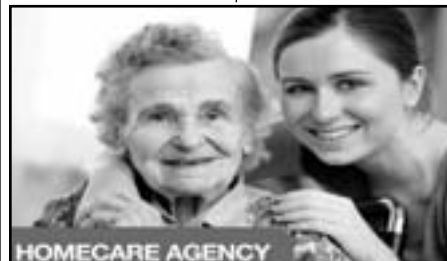
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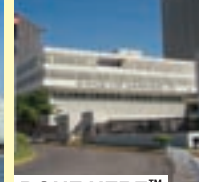
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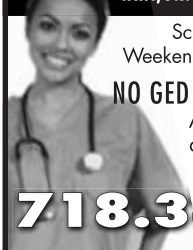
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