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Salute to healthcare professionals

Lt. Col. Alison L. McKenzie receives her award from Caribbean Life Associate Editor Kevin Williams at the Caribbean American Healthcare awards ceremony at Tropical Paradise Ballroom, Brooklyn. See pages 2-5.

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Executive action to aid immigrants

By Nelson A. King

President Barack Obama says he will use his executive power to make significant changes to the nation's immigration system without Congressional approval, blaming Republicans

for the collapse of legislative efforts.

"I'm beginning a new effort to fix as much of our immigration system as I can on my own, without Congress," he said in the White House Rose Garden

on Monday.

"While I will continue to push House Republicans to drop the excuses and act — and I hope their constituents will, too — America cannot wait forever for

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POT LAW GETS A REMAKE

Jamaica leaps to decriminalize marijuana for medical use

By Vinette K. Pryce

Jamaica inched closer to decriminalizing the use of marijuana by announcing approval of its use for medicinal purposes. Justice Minister Mark Golding announced the changes recently. According to Golding, "the island's Cabinet approved the decision to amend the Dangerous Drugs Act to make the law a less

punishable offense by allowing the possession of two ounces or less of marijuana."

Instead of being criminally charged for possession, individuals will now be fined if found in violation of the revised law.

Among the changes announced the most controversial were that

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CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE

Caribbean Life honors 48 in inaugural ceremony

By Tequila Minsky

Last week, the first Caribbean Life Healthcare Awards gala celebrated the contributions and excellence of 48 Caribbean healthcare professionals. Held in the heart of Brooklyn's Caribbean community, Tropical Paradise Ballroom was filled with love and respect.

It was a family affair. Husbands, wives and children, mothers, fathers and siblings, and friends and colleagues came to the tribute.

Supervisors, coworkers and friends nominated the recipients who were selected for their outstanding professionalism that was frequently coupled with community outreach—local or in their home country.

Social worker at Queens Hospital Tina Morris's nomination from those she works with came as a complete surprise.

"The evening was outstanding," she summed it up afterwards, voicing how many of the awardees felt. "It was well thought out and fun. My favorite part of the evening was listening to each honoree's journey."

The paths to a career in healthcare were varied including the struggle of newly arrived immigrants or graduates straight from high school. Some awardees were single moms who returned to school for professional certification, some were first

generation-born Americans pursuing the dream.

Doctors, nurses, dentists, social workers, home health care workers, and trainers were among the awardees.

Some career journeys were direct, others recipients experienced starts and detours, yet perseverance triumphed among them all. Family, mentors and often their religious faith factored into the support and success of recipients.

Shouldering family responsibilities and staying focused through the years, Jamaican immigrant Ruby Bryan worked her way up from health home aide to becoming a registered nurse, at the age of 62.

While receiving her award, DJ Funky Fatboy aka Colin played "I am blessed." Beaming, Ms. Bryan began to sing the lyrics and the entire room joined with her spontaneously. It was the most moving moment of the evening.

DJ Colin added his own mark, playing well-known songs, frequently from the awardees' origin countries. Adrian Dutchin's "I am Guyanese," Bob Marley tunes, or popular Chaka Khan hits got family and friends singing, however briefly, until the next awardee was announced.

Three generations of the family of Awardee Dr. Ella Richards-Francois sat at the same table as Ms. Bryan with her family. Dr. Richards-



Francois "found we have several things in common."

She added in a note to Caribbean Life that the award was especially meaningful, not just because she is devoted to the Caribbean community, but, because her parents, able to attend the gala, worked in healthcare their entire lives

and now are retired.

She said, "My mother was a nurse for over 45 years, and my father was a chemist in a biophysics lab (also at Downstate) for over 40 years." Dr. Richards-Francois conveyed that by extension, their life's work was also being honored that evening.



Four nurse army reservists—three lieutenant colonels and one colonel—gained much respect in their uniforms as they received awards.

Lieutenant Colonel Joan Davis wrote us following the gala, "When I looked around the room on June 25, and

saw the years of experience, degrees, talent, and service given to our adopted country, I thought, 'what a privilege to be among such a phenomenal group.'"

Lieutenant Colonel Pulette Williams joined in the kudos, "It was such a pleasure to be amongst friends, fam-

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ily and acquaintances, and to hear of the different contributions given by all the other nominees throughout their health care professions. I was so happy to have my family attend.”

While each of the 48 was honored individually, on behalf of the doctor and nurse recipients, Awardees Dr. Vincent Hutchinson, President of the Caribbean American Medical and Scientific Association and Claudette Powell, president of the Caribbean American Nurses Association, gave acceptance speeches.

With great admiration for the recipients, former Jamaican Consul General Genevieve Brown Metzger was

a very cordial Master of Ceremonies.

Hon. Omya David, chair of the CARICOM Consular Corps, representing 13 Caribbean Communities, gave the keynote address. After offering congratulations, she added, “I believe that these 48 found their calling and life’s purpose in their respective healthcare profession.”

Ms. David cited important numbers from State Comptroller DiNapoli’s Economic Snapshot of Brooklyn, that healthcare and social assistance sectors are the dominant employers in Brooklyn with 160,410 jobs in 2012 and accounting for one-third of all private sec-



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tor jobs. “It is reasonable to conclude that quite a large number of our Caribbean American brothers and sisters are employed in the healthcare field ranging from MDs to home healthcare workers,” she said.

She mentioned how the

Consular Corps, on Aug. 23, is partnering with three Caribbean medical associations, CANA, CAMSA and CWAH, for the Caribbean Health Fair—their third year as a partner. The Fair will be in the parking lot and gym at St. Jerome Catho-

lic Church, located at Nosstrand and Newkirk Avenues. Ms. David gave a shout-out to those present; they need volunteers.

She also noted that Caribbean American healthcare professionals are important to the Caribbean communi-

ty for their ability to provide culturally competent care while being culturally sensitive. And also, Caribbean American professionals can help educate the community particularly those with limited access or means to healthcare.

1. Caribbean American Healthcare awardees at Tropical Paradise Ballroom ceremony. From left, front row, Lt. Col. Joan R. Davis, Lt. Col. Paulette P Williams, Col. Carol St. Pierre, Lt. Col. Alison L. McKenzie, Winsome McLean Davis and Magalie Marcelin. back row: Dr. Roy London, Lorna Rawle’s representative, Dr. Ronald McLean, Dr. Tracey Joseph, Patricia Nicholas and Dr. J. Keith Joseph. 2. Honoree Dr. Juliet M. Nevins with Nasry Michelen. 3. Honoree Dr. Emmanuel Valery accepts award from Dominick Stanzione, COO of Maimonides Medical Center. 4. Honoree Jennifer Morris receives her award at the Caribbean American Healthcare ceremony. 5. Front row from left: Mohanie Hemraj, Tenisha Brown, Debra Ambrose, Avril Silcott, Veronica Alert and Ruby Bryan. Back row from left: Representative for Veronica Greenland, Yvette Halstead, Lorna Samuels, Dorian P. Samuels, Janet Bowen, Dr. Ella-Jean Richards-Francois, Dr. Christian Guillen and Jacqueline Gilbert. 6. Front row from left: Prof. Denese Ramadard, Merle Warren, Dr. Millicent Comrie’s daughter, Sasha Comrie, Veronica Alert, Opal Sinclair-Chung, and Claudette D. Powell. Back row from left: Tina Morris, Jennifer A. Henry, Dr. O’Neill E. Parris, Dr. Vincent Hutchinson, Beverly Nichols and Angella Williams.

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Consular Corps chair appeals to Caribbean healthcare professionals

By Nelson A. King

Chair of the Caribbean Community Consular Corps in New York, Antigua and Barbuda's Deputy Consul General, Omyma David, has called on Caribbean American healthcare professionals to help educate nationals about their health.

"I know that many of you are already doing so, but we also need to encourage the younger healthcare professionals to join the education thrust as well," said David in delivering the keynote address Thursday night, at the first Caribbean American Healthcare Awards gala, at Tropical Paradise Ballroom on Utica Avenue in Brooklyn.

"We recognize that there are many health challenges within our communities," added David at the event, organized by Caribbean Life newspaper, considered the largest circulating Caribbean newspaper in the United States.

"We also recognize that we have access to the community and can mobilize them to attend an event where they can feel safe," she continued. "However,



CARICOM Diplomatic Corps Chair Hon. Omyma David. Photo by Nelson A. King

we don't have the technical skills to provide the health services they need."

But the Antiguan envoy said activities, such as the annual Caribbean Health Fair in Brooklyn, "provide opportunities for our health care professionals to work together and give back a few volunteer hours of well-needed services to our community."

David said this year's health fair will be held on Aug. 23 in the parking lot and gym at St. Jerome Catholic Church, at

the corner of Nostrand and Newkirk avenues in East Flatbush, Brooklyn.

She said, in the last two years, the CARICOM Consular Corps partnered with the Caribbean American Nurses Association (CANA) to host the Caribbean Health Fair.

Last year, David said the Caribbean American Medical and Scientific Association (CAMSA) joined the collaboration; and, this year, the Caribbean Women's Health Association (CWAHA) will be an integral part of the event.

"If you are one of those healthcare providers who found your calling and would like to participate, please speak to me afterwards," she urged.

David said Caribbean American healthcare professionals are "especially important" to our community for two reasons.

Firstly, she said they provide "culturally-competent care to their Caribbean patients and help to ensure that services are culturally-sensitive to our community, so that health care disparities can be reduced."

Secondly, she said



Above: From left, Dr. Roy London, Corey Provost, Caribbean Life's Publisher Clifford Luster and Sen. John Sampson. Photo by Nelson A. King

Right: Honoree Magalie Marcelin at the Caribbean American Healthcare awards ceremony at Tropical Paradise Ballroom with Caribbean Life Associate Publisher Ralph D'Onofrio (left) and guest. Photo by William Farrington

research indicates that the health of immigrants to the United States worsens the longer they are here.

"How is this possible in a nation that is supposed to have the best healthcare in the world?" David asked.

She said part of the answer is that, as newcomers assimilate, "they adopt the unhealthy dietary and physical activity habits of



longtime residents."

The other reason is that quality healthcare is not accessible to everyone, "particularly those who are low-income, (have) limited English Proficient, have no

health insurance and live in 'health deserts,'" David said.

The diplomat said this inevitably results in many being forced to use emergency rooms "as a source of

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primary care, which is a 'lose-lose' situation for both the patient and the over-burdened health system."

David said she has personally found doctor office visits to "sometimes mirror 'speed-

dating', even if you have a good health insurance, and are able to successfully navigate the often complex health-care system."

She said she has heard many complain that, despite going

to the same provider for a year or more, "they have yet to develop a rapport that encourages meaningful dialogue due to the rushed and impersonal nature of time spent with their doctors.

1. Honoree Sandra Abedeen receives her award from Caribbean Life's Associate Editor Kevin Williams. 2. Former Consul General of Jamaica Genieve Metzger Brown and Jean Alexander, director of Marketing and Public Relations for the West Indian American Day Carnival Association. 3. Honoree Dr. Bernadette Sheridan. 4. Honoree Mari-sol Italia Perez at the Caribbean American Healthcare awards ceremony. 5. Honoree Guilaine Michaud at the Caribbean American Healthcare awards ceremony at Tropical Paradise Ballroom. 6. Maimonides COO Dominick Stanzone presents an award to Honoree Danielle Laraque's representative at the Caribbean American Healthcare awards ceremony at Tropical Paradise Ballroom. Photos 1,3,4,5,6 by William Farrington/Photo 2 by Nelson King



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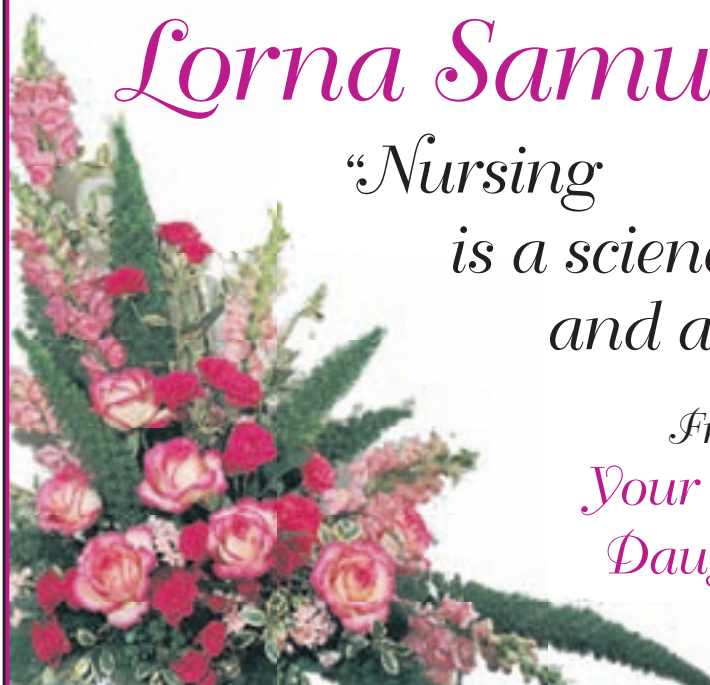
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Barbados

Barbados is considering a proposal to make it mandatory for school principals, church leaders, social workers, court officials and media workers, among others, to report knowledge of child abuse.

Persons who may be aware of instances of child abuse, but do not inform the authorities, could be brought before the courts and face possible jail, according to the law being proposed.

This was disclosed by Child Care Board Director Joan Crawford, who said; "there are no ifs or buts. It will be that you are bound to report. The only exception there is that lawyer-client privilege, but all others are not considered that way."



Further explaining the proposal before cabinet, she said, "Failure to report a suspected case should carry a sanction in the form of a fine, with the alternative of imprisonment."

Crawford's revelation came during a symposium on student sexual abuse, where UNICEF Representative Knu-Sandi Lwin suggested that education officials and others involved in the delivery of education can be blamed for not disclosing all information on probable cases of child abuse.

Guyana

The Guyana government says it has settled the issue of its nationals wanting to study law and practice in the region.

A government statement said that President Donald Ramotar had discussed the issue at a meeting chaired by CARICOM Chairman St. Vincent and the Grenadines Prime Minister Dr. Ralph Gonsalves and Chairman of



Adapting to climate change

Caribbean scientists are developing drought-tolerant varieties of crops which are then distributed to farmers in countries most severely affected by climate change. See page 22.

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the Council of Legal Education of the West Indies, Jacqueline Samuels-Brown, QC.

The statement said that the meeting, which was also attended by senior officials of the law schools of the Caribbean, was to address, specifically, the issue of the impasse affecting University of Guyana law students gaining entry into the Hugh Wooding Law School in Trinidad and Tobago generally, the review of legal education in the West Indies.

"It was decided that the top 25 Guyanese national, graduates of the University of Guyana Law Program 2013, will enjoy automatic entry into the Sir Hugh Wooding Law School (T&T) for

the academic year commencing Sept. 2-13, 2014 and that additional ten students who are non-Guyanese nationals graduating of the said program will enjoy automatic entry into Norman Manley in Jamaica or Eugene Dupuch Law School depending on which zone their territory falls," the statement said.

Haiti

A key suspect in the murder of a prominent journalist in Haiti has been extradited from Argentina.

An investigating judge has described Philippe Markington as one of the main suspects in the death of Jan Dominique, the former director of Radio Haiti and

his gatekeeper Jean-Claude Louisant, who were killed on April 3, 2000.

The suspect recently returned to Haiti, escorted by Haitian police who had been sent to arrest him in Argentina. Investigators have since been interrogating him.

Markington, is a close ally of former president Jean-Bertrand Aristide appeared in court recently as part of the continuing investigation into the murders.

International arrest warrants have been issued for several other people, including a former legislator, who have been described as



the mastermind of the crime.

Jamaica

The University of the West Indies has started a search for a replacement for Professor Nigel Harris who will demit office as vice-chancellor in April next year.

Professor Harris has been UWI vice-chancellor for the past 10 years.

The UWI has indicated that it has now started the process to find a replacement for Professor Harris.

The UWI said all qualified persons are eligible to apply, however, West Indian nationals, within the region and the diaspora will be given priority.

The closing date for application is July 28, 2014.

The successful applicant will take up office in May 2015.

The vice-chancellor is responsible for, among other things, the efficient running of the university.



St. Kitts

Former National Security Minister Dwyer Astaphan has questioned whether it is legal to accept the virtual currency Bitcoin as payment from someone applying for St. Kitts and Nevis citizenship through the citizenship by investment program.

"The Bitcoin thing is not an official currency. I don't know that our constitution or our laws allow Bitcoin to be a currency to be used in any dealing to do with anything of St. Kitts and Nevis," he said.

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New effort to fix immigration system

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them to act," added Obama, castigating Republicans for their failure "to pass a darn bill."

The White House said the president decided to take action after Speaker of the House of Representatives, John A. Boehner (R-Ohio) told him last week that the House would not vote on immigration legislation this year, according to the New York Times.

Obama said he had ordered a shift of immigration enforcement resources from the interior of the country toward the southern border.

He asked his close advisors to report back to him by the end of the summer on additional actions to adopt.

The actions could be as far-reaching as giving work permits and protection from deportation to millions of immigrants now in the country, the Times said.

Just before Monday's

announcement, Obama wrote to congressional leaders saying he would soon request emergency funding — expected to top \$2 billion — to address the Southwestern influx.

He also requested additional authority for the Department of Homeland Security to expedite the return of the unaccompanied children to their countries of origin.

In his letter to Boehner, Obama said he was updating him on his administration's efforts to address "the urgent humanitarian situation in the Río Grande Valley areas of our Nation's Southwest border, and to request that the Congress support the new tools and resources we need to implement a unified, comprehensive Federal Government response.

"While overall apprehensions across our entire border have only slightly increased during this time



President Barack Obama. AP Photo/Pablo Martinez Monsivais

period and remain at near historic lows, we have seen a significant rise in apprehensions and processing of children and individuals from Central America who are crossing into the United States in the Río Grande Valley areas of the Southwest border," he added.

"The individuals who embark upon this perilous journey are subject to violent crime, abuse, and extortion as they rely on dangerous human smuggling networks to transport them through Central America and Mexico," he continued.

Jamaica gov't amends Drug Act

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users of small quantities of marijuana will no longer have a criminal record and that smoking of the illegal drug would be decriminalized under certain conditions.

In a statement released by the government changes to the law would permit: "the possession of small quantities for personal use, the smoking of marijuana in private places and the use of marijuana for medicinal/medicinal purposes."

The change may have been hastened by claim that marijuana "is becoming widely accepted across the world and that it has therapeutic use. Medical and scientific research on the drug has shown it to be effective in reducing nausea and vomiting, stimulating appetite, promoting weight gain and the treatment of glaucoma. Allegedly, it has been used to treat spinal cord injuries and multiple sclerosis, relief of migraine headaches, depression,

seizures, insomnia and chronic pain.

Reports of patients who suffer from the effects of cancer, HIV/AIDS and other diseases "have found significant relief of various symptoms from the use of marijuana, though in many cases they are forced to do so illegally."

Reportedly Jamaican scientists, Professor Manley West and Dr. Albert Lockhart developed the drug Canasol from the marijuana plant for the treatment of glaucoma. Dr. Henry Lowe, another local specialist has also been involved in research in the same area of research. He recently launched a company to pursue more comprehensive research and made applications for related commercial advances.

Other arguments were raised that "imposition of harsh penalties has not proven to be an effective deterrent to smoking the weed." And allegedly the use of marijuana is preva-

lent in the society — at all ages. In fact, there is claim that "prohibition serves to enhance the mystique of the forbidden activity, and thereby encourages adolescent use."

But already opposition is mounting and at the forefront is a group from The Medical Association of Jamaica (MAJ). They are against the changes and contend that the relaxation of the laws will lead to more usage and consequently more mental problems among the population. In response to Golding's announcement the MAJ has asked the Cabinet to reconsider its position in line with health practice and science.

MAJ President Dr. Shane Alexis argued that the decision will cause more mental and physical health problems for Jamaicans, especially the youth.

"As physicians we have been confronted first hand with and seen the devastating effects of the misuse of marijuana," Dr. Alexis said.



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The 'Democratic' origin and evolution of racism

By **Ezrah Aharone**

Einstein reasoned, you "cannot alter a condition with the same mindset that created it in the first place." In other words, solutions require thinking that transcends the mindset which caused and/or contributes to undesirable conditions. Using this premise to examine racism in America, the question becomes: To what origin is modern racism anchored and how can existing bounds of thought be transcended for new national discourse to redress the causes and conditions?

First, some honest but controversial realities must be recognized since racism did not emerge unexplainably. Racism in America originated from democracy in America. But America finds this offensive since it makes America's character appear no different than "undemocratic" people that America "won't negotiate with" today. To deflect this onus, America maintains the flawed notion that the impact of slavery and segregation is inconsequential. . . that 50 years of desegregation somehow nullifies four centuries of dehumanization.

This popularizes the misbelief that racism is no longer structural nor intrinsic to society, but rather attitudinal and limited to "random" outbursts from "fringe" individuals like Donald Sterling, whose proposed punishment involves forcing him to profit from selling the Clippers (with 12 of 14 players being Black) for \$2 billion.

Modern racism is an extension of 1619 slavery, conjoined to profit-

earing. Despite the grandeur, July 4, 1776 is when racism was not only normalized in democracy, but also camouflaged through flowery language in America's founding documents. This has furnished American democracy with a velvet-glove exterior that encases the racism of its interior. Hence, no other contemporary people in a "democracy" have undergone more systemic racism longer than African Americans . . . and although slavery is immoral, it wasn't quite "immoral-enough" to discredit anyone from making Mt. Rushmore.

To be fair, upon ridding themselves from what they deemed British tyranny, the founders could have genuinely become extraordinary by simply honoring their "creed of equality." But rather than condemn slavery, they used their sovereign powers to enforce slavery. This helped incubate a fixed ideo-political environment for "guilt-free racism" to saturate society inter-generationally, whereby reparations is still dismissed as near-laughable.

Based on "military necessity" emancipation occurred in 1865 but without proper conciliatory or compensatory measures. Democracy thereafter produced 99 more years of systemic racism that encompassed: reconstruction failures; sharecropping peonage; Black Codes; convict leasing; thousands of uninvestigated lynchings; medical experimentations at Ivy League universities; and Lincoln's 13th Amendment that abolished

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WIPO and Caribbean IP, what's the point?

By **Abiola Inniss**

Recent months have seen a few interesting intellectual property symposia in the Caribbean, in particular the WIPO-JIPO Regional Conference on IP and creative industries, which was held in Jamaica from Feb. 10-12, 2014. It is quite interesting that in spite of the intention that it should be regional as indicated in the title of the conference, there seems to have been little participation from the 15-member countries of CARICOM and that most of the sessions focused on Jamaica and its situation, perhaps a natural outcome of the WIPO-JIPO collaboration. Progressive Caribbean intellectuals in the area of intellectual property were also notably absent from the forum. In both of these situations, WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization) holds responsibility for not ensuring that the conference was widely advertised and that leading regional intellectuals were sourced. Without the

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involvement of a wide range of Caribbean participants, such a forum was nothing more than a Jamaica IP conference and the results of the consultations cannot be reflective of the regional interests.

Jamaica is to be commended for its leading role in hosting the conference as well as its proactive stance on issues of reproduction rights and the creation of digital educational materials. It also operates the most progressive copyright licensing office in the Caribbean and seems to be working very hard to accommodate the newer forms of digital works,

which require copyright protection. The issue of the relevance of intellectual property to regional growth is yet to be properly addressed and this leaves the majority of countries asking the question "What's in it for me?," and "How do we go about implementing a system that works for us at home and complies with international requirements to an acceptable degree?" The WIPO statistics for 2013 on IP registration in select countries in the Caribbean indicate that IP has accounted for a very small percentage of the GDP and that there has been no substantial growth for some time (see WIPO IP Facts and Figures 2013), a more particular example of this is that for the year 2012, Jamaica recorded 114 patent applications and 64 for industrial designs, Barbados had a total of 36 patents, 1397 trademark applications and four for industrial designs, Trinidad and Tobago recorded nothing in any

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Ending the Taxpayer Subsidy for bonuses

By **Lloyd Doggett**

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Looking back on Grenada's revolution phase

A huge debt is owed to filmmaker Bruce Paddington for the very important document he assembled for the Caribbean archives as producer-director of "Forward Ever: The Killing of a Revolution," about the dramatic happenings that led to both emergence and implosion of the Maurice Bishop-led People's Revolutionary Government in Grenada. Embarking on what he surely must have known would be no cakewalk of an undertaking, Paddington's determination to burrow into what drove this extraordinary chapter of Caribbean social evolution yields much that conceivably enhances understanding of the flow of events. Even so, Paddington revealed, after the New York premiere screening of the film recently, that his attempts to secure interviews with Bernard Coard and Hudson Austin had so far been fruitless. One hopes that such key constituents of the tapestry will not long remain excluded, to further enrich the work.

Coard was of course the deputy prime minister in Bishop's leadership team who tends to get much of the blame for the chaotic goings-on that culminated in the execution of Bishop and others

in October 1983. One commentator suggests in the film that the number one reason for the revolutionary government's collapse was Coard's "blind personal ambition" to become its leader and his failure to appreciate that this wasn't a view shared by the people. Austin was the military leader who evidently chose to stand with the party faction opposing Bishop.

Revisiting the narrative even all these years later, it's clear that the surreal quality of Grenada's brush with revolution has in no way diminished. It is still very pertinent to ask: Was this unfolding drama really set in the English-speaking Caribbean? Beginning with the New Jewel Movement (NJM) seizing power from Eric Gairy in 1979, there would forever be lingering doubt, whether the people of Grenada, given their indoctrination, could become fully comfortable with the governance model that was the declared preference of Bishop and company. Gairy being by then seen as "an embarrassment to Grenada," as someone notes in the film, transitioning to the NJM option was easy enough when the page was first turned. With time, though,

Viewpoint

By Les Slater

and certain facets of this radical prescription for social change becoming living reality, would come the inevitable second guessing from some quarters.

One observer was probably reflecting the sentiments of many fellow nationals when she remarked that, because of the "massive support" Bishop enjoyed when Gairy was ousted, had he called an election at that time, he would have been "legitimately in government for five years." The inference being that the process that was instead chosen by Bishop and the NJM wasn't exactly a choice to which a substantial enough number of Grenadians gave sanction. A different read, naturally, from Bishop, his colleagues and their supporters. Theirs was the practice of "grassroots democracy," they insisted, in which decision making power was enjoyed by "the people." Bishop evidently spared no effort to underscore how much the Peo-

ple's Revolutionary Government was about true proletarian power.

With every revolution, Bishop explains to his flock, comes the need to be alert to forces of counter-revolution. Quite expectedly, others felt that, as an attempt to justify what they saw as clearly undemocratic practices, the "counter-revolution" line didn't fly. Not for the group which attempted to publish a newspaper when there was no "independent" publication existing, and saw their operation shut down after two issues. Not by those appalled by the many persons (rumored to be thousands) detained. That it was all in the interest of "national security" was, again, not a cocktail everyone was prepared to drink.

Given all of which, how ironic that it was from within the very NJM that fissuring developed that caused the government's downfall and the mayhem that attended it. What was the spark? More than one central participant, we learn, claim to have forewarned Bishop of a growing undercurrent of opposition to his leadership, in which both Coard and his wife Phyllis, also prominent in the governing crew, were key – an undercurrent to which Bishop was not attuned,

says one ally, and worse, brushed off as non-existent.

One suspects that by the time the situation morphed to where a shared-leadership arrangement with Coard was being proposed to Bishop, the spiral was probably irreversible. Setting the stage for the general misdirection that ensued. So much so that the film's probing of the source of any order issued for Bishop and his associates' elimination yields nothing definitive. What we do know, of course, is that a very avoidable descent into anarchy created a picture-perfect scenario for the extra-territorial involvement that wiser heads would instinctively have deplored, yet couldn't but pragmatically appreciate. American military input, Dominica's Eugenia Charles is heard to say, wasn't something the U.S. imposed, but response to a request from Grenada's neighbors.

So, had things not spun out of control and facilitated the demise of a charismatic leader, what then? Would Grenada have acclimated itself fully to the culture of "comrade," "comrade leader," "Central Committee" and such? More than likely not, we would wager.

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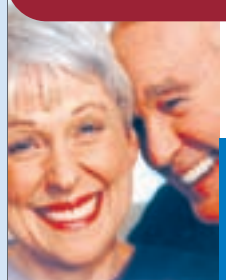
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CARIBBEAN ROUNDUP

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 ship. I suppose maybe buying real estate or whatever, by Bitcoin. What does the government has to say about this? What education program has the government engaged in, so that the public of this country will know what Bitcoin is, and to see how Bitcoin being used as an item of exchange in this system, is acceptable. What does the Central Bank have to say?



Astaphan, a veteran cabinet minister in the Dr. Denzil Douglas administration, resigned from the office just before the 2010 general election.

St. Lucia

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St. Vincent

St. Vincent and the Grenadines Foreign Affairs Minister Camillo Gonsalves says

the process to allow nationals to travel to 27 countries in Europe visa-free is taking longer than expected and the initiative should become a reality early next year.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines is among countries approved at the level of the European Parliament, to have Schengen visa waiver, but Gonsalves said Europe have to take various bureaucratic steps to authorize their foreign affairs people to negotiate with St. Vincent and the Grenadines and other approved countries in terms of a reciprocal visa waiver.



He said the process has taken longer than expected since originally a number of island states were being considered for visa-free waiver.

Trinidad

US Assistant Secretary of State William Brownfield said the murder of Senior Counsel Dana Seetahal was an "organized hit."

Ambassador Brownfield, who holds responsibility for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs in the US Department of State pointed to a direct correlation between street crime and transnational drug trafficking as he addressed the killing of Seetahal during a media teleconferencing recently to discuss US/Caribbean security operations.

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Caribbean Intellectual Property

Continued from page 10 category, and Guyana had nothing as well. The argument has been made that several developing countries including Malaysia, Korea, China, India and Brazil have managed to achieve relatively high levels of economic growth in the absence of strong intellectual property rights, but this was all in the past before the internet era dawned changing the economic paradigm, and introducing a system into which international trade has become subsumed, and the exchange of all kinds of information has become instantaneous.

It should be of great concern to thinkers, policymakers and international organizations involved in the field of IP, that such symposia which can help to enlighten and perhaps redirect regional efforts into positive action, do not reach the majority that needs the information the most. There is little point

in the continuous hosting of meetings and other talk shops that do not reach top policymakers and other key decision makers and therefore do not make any noticeable contribution to changing the ways in which the Caribbean region treats with intellectual property issues. The approach to creating the balance of interests in public policy, which will allow for IP regimen both compliant with local needs and international responsibilities, requires intellectual expertise and practical application; thus far CARICOM has failed to demonstrate any leadership in this area and has focused millions of dollars on considerable attention on reparations from slavery as a means of aiding development in the region, an action so preposterous within the context of modern development which is based on research and innovations, that one can hardly think whether to laugh or cry.

The Organization of

Eastern Caribbean States has begun taking steps towards arranging its IP affairs in a comprehensive manner after the example of Jamaica and with properly accessed and applied expertise can be expected to make real progress within the next five years. In the meantime, the statistical and other evidence on research and innovations as discussed above demonstrate the grave weaknesses in policy and practical application across the region, WIPO and other international organizations, which claim to work towards providing relevant resources for IP development would do well to rework their approach to Caribbean Intellectual Property.

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Evolution of racism

Continued from page 10 slavery, yet provided wiggle-room for slavery to exist "as a punishment for crime."

Moreover, the 13th Amendment insultingly comprises only 43 words. Think about it How can 2 centuries of institutionalized slavery and racism be earnestly amended in merely 43 words? Paula Deen used more words to apologize for saying the N-word, and Imus for saying "nappy-headed hoes."

Racism has also evolved over time, whereas racists norms once entailed having your wife "borrowed" for the night; or being lynched to the delight of mobs for "being too big for your britches;" or being prohibited from drinking "white water" while policemen cannonball-blast you with white fire-hydrant water. Today however, Obama is president; Oprah is a billionaire; Dr. King has a holiday; Jay Z's partnership with Barney's remains intact; Denny's serves Black people;

and the Clippers have a symbolic interim Black CEO.

Racism now though is metaphorically like "death by a thousand cuts" from subtle but certain subordination and disparities in housing, healthcare, education, employment (firing/hiring/promotions/salary), wealth, profiling, arrests, incarceration

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tions, etc. And even more problematic is the psychosubliminal aspects of racism . . . Since the 1940s, the Clarks' "Doll Experiment" proves that Black children are socially engineered (by

age-5) to regard Black dolls/people as inferior, uglier, badder and dumber than White dolls/people.

This confirms the pathologies of what W.E.B. Dubois (1903) termed "Double Consciousness" and Carter Woodson (1933) termed "Mis-Education," which stagnated original Black development and world contributions. Such engineering also constricts the boundaries of thought that require transcending to redress racism, as Einstein alluded.

In response, African Americans should aver to no longer allow the historiography of the Black experience to be politically tortured with skewed idealisms until it falsely confesses the sanitized versions of democracy that anchor the structural, attitudinal, psychological racism of today.

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Panama Canal expansion creates new regional opportunities

By Nelson A. King

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In addressing the opening of the three-day, ninth meeting on June 18 Executive Secretary for Integral Development of the OAS, Sherry Tross, recalled that more than 80 percent of world trade is transported by sea, and noted that the redevelopment of the Panama Canal will increase traffic and maritime trade worldwide.

"This increased capacity not only implies savings for world trade, but has the potential to increase trade between Latin America and the world," she said.

"The impending expansion of the Panama Canal presents both challenges and opportunities for the entire region," she added. "This expansion has the potential to stimulate trade in the region and, as we know, has already spurred



A ship arrives with new rolling gates for the Panama Canal's third set of locks for the canal's expansion project at Limon Bay, Gatun, Panama, Tuesday, June 10, 2014.

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infrastructure development designed to increase port capacity for large vessels post-Panama."

Tross also expressed concerns about the environmental impact that will create the increase in maritime trade and port areas.

"This has had the effect of spurring more cross-

sector dialogue and collaboration among policy makers and the public and private sectors on issues ranging from environmental management to the port-city relationships, intermodal investments and traffic flows," she said.

Additionally, the OAS official said the increase in

maritime traffic requires OAS member-states to modernize their laws, guidelines and regulations for the implementation and enforcement of international safety standards, as well as the improvement of physical infrastructure and appropriate human resources training.

Antigua, China investors plan big tourism project

By David McFadden

KINGSTON, Jamaica (AP) — The new government of Antigua & Barbuda has signed an agreement with Chinese investors to build a major resort and residential development project in the twin-island Caribbean nation.

Gaston Browne became prime minister on Friday after leading his Antigua & Barbuda Labor Party to a dominating win in general elections. Over the weekend, he signed a memorandum of agreement with a Chinese company for a proposed \$740 million project on outlying Guiana Island and nearby parcels.

Plans call for the construction of five luxury hotels, 1,300 residential units, a casino, golf course, and marina, among other things.

The 460-acre (184-hectare) Guiana Island and the additional patchwork of land was previously owned by convicted Ponzi schemer R. Allen

Stanford, a Texas financier who based his fraudulent offshore banking empire in Antigua and funded the islands' government before his 2009 arrest by U.S. authorities. Developers will have to purchase the roughly 1,500 acres of land from Stanford liquidators.

Browne's Labor Party announced late Sunday that the new prime minister signed the agreement with Yida Zhang, director of Yida International Investment Antigua Ltd., after eight hours of negotiations.

Attorney General and Labor Minister Steadroy C.O. Benjamin said the resort and residential development will provide jobs for a country that was hit hard by the global economic recession and the 2009 collapse of Stanford's fraudulent empire.

"This project will ensure that we move people from unemployed to being employed," Benjamin said.

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Tax subsidy hurts working Americans

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meaning than most small-business owners assume when trying to grow their companies.

Excessive pay and other corporate tax avoidance often go hand in hand. In a recent study, Anthony Petrello of Nabors Industries topped the list of highest-paid executives, with pay totaling \$68.2 million in 2013. Nabors renounced its American citizenship to avoid taxes in 2002, when it moved its place of incorporation to Bermuda, while keeping many of its corporate operations in Houston, Texas.

Walmart is a good example of how this tax loophole has contributed to out-of-whack executive pay. Between 2009 and 2014, eight top executives were paid a total of \$334 million, of which nearly \$300 million—or 90 percent—was supposedly “performance” pay, according to a report by Americans for Tax Fairness and the Institute for Policy Studies. The taxpayer subsidy

for Walmart’s bonuses: more than \$100 million.

Walmart’s not alone. The total cost of subsidizing CEO super salaries at America’s biggest corporations over the next decade is \$50 billion, according to the nonpartisan Joint Committee on Taxation.

That kind of pricey loophole has a lot of company in the corporate tax code. The U.S. House of Representatives may soon take up two expired tax breaks that make it easier for big corporations to ship jobs and hide profits offshore. They will cost taxpayers \$80 billion over 10 years. Such loopholes allowed over 100 of the nation’s biggest corporations to pay zero federal income tax in one of the past five years, a recent Citizens for Tax Justice study found.

This tax subsidy hurts working Americans in other ways too. The \$50 billion cost of this loophole could pay for a lot of things—educating our kids, rebuilding roads and

bridges, finding new cures for dread diseases.

Even in this divided Congress, there has been bipartisan acknowledgement that we must fix this problem. Chairman Dave Camp, my Republican colleague on the Ways and Means Committee, included a similar, though more limited, provision in his draft tax reform plan. When Senator Chuck Grassley was chairman of the Senate Finance Committee he acknowledged that this area of the tax code is “broken.”

My legislation to eliminate this loophole would put an end to unlimited tax write-offs on executive pay. It would make the \$1 million tax-deduction cap real. There is similar legislation in the Senate.

Rep. Lloyd Doggett (D-TX) is a member of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee. Please note this article previously appeared in the Austin-American Statesman.



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Bright path to digital careers at TechLink

By Gerad Best

More than thirty young Barbadians learned basic skills for developing successful mobile apps and producing high-quality digital photography at a special workshop facilitated by the BrightPath Foundation, in collaboration with Columbus Communications.

A mix of small business owners and entrepreneurs assembled at the Cave Hill School of Business for BrightPath's TechLink, a regional technology education program offering training in digital content creation and business development.

Bevil Wooding, executive director of BrightPath Foundation, described TechLink as "practical training in technology related skills to communities across the region."

"Making the shift from digital consumers to digital producers is important for creating the jobs and businesses of the future. How



BrightPath facilitator Juma Bannister, left, walks TechLink Barbados participants through the paces in a hands-on session in camera usage at Cave Hill School of Business, June 21. Photo courtesy The Brightpath Foundation

successfully we build the digital Caribbean of tomorrow depends on how well we build our technical capacity today," Wooding said.

Facilitators Stephen Lee, Mark Headley and Juma

Bannister led the sessions of the one-day workshop.

"What makes TechLink unique is that it really gets participants to see the impact they can have as content creators in what-

ever medium they choose," Lee said.

Lee, CEO of ArkiTechs Inc, an IT services company, is a Jamaica-born BrightPath volunteer. He led participants through

the fundamentals of mobile app development.

His eager young students were visibly and audibly enthused by the opportunity to get hands-on training.

In a nearby room, a group of photography enthusiasts were schooled by another expert volunteer facilitator. Juma Bannister, a Trinidad-based professional photographer and head of Relate Studios, covered the basics of digital photography and followed up by overseeing an afternoon of practical exercises around the scenic campus venue.

"Photography has always been a wonderful way to tell stories in pictures. Now, with the internet, we can also easily share those picture stories of our region with the world," Bannister said.

"Initiatives like BrightPath's TechLink benefit individuals and communities by enabling us to solve our own problems and cre-

ate our own opportunities. It creates independence, inspiring us to take risks, and encourages global involvement," said Shelly Ann Hee Chung, Columbus Communications vice president of sales and marketing for the Eastern Caribbean.

Commenting on the collaboration with BrightPath Lee said, "Columbus and BrightPath Foundation are equally committed to developing technology capacity in the Caribbean. Columbus' support for BrightPath's pioneering TechLink initiative brings this dream to life."

The TechLink initiative, launched in Grenada last November, is being rolled out across the Caribbean. The Barbados workshops were held on June 21. TechLink's next stop is scheduled to take place on July 12 in St. Lucia.

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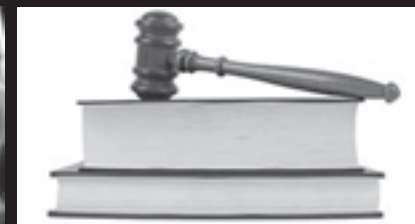


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Adapting to a dry season that never seems to end

By Desmond Brown

ST. JOHN'S, Antigua, Jun 26 2014 (IPS) - The Caribbean region's bid to become food secure is in peril as farmers struggle to produce staple crops under harsh drought conditions brought about by climate change.

But scientists are fighting back, developing drought-tolerant varieties which are then distributed to farmers in those countries most

severely affected.

"We are mainly affected by issues of drought and... CARDI has been looking at methods of sustainable management of production using drought tolerant varieties. We are working with certain commodities and doing applied research aimed at producing them in the dry season," Dr. Gregory Robin, CARDI representative and technical coordi-

inator for the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS), told IPS.

"We're starting first with the crops that are more significantly affected by drought. We take, for example, dasheen, which is a crop that requires a lot of moisture and I'm working with that crop in St. Vincent and St. Lucia," he said.

"Validation will serve Jamaica, Grenada, Domin-

ican Republic – all the islands that produce dasheen. Sometimes it's not cost-effective to do activities in all the islands so some of the sweet potato work done here can be used in St. Kitts, Barbados and islands with similar agro-ecological zones and rainfall patterns," he added.

The Trinidad-based CARDI (Caribbean Agricultural Research and Develop-

ment Institute), which has worked to strengthen the agricultural sector of member countries of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) for more than 30 years, is at the forefront of the research.

"CARDI has a body of professionals around the region so if we have any issues of climate change and drought, CARDI is a body of scientists that is available to

all the islands of the CARICOM region," Robin said. ST. JOHN'S, Antigua, Jun 26 2014 (IPS) - The Caribbean region's bid to become food secure is in peril as farmers struggle to produce staple crops under harsh drought conditions brought about by climate change.

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Haiti ex-prez Leslie Manigat has died

By Evens Sanon

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Leslie Manigat, a prominent figure in the Haitian political establishment whose term as president was cut short by a military coup in 1988, has died. He was 83.

The former president died at home before dawn Friday after a long period of illness, according to Evans Baubrun, deputy secretary of Manigat's political party.

Baubrun said Manigat's condition may have been complicated by a recent bout of chikungunya, a debilitating mosquito-borne virus that has been rapidly spreading in Haiti since the first locally transmitted cases emerged earlier this year.

His death "creates a huge void in the Haitian intellectual community and in the world," said Prime Minister Prime Laurent Lamothe. A statement issued by his office said Manigat "contributed to the education of several generations of Haitians and has helped to enhance our national pride."

Manigat, a former professor of history and political science, won the presidency in January 1988 amid the tumult that followed the fall of former dictator Jean-Claude Duvalier two years earlier.

The election, which was boycotted by the main opposition parties, was widely seen as illegitimate. A round of balloting three months earlier was called off after



In this Jan. 12, 1987 file photo, Leslie Manigat, presidential candidate of the National democratic Progressive Party, speaks in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

AP Photo/Scott Applewhite, File

gunmen shot into lines of voters at polling stations and other assailants hacked people to death. Witnesses said soldiers took part in the shooting and the opposition said the military organized the bloodshed to ruin the first free election in three decades.

Within six months, Manigat was ousted in a coup led by Lt. Gen. Henri Namphy. Upon fleeing to the neighboring Dominican Republic, he appeared finished with politics.

"I'm not going to fall into the classic trap of deposed political men who see the return to power from one moment to the other and pass all their time waiting for that imminent return," he told reporters at the time. "I'm not only a politician, but a political scientist. I can avoid that vision, that force of mistaken politics and personal frustration."

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Mighty Sparrow receives Carlos Lezama Award

By Nelson A. King

The Brooklyn-based West Indian American Day Carnival Association (WIADCA) on Monday night bestowed the Carlos Lezama Lifetime Achievement Award on the Mighty Sparrow, the Calypso King of the World, at a gala reception in Brooklyn.

The late Lezama, who was born in Venezuela and raised in Trinidad and Tobago, was the founder and fist president of WIADCA. The group was formed in 1967.

"I'm, indeed, very pleased, and I accept this award with great humility," said Sparrow after receiving the award from WIADCA's new president, William Howard, at the organization's Appreciation Cocktail Reception, at the elegant Giando on The Water catering house in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn.

Afterwards, Sparrow delighted the appreciative



The Mighty Sparrow (2nd from right) receives Carlos Lezama Lifetime Achievement Award, flanked by WIADCA president William Howard (r), Dominican-born Skyka Scotland (Mistress of Ceremony and WIADCA board member) and Jamaican-born Richard Pile, regional district manager, Caribbean, Delta Airlines. Right: Ninety-year-old singer, composer, guitarist Irving Burgie performing at the Giando on The Water catering house.

Photos by Nelson A. King

audience, which included Jamaican-born New York State Assemb. Nick Perry and New York State Sen.

John Sampson, the son of a Guyanese immigrant, with "Together We Aspire," "Congo Man" and "I Am a



Slave."

"There are some people who deserve to be appreciated, including the Mighty Sparrow," said Perry, who represents the 58th State Assembly District in Brooklyn. "There is no way to

over-indulge in expressing his contribution to Caribbean culture. He's blessed, and he's still standing."

WIADCA also conferred its Corporate Appreciation Award on Antonia Yuille Willams, director of public

affairs of the utility company, Con Edison.

In addition, the Allen Family, owner of the popular Allan's Bakery in Brooklyn, received WIADCA's Community Service Award.

The carnival group also celebrated the 90th birthday of Brooklyn-born singer, composer and guitarist Irving Burgie, who wrote the National Anthem of Barbados, with a cake. Burgie's mother was from Barbados.

Burgie then led the standing-room-only reception down memory lane, with the nostalgic "Day-O," "Down the Bay," and "O, Islands in the Sun."

Sparrow, 78, whose real name is Slinger Francisco, was awarded the Chaconia Gold medal in 1993 and the Humming Bird Silver medal in 1969 by the government of Trinidad and Tobago.

On returning earlier this year to a hero's welcome to Trinidad and Tobago, where he was raised and became famous—after he had slipped into a coma last September in a New York hospital and when rumored to be dead—the administration of Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Continued on Page 40



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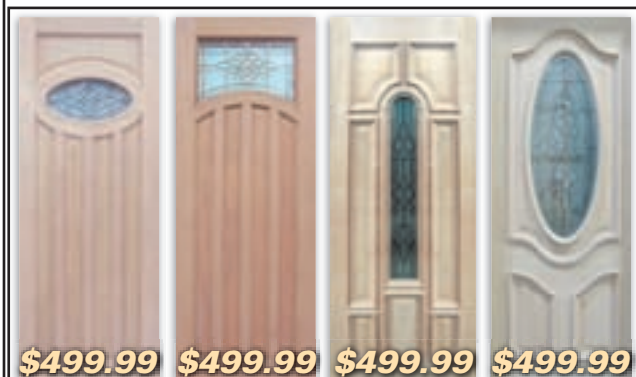
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Many people look forward to the warm weather, particularly senior citizens. Spending time outdoors can be healthy and refreshing, but seniors exposed to too much sun and heat could be at risk, medically.

Each year, exposure to high temperatures and humidity leads to hundreds of deaths across the country. Seniors comprise a large percentage of heat-related illnesses and deaths. They have a harder time adjusting to extreme temperatures than younger adults, which puts them at risk. Also, certain pre-existing medical conditions and medications could make older individuals more susceptible to heat-related ill-

ness.

One of the factors contributing to seniors' risk of health implications from hot weather is their loss of the sensation of thirst as they grow older. Without the desire to drink regularly, individuals could become dehydrated very easily. This, factored in with changes in body temperature regulation, can result in confusion, falls and other adverse, but preventable, effects.

Safety is of utmost concern during the warm weather. Do not take any situation lightly because it could impact one's health. Here are some precautions to follow.

Move slowly: Rushing around in hot weather can

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Cognitive ability better among bilingual seniors

Seniors who are bilingual and have spoken two or more languages since their youth may have cognitive advantages over adults who have only spoken one language their entire lives.

A new study headed by Brian Gold, a neuroscientist at the University of Kentucky College of Medicine, which was published in the journal *Neuroscience*, found that bilingualism leads to heightened mental skills. In the study, participants were divided into three groups: bilingual seniors, monolingual seniors, and younger adults. Each group was instructed to sort colors and shapes in a series of simple cognitive exercises. The researchers used a brain imaging technique to compare how well

the subjects switched between mental tasks. The results indicated there were different patterns of brain activity among the groups when the tasks were being completed.

The patterns showed that bilingual seniors were able to switch between tasks and activate their brains in a manner closer to the younger subjects. They didn't have to expend much effort, and they outperformed their peers who were monolingual. The researchers surmised the bilingual seniors were using their brains more efficiently.

Other studies have shown bilingualism pays even more dividends, including improved cognitive function in those suffering from Alzheimer's disease. A study titled

"Lifelong Bilingualism Maintains Neural Efficiency for Cognitive Control in Aging," found that even though seniors who spoke dual languages had more brain atrophy due to Alzheimer's, they were still able to function better than individuals with lower levels of atrophy who spoke one language. Researchers believe that being bilingual strengthens the brain's capacity for doing work, even if it is working at a deficit.

The jury is still out as to whether learning a second language or moving to a foreign country as an adult can provide the same level of cognitive advantage as being bilingual from childhood. However, learning a new language can help keep the brain sharp.

Safety

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cause body temperature to rise more quickly and make you even hotter. Slow down when it is warm and do plenty of relaxing.

Know the temperature indoors: The heat inside can quickly rise. Keep curtains and blinds drawn to reduce the amount of heat from the sun. Check the thermostat to find out the temperature. If you have an air conditioner or fan, turn it on to cool down the house if the temperature is creeping above 85 degrees Fahrenheit.

Drink plenty of fluids: Beverages — such as water, fruit juices, decaffeinated teas, and the like — can keep you hydrated and in top form. Avoid alcoholic beverages, soft drinks and caffeinated products.

Skip hot, heavy meals: Opt for cooler fare, such as cold sandwiches, fruit, and salads to keep your body temperature cooler.

Plan outdoor activi-



ties during cooler hours: If you must spend time outdoors, do so early in the morning or in the evening when the temperatures are bound to be lower.

Indulge in a little cooling off: Take a dip in a neighborhood pool or treat

yourself to an ice cream sundae to stay cool.

Don't ignore signs of health problems: If you feel dizzy, have shortness of breath, have stopped sweating, or experience confusion, it could be heat exhaustion.

New York Methodist Hospital helping seniors take control of their diabetes

For the 12 million Americans over the age of 65 who are currently living with diabetes — predominantly, type 2, or acquired, diabetes — the stakes are high. Diabetes is America's seventh leading cause of death, and complications of the disease can dramatically increase the risk for kidney failure, heart disease, vision loss, osteoporosis, and nerve damage or poor blood flow that may require limb amputation.

The good news is that those who carefully self-manage their treatment have a good chance of minimizing complications and enjoying a rich

quality of life. However, healthy coping and management requires the right balance of medication, diet and exercise. For this reason, New York Methodist Hospital's Diabetes Education and Resource Center provides comprehensive diabetes self-management education that helps patients with diabetes take charge of their health.

"We are to here to educate and empower patients to achieve the major objective of treatment for diabetes — the maintenance of normal blood sugar levels," said Mark Doublet, nutritionist and diabetes educator with the Center. "The day-to-day responsibility for di-



Dr. Edmund Giegerich, chief of endocrinology and medical director of the Diabetes Education and Resource Center at New York Methodist Hospital assists a patient.

abetes management falls to the patients, and we want to help each of them achieve the best possible quality of life."

The Diabetes Education and Resource Center's staff includes endocrinologists, diabetes educators and nutrition-

ists, all of whom collaborate to develop diabetes self-management plans for each individual patient based on his or her needs. A treatment plan may involve a weight loss program, a change in eating or exercise habits, coping strategies, or instruction on how to properly manage and administer daily insulin doses.

"Successful diabetes treatment depends on patients' ability to independently, prudently, and precisely self-manage their disease," said Dr. Edmund Giegerich, chief of endocrinology and medical director of the Center. "That process may involve developing

an ongoing relationship with an endocrinologist, workshops or individual sessions with a diabetes educator, nutritionist or exercise physiologist and/or additional consultations with specialists in related areas. When it comes to the ongoing treatment of seniors with diabetes, patients hold the keys to their own success."

To make an appointment at the Diabetes Education and Resource Center at New York Methodist Hospital, call (718) 246-8603. To find a physician affiliated with the Hospital's Institute for Diabetes and Other Endocrine Disorders, call (866) 445-2632.

Regular eye exams are important for seniors

MNAPS any seniors will be glad to learn that there are steps they can take to protect against vision problems — starting with an eye exam. A regular exam is key for seniors because some eye conditions and diseases do not show warning signs.

While it is commonly known that eye troubles increase rapidly with age — particularly after age 65 — a lesser-known fact is that vision loss is also associated with a higher incidence of falls, injuries, depression and social isolation.

A regular examination

As part of an overall health-maintenance strat-

egy, the American Academy of Ophthalmology urges seniors to have a comprehensive eye exam, especially if they have not had one in the past two years, whether or not there are symptoms.

The Academy also encourages seniors, their loved ones and caregivers to be aware of signs that indicate vision problems that require an eye exam.

These problems can include:

- Bumping into or knocking over objects.
- Stepping hesitantly.
- Squinting or tilting the head when trying to focus.
- Missing objects when reaching.
- Discontinuing everyday activities such as reading and writing.

Simple, painless eye exams are crucial in detecting an eye disease or condition in its early stages, to help preserve your sight. During the exam, an ophthalmologist — a medical doctor who specializes in eye care — will provide a diagnosis and treatment of all eye diseases and conditions.

Making eye care available

Despite medical evidence that healthy vision plays a critical role in overall health and happiness, many older adults in the United States do not seek regular eye care, or face difficulty accessing and paying for health care services.

To ensure that all seniors throughout the coun-

try have access to eye care services, nearly 7,000 volunteer ophthalmologists are available to provide eye care at no out-of-pocket cost to qualifying seniors 65 and older through EyeCare America, a public service program of the Foundation of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, which matches patients to volunteer ophthalmologists.

“Sight problems should not be ignored at any age, but particularly in seniors, as problems are more common in this group of patients,” said Dr. Richard P. Mills, chairman for EyeCare America. “The earlier a patient seeks medical diagnosis and treatment, the greater the chances for saving and recovering one’s vision.”



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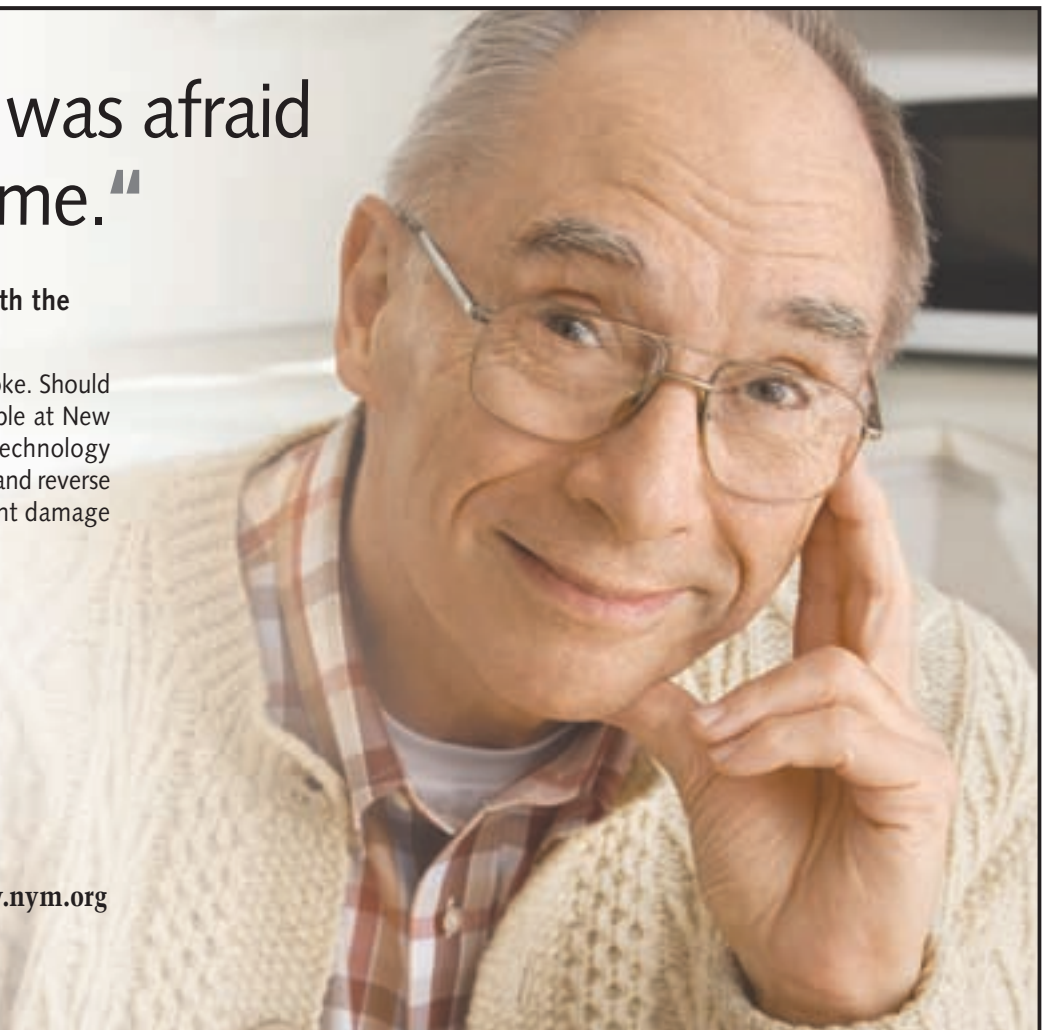
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The Wayans family is both outstandingly talented and successful. Damon, Keenen, Marlon and Shawn are not only known for their appearances in movies, standup comedy and television shows, but also for their work as writers, directors and producers. It was Keenen Ivory Wayans who was the first to achieve national promi-

nence by successfully creating, launching and hosting a landmark 1990s black-oriented comedy satire on Fox TV called *In Living Color*. That, in turn, ignited the careers of his younger siblings Damon (who was also a creator and writer on the show), Shawn, Marlon and their sister Kim.

Collectively the brothers have brought smiles and crying laughter to millions of fans throughout the years. The first feature film Keenen directed, *I'm Gonna Git You Sucka* (1988) starred brothers Damon and Shawn. Shawn co-wrote and starred in the hit comedy *Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking Your Juice in The Hood* (1996) with brother Marlon. The hit film, *Scary Movie* (2000) was co-written by Shawn and Marlon, directed by Keenen and is one of the most successful feature films ever directed by an African-American. Keenen,

Shawn and Marlon co-wrote the film *White Chicks* (2004) which Shawn and Marlon also starred in. The family also created *Thugaboo* and the subsequent *Boo Crew* animated specials for Nickelodeon, which began premiering in August 2006. The Wayans also wrote, directed and voiced the series, which took a humorous look at the trials and tribulations of nine inner city kids. These are just a few of the many projects that the Wayans have been involved in.

Damon is also well-known for his role on *My Wife and Kids* (2001-2005), a show he co-created, produced and wrote. Marlon is hosting the new show *Funniest Wins* (TBS) which premiered this month. Keenen is a celebrity judge on this season's *Last Comic Standing* (NBC), the Emmy Award-nominated series. All four brothers are currently on the road as part of the Wayans Brothers Live Tour.

Jamaicans rally in support of anti-gay cause

Recently on Gay Pride Day when millions flaunted tolerance and support for the LGBT community, in one Caribbean city, more than 25,000 people rallied against the international parade by supporting a newly organized civil society group named Jamaica Cause -- Churches Action Uniting Society for Emancipation.

"Our emancipation means standing up for strong families, our emancipation means standing against the homosexuality agenda, emancipation for us means standing up against the repealing of the buggery law," Alvin Bailey, chairman of the group said.

He said he plans to mobilize every Jamaican, church, temple and institution to unite around his agenda. "We will do all that is righteous and Godly to accomplish the cause," Bailey said.

"We are standing here today because we want to see the moral thermometer of our nation rise again," Rev. Donald Cole said.

"The seeds of greed and selfishness have been sown in the soil of corruption in public and private sector."

"As a people, we have compromised to crime, violence, immorality, abuse of the weak and disrespect of authority," Cole added. "When young people rape and kill each other we should take a serious look at what they're watching



Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

and hearing."

The preacher aimed directly at the government and its parliamentary body that is in the midst of discussions around repealing its buggery laws.

"The process of restoring the old boundary stones of right and wrong, lawful and unlawful and good and evil, should begin."

He also targeted the island's churches saying they faced and is still facing a challenge to be part of the solution in this crisis.

"The prophetic voice of the church is often ignored or discarded, yet the church is often accused of negligence."

Cole said that the church will increase its prophetic role and will not be silenced, especially when it should be speaking boldly.

According to police, the four-hour, mass rally held in the middle of the capital city of Kingston attracted a record number of protesters to Half-Way-Tree. Reports are that crowds turned out in numbers waving the national colors of black, green and gold.

One speaker called on Jamaicans to stand up for "strong and healthy families, righteousness and justice as well as to resist the homosexual agenda and the

repealing of the buggery act."

Spokesperson Camille Morrison endorsed the comments adding that biologically "di ting don't mek sense and as such it should not be imposed upon people as if it is something right."

"We not gonna mek dem mis-educate our children, we not gonna mek dem misinform our children," Betty-Ann Blaine, a child advocate stated.

Blaine said that there has been a 72 per cent increase in buggery among children and as such "there is no way we changing the buggery law."

She spoke passionately about children and revealed that she recently attended a funeral for a nine-month-old baby who was bugged and then killed.

Jamaica Cause was established following the removal of Professor Brendan Bain as director of the Caribbean HIV/AIDS Regional Training (CHART) Network.

CAUSE volunteers invited people to sign a petition against the repeal of the buggery law. They said they intend to send the petition to Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller.

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Double-dose musical treat at Madison

By Vinette K. Pryce

Fans of Diana Ross received a double-dose of delightful musical treat recently when the superstar entertainer yielded to her daughter Rhonda to open her one-night concert at the Theater at Madison Garden.

A star on the rise, Rhonda emerged from the shadows cast by her mother's Motown galaxy and in her own right launched into meteoric orbit that is bound to resonate throughout the planet.

On the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, Rhonda offered a music mélange far more diverse than imagined and in the process delivered inspirational, motivational and poetic consolation that paid homage to actress Ruby Dee, and poet Maya Angelou.

Modest and stunning in red, Rhonda seemed her



Diana Ross at the 54th annual Grammy Awards in Los Angeles. AP Photo/Chris Pizzello, File

mother's daughter when she tousled a halo of natural hair that shaped an ever-smiling face. With eyes that winked D-I-A-N-A undeniably brandishing the gene that gave her style, like cheekbone structure also reminded Ross-keteers of the young Berry Gordy protégée who broke free from a

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Reggae fans groove at Roy Wilkins Park

By Toni Dubois

Thousands of reggae fans migrated to Roy Wilkins Park in Queens on June 29 to attend the most anticipated event of the summer, the 4th annual Groovin in the Park festival known as New York's most classy summer music festival of the year. Headlining this year's event was Reggae hit machine Beres Hammond and Australian pop-rock legends Air Supply.

Chronixx, hailed as one of Jamaica's most talked about raising roots stars, and his

band Zinc Fence Redemption made their NYC festival debut, and Marcia Griffiths celebrated her 50th year in reggae with a couple of her friends (John Holt, Judy Mowatt and Bob Andy). The one-day event showcased the most exciting elements of Jamaican culture with its scrumptious lip-smacking cuisine and the exciting array of vibrant colors worn by many.

With over 100 million albums sold worldwide, Australian soft-rock pop leg-

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Patricia Janvier, one of the actors in "Romeo n Juliet."

SHAKESPEARE IN HARLEM

Star-crossed lovers bare their passion

By John Marrast

William Shakespeare's famed this summer as The Classical Theatre of Harlem (Ty Jones, producing artistic director; David Roberts, managing director) presents "Romeo n Juliet" at the Richard Rodgers Amphitheater in Marcus Garvey Park.

Justin Emeka, who edited and adapted the tragedy to bring the colorful characters of Harlem to life,

returns for the second year in row as director. A preview will be held on Friday, July 4. Performances, which are free and open to the public, run from July 5 through 27.

"Romeo n Juliet" is also the sophomore effort of Classical Theatre of Harlem (CTH) in presenting free summer programming at the recently renovated amphitheater. CTH again brings together

a dynamic cast and creative team of familiar faces from last season's critically acclaimed A Midsummer Night's Dream, along with some talented new additions. The production, which has a multiracial cast, is designed to bring professional entertainment to the local community, while drawing hard-core theater lovers from across the city.

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"Earth to Echo"
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Relativity Media

By Kam Williams

Most people know E.T. revolves around several kids who befriend an alien stranded on Earth and eager to return home before ill-intentioned adults can do him any harm. That coming-of-age classic landed four Academy Awards back in 1983, and was even voted the best sci-fi of all time in a recent survey by Rotten Tomatoes.

But if you're too young to remember Steven Spielberg's heartwarming adventure, or if it's been so long since you saw it that the storyline's a little fuzzy, have I got an homage for you.

Much about "Earth to Echo" just screams remake, starting with the picture's vaguely-familiar promotional poster which similarly features a human hand reaching out to touch an extra-terrestrial.

Still, this delightful variation on the theme endeavors to refresh the original by incorporating current cultural staples, ranging from texting shorthand to social media. So, when the protagonists here communicate with each other, they often rely on inscrutable slang apt to befuddle fuddy-duddies unfamiliar with the lexicon employed by today's average adolescent.

At this found-footage flick's point of departure, we find narrator Tuck (Astro) lamenting the impending separation from his BFFs Alex (Teo Halm) and Munch (Reese Hartwig) when their Nevada neighborhood is razed in a week to make way for a turnpike. The plot thickens after all their cell phones inexplicably



A scene from "Earth to Echo."

Photo by http://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/earth_to_echo/pictures/

"barf" simultaneously, and they decide to discern the source of the mysterious malfunction.

Equipped with a camcorder

and state-of-the-art spyglasses, the youngsters ride their bikes into the desert in the middle of the night accompanied by a cute

rebel (Ella Wahlestedt) with her own reason for running away from home. GPS sends the sleuths to a site in the desert where, lo and behold, they find Echo, a cuddly visitor from another galaxy with pressing issues akin to the aforementioned E.T.

The kids, of course, kick it into high gear on his behalf, keeping just a step ahead of the untrustworthy authorities. Their noble efforts inexorably lead to a satisfying resolution every bit as syrupy as Spielberg's.

An unapologetic retreat bordering on plagiarism that nevertheless provides the perfect, popcorn summer escape for the tyke and 'tweener demographics.

Independent & Foreign Films

By Kam Williams

America (PG-13 for violent images) Revisionist documentary co-directed by John Sullivan and Dinesh D'Souza speculating about what the country would look like if the Minutemen had lost the Revolutionary War to England.

Beyond the Edge (Unrated) Historical drama chronicling Sir Edmund Hillary (Chad Moffitt) and Tenzing Norgay's (Sonam Sherpa) historic, 1953 ascent of Mount Everest. With Daniel Musgrove, Joshua Rutter and John Wraight.

Gabrielle (R for sexuality) Romance drama about the unlikely love affair between two members (Alexandre Landry and Gabrielle Marion-Rivard) of a choir for mentally-challenged individuals. Support cast includes Benoit Guoin, Sebastien Ricard and Marie Gignac. (In French and English with subtitles)

The Girl on the Train (R for profanity and violence) Crime thriller about a documentary filmmaker (Henry Ian Cusick) whose chance encounter with a mysterious passenger (Nicki



Kam's Kapsules

By Kam Williams

Aycox) aboard a commuter train headed from Grand Central Station to upstate New York leaves him a suspect in the eyes of skeptical detective (Stephen Lang). With Charles Aitken, James Biberi and John Fugelsang.

Heatstroke (Unrated) Crime thriller about the girlfriend (Svetlana Metkina) and daughter (Maisie Williams) of a research scientist (Stephen Dorff) who are forced to survive by their wits after he is murdered in an African desert by ruthless arms dealers. Support cast includes Peter Stormare and Andrew Roux.

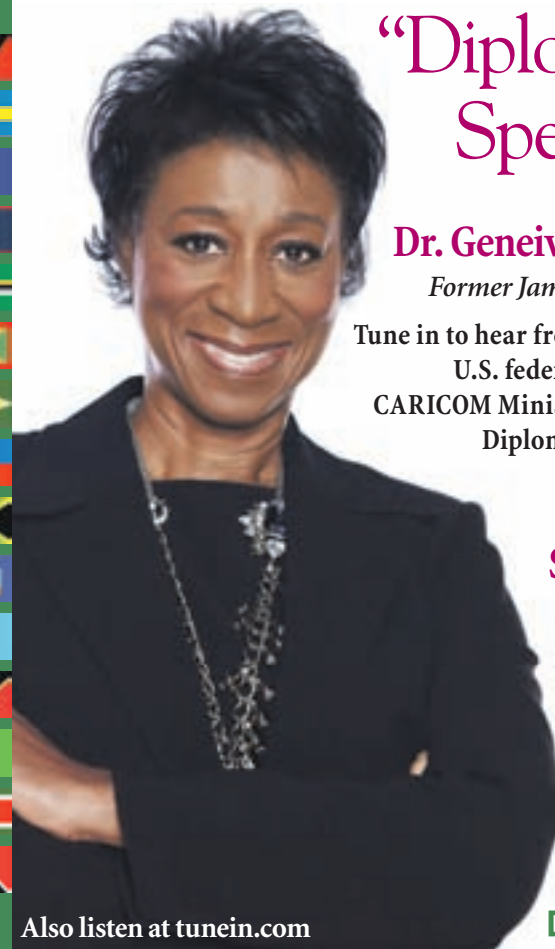
Life Itself (R for profanity, sexual images and brief nudity) Reverential tribute to legendary film critic Roger Ebert featuring commentary by his wife, Chaz, colleague A.O. Scott, and film directors Martin Scorsese, Errol Morris, Werner Herzog and Ava

DuVernay.

Marius (Unrated) Romance drama, set in Marseille, where the seafaring son (Raphael Personnaz) of a tavern owner (Daniel Auteuil) finds himself torn between the love of a woman (Victoire Belezay) and the lure of a life on the ocean. With Jean-Pierre Darroussin, Marie-Anne Chazel and Nicolas Vaude. (In French with subtitles)

Me and You (Unrated) Oscar-winner Bernardo Bertolucci (for The Last Emperor) directed this beguiling bildungsroman about the forbidden friendship secretly forged between a 14-year-old introvert (Jacopo Olmo Antinori) and the troubled, 25-year-old half-sister (Tea Falco) he shares the basement with when she comes to town in need of a place to stay. With Sonia Bergamasco, Veronica Lazar and Pippo Delbono. (In Italian with subtitles)

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Romeo and Juliet

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"We are thrilled to blow the dust off this classic to reveal an array of identities within the African Diaspora. Exploring centuries-old themes around love, identity, violence and masculinity through this culturally specific lens is an exceptional and unique offering for the theatrical community," said Jones. "I am proud that we continue to reinvent these timeless works in ways that connect with young, contemporary, multiracial consumers while satisfying the sensibilities of longtime theater patrons."

"At CTH, we believe that the best art does more than put on a great show; it starts conversations, engenders action and engages a community at all levels (from individual residents and government, to local businesses and nonprofits)," said Roberts. "We know that the positive economic impact of events like RnJ have a radiant effect on the local economy, and we're proud to have launched formal partnerships with a number of area small businesses that realize the value that CTH brings not just to their establishments, but to the quality of life of our neighborhood as a whole."

This intense and fiery production continues a movement to

reimagine classical theater. RnJ reveals the unpredictable passion of love, barely separated from the unforgiving tragedy of violence. The stage explodes with soulful music, verse and movement, as hip-hop beats and dance-hall rhythms provide the backdrop for a community suffering from internal conflict.

The young lovers, Romeo (Sheldon Best) and Juliet (Natalie Paul), lead the cast, which includes Jamie Rezanour (Nurse), Zainab Jah (Friar/Sister Laurence), Dorcas Sowunmi (Lady Capulet), Jason Delane (Lord Capulet), Jameal Ali (Paris), Emmanuel Brown (Tybalt/Apothecary), Kambi Gathesha (Benvolio), Clark Harris (Montague), Keldrick Crowder (Prince), Ty Jones (Mercutio) and Anthony Lalor (Panther 1/Brother John). Rounding out the ensemble are Levell Franklin, Amara Granderson, Patricia Janvier, Jared Lewis and Djaka Souare.

Scenic design is by Anka Lupes, choreography by Lakai Worell (artistic co-director of the Brooklyn dance company Purelements), lighting design by Paul Hudson, sound design by Eric Sluyter, costume design by Rachel Dozier-Ezell, music direction by Chen Lo (of the Brooklyn-based music



Producing Artistic Director Ty Jones.

production company Soul Science Lab) and fight choreography by Emmanuel Brown (recent Obie-Award winner for Kung-Fu).

The Richard Rodgers Amphitheater is located in Marcus Garvey Park (enter at 124th Street and Fifth Avenue and walk south to the venue). Performances are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Friday's curtain is at 8:15 p.m., following Jazzmobile free concerts at 7:00 p.m. (There will be no performance on Tuesday, July 8.) The venue opens for seating at 7:00 p.m. each night and 6:30 p.m. on Fridays. For more information,

visit: <http://www.cthnyc.org>.

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Groovin'

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ends Air Supply have scored eight Top 10 Billboard hits in the United States, including anthems such as "Making Love Out Of Nothing At All," "Good Bye," "Its Never Too Late" and "Lost In Love," which was named "Song Of The Year" in 1980. The group mesmerized music fans at the 2011 Jamaica Jazz & Blues Festival and their performance at Groovin In The Park was no different.

Marcia Griffiths, one of the original members of the legendary Bob Marley's I-threes, deservedly crowned the Empress of Reggae, celebrated her 50 years in reggae. During her set at Groovin in The Park, she performed her chart-topping success with "Electric Boogie" (a song written by Bunny Wailer) along with many of the crowd favorites including "Truly" and "Feel like jumping." Griffiths also performed alongside Judy Mowatt (original I-Threes member), veteran singer John Holt and long-time singing partner Bob Andy.

Jamar Rolando McNaughton known as "Chronnix" is hailed as



Marcia Griffiths celebrates 50 years as a reggae singer.

Jamaica's next mega star is one of the hottest new reggae artists around. Known as a conscious singer-songwriter has often been compared to Dennis Brown energy or Bob Marley vibe performed the crowd favorite "They don't know" "Here Comes Trouble" and "Smile Jamaica." After Chronnix's performance, there was a short set change and a rocking DJ set by Inferno, teased the crowd with a mix of old and new school rock-

ers music, preparing fans for something big that was about to happen. You could almost feel the change in the air. The man (Beres Hammond) that everyone had been waiting for was about to appear on stage. The anticipation of waiting for him was almost unbearable. He finally sauntered on the stage the crowd erupted in screams, yelling out his name. Beres greeted the crowd and began with a series of short song snippets. He playfully led the audience with "What One Dance Can Do" and "She Loves Me Now." In true Beres fashion, he continued to flirt and tease the crowd engaging them in a playful banter. One can tell he truly loves performing on stage and it shows in every song and in his every step, it was fun and full of energy. It was well worth waiting the blazing hot sun for a man who truly knows how to put on great performance.

Groovin' In The Park 2014 will be a day to remember. Sponsors supporting the celebration this year included Grace Kennedy, Caribbean Life, TD Bank, SQPA, Nutrament, MoneyGram, The Smoke House, The Door Restaurant, Bullzii and Groovin Radio.

Diana Ross

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trio to stand supreme as a Motown legend and super-star.

During a set that personified elegance, charm and grace, Rhonda sang from the heart. Her repertoire included her own compositions and familiar tracks such as "Killing Me softly" ending with her signature composition "It Don't Matter."

She also recited from Angelou's phenomenal poem "I Rise."

Between her own compositions she inspired the audience to "smell the roses."

"Give from your overflow not from your reserve," she urged. It was a message that resonated with mothers and fathers alike.

Fans of the Boss who had never experienced the talented baby love were ecstatic.

The eldest of five children born to Ms. Ross, Rhonda is a Harlem resident who neighbors may know as Mrs. Kendrick. She is married to jazz musician Rodney Kendrick. Born Aug. 14, 1971 in Los Angeles, California, she is mother to four-year-old Raif. And an actress as well.

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versary of BAMcinématek, which launched in 1999 with a survey of Lee's career. The writer-director-actor's consistently surprising work displays a boundless visual imagination, some of the most fearlessly intelligent discourse on race relations in American cinema, and an ability to infuse independent projects and big-budget blockbusters alike with his edgy, energetic style. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <http://www.bam.org/programs/2014/by-any-means-necessary>.

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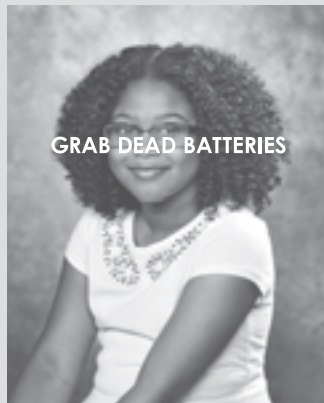




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Sparrow

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Bissessar announced plans to pay Sparrow's medical bills and recommended that he be awarded the Order of Trinidad and Tobago, the twin-island republic's highest award.

Over the years, Sparrow, considered the best-known and most successful calypsonian, has received a host of awards and citations, including the Order of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and an honorary doctorate from the University of the West Indies.

Several cities in North America have also declared "The Mighty Sparrow Day," including Winnipeg, New York, Boston and Greer, South Carolina, according to the Miami Herald.

Sparrow, who was born on July 9, 1935 in the rural fishing village of Grand Roy in Grenada, moved to Trinidad and Tobago with his mother when he was only a year old. His father had relocated there in 1937.

A calypso singer, songwriter and guitarist, WIAD-

CA said Sparrow won the Calypso King or Monarch title in Trinidad and Tobago 11 times – more than anyone else – and the Road March title eight times, also more than anyone other than the late Lord Kitchener, who was considered the grand master of composition and rhythm. Sparrow has more than 75 albums to his credit, WIADCA said.

Sparrow grew up in Port-of-Spain, the Trinidad and Tobago capital, and began singing as a small child.

But his love of calypso was discouraged while at Newton Boys Catholic School, where he sang in the choir, according to his biography.

At 14, Sparrow joined a steel band comprising neighborhood boys, and performed with the band at carnival.

He received his performing name "Little Sparrow" during his early career, because of his energetic stage performances.

Sparrow's first performance as a carnival singer came in 1954 with "The Parrot and the Monkey".

In 1955, he made his first recordings "Missing Baby (Ruby)," "High Cost of Living" and "Race Track".

In 1955 and 1956, he also recorded "Give the Youngsters a Chance," "Family Size Coke," "Goaty," "No Doctor No," "Clara Honey Bunch," "Yankee's Back Again," "Jean And Dinah," "The Queen's Canary" and "Sailor Man."

In 1956, Sparrow won Trinidad and Tobago's Carnival Road March and Calypso King titles with "Jean and Dinah," also known as "Yankees Gone," in which he celebrated the departure of U.S. troops from the island.

In more recent times, Sparrow continued to incorporate social issues into his calypsos, such as "Crown Heights Justice" in the wake of the 1991 Crown Heights Riot in Brooklyn.

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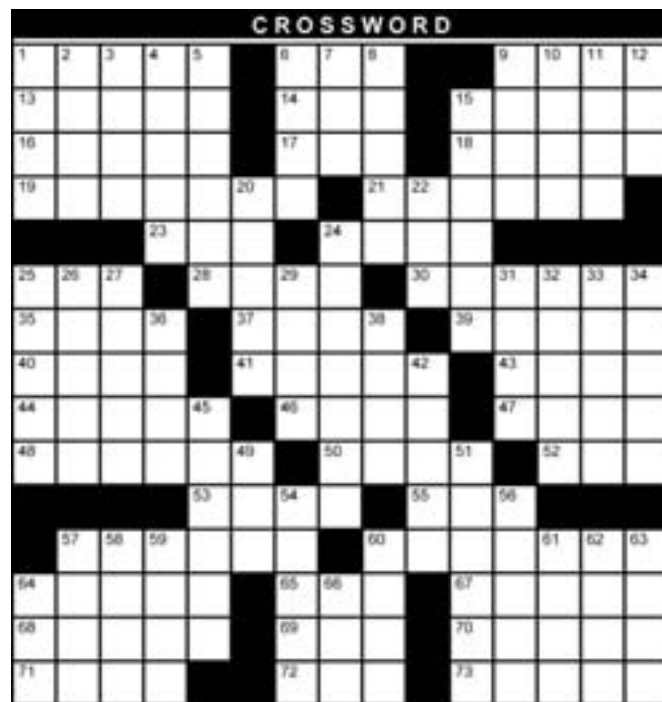
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1. *Hurricane-prone U.S. city
6. Olympic chant
9. British singer-songwriter
13. Gibson garnish
14. Hair goo
15. Subject of the musical, "Evita"
16. Declare invalid
17. Flower necklace
18. Latin American plain
19. *One killed over 200,000 people in 2004
21. Crying like a sheep
23. How many "if by sea?"
24. Chinese dynasty (1368-1644)
25. In the capacity of
28. Chesterfield, e.g.
30. Designated limit
35. "Do ___ others..."
37. Schindler kept one
39. Art class support
40. Pains
41. Torcher's misdeed
43. Japanese soup
44. Bear down under
46. Dublin land
47. 100 centavos
48. To imbue with soul
50. "_____ Las Vegas" starring Elvis

52. Bloodshot
53. Horticultural implement
55. Get it wrong
57. *Warm current
60. *Dry spell
64. "Bye" to Banderas
65. Pastrami holder
67. "Umble" Heep
68. "That is," Latin
69. Reef fish
70. Artillery burst
71. Unit of force
72. Hole puncher
73. Senior

DOWN

1. Castle feature
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3. Hokkaido native
4. *_____ St. Helens," erupted in 1980
5. They come with marriage
6. Wrinkly fruit
7. "_____ no evil..."
8. Way out
9. Kosher eatery
10. *1972 deadly blizzard killed thousands here
11. Goes with ding
12. Lennon's lady
15. *Black Death
20. Dough
22. Mandela's org.
24. Like a hippopotamus
25. *Measured by seismograph
26. Soviet entity
27. Rand McNally book
29. *It can get wild
31. Pack down
32. Basket material
33. Band on coat of arms
34. *It can happen in a flash
36. 1952 Winter Olympics host
38. Reality TV star Spelling
42. "_____ Say Never"
45. ENT, e.g.
49. Local network
51. Kindle
54. Land of "Gangnam Style"
56. Like country life
57. Whirlpool
58. Property right
59. Facial protrusion
60. "The Farmer in the _____"
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64. *This usually quickly follows disasters
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Queens 10K race draws great crowd

By Robert Elkin

About 8,000 runners turned out for the Queens 10K on a delightful morning within Flushing Meadow Corona Park. This event comprised runners from primarily the Northeast section of the nation and consisted of all ages but primarily young adults through senior citizens.

The festivities were conducted by the New York Road Runners. The overall winner turned out to be Manhattan's Brent Frissora who completed the course in a time of 32:56 under delightful weather conditions.

Originally from Jamaica, West Indies now making his residence in Elmont, Long Island, Rojan Dawes had nothing but praise for the entire event. The 47-year-old Dawes crossed the finish line in 42:20, far away

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Jamaica's Asafa Powell, competes in a men's 100-meter heat during the athletics in the Olympic Stadium at the 2012 Summer Olympics, London.

AP Photo/Anja Niedringhaus, File

Asafa Powell to run in France

PARIS (AP) — Jamaican sprinter Asafa Powell will run in France on July 5, days before his doping hearing at sport's highest court.

The organizers of the Paris Diamond League meeting confirmed his participation on Tuesday. Powell is free to compete

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United States' Julian Green, left, scores his side's first goal during the World Cup round of 16 soccer match between Belgium and the USA at the Arena Fonte Nova in Salvador, Brazil, Tuesday, July 1, 2014.

AP Photo/Matt Dunham

Costa Rica lives to play the Netherlands

By Patrick Horne

The USA bowed out of the World Cup in a 2-1 loss to Belgium in Salvador, Brazil despite a Herculean defensive effort, led by goalkeeper Tim Howard. Howard set a World Cup record of 16 saves, the most in a World Cup, but that simply

wasn't enough for the U.S. Said Howard after the game, "We just couldn't give anymore."

After a fairly even first half, Belgium took control of the game and dominated the rest of the way. U.S. defenders rose to the occasion time after time; they played

with much heart and never stopped defending, inspired by Howard's effort. In the end, it was the inexperience in a crucial moment that would be remembered for sending the U.S. home.

With a minute left in regulation time,

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United States' Julian Green, right, celebrates after scoring his side's first goal during the World Cup round of 16 soccer match between Belgium and the USA at the Arena Fonte Nova in Salvador, Brazil, Tuesday, July 1, 2014.

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U.S. stages gallant effort

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second half substitute Chris Wondolowski missed an open goal after Jermaine Jones nodded the ball down to the San Jose Earthquakes forward, six yards from the goal, who seemed rattled in front of the net. Wondolowski got the best chance of the game for either team, but it was his inexperience in such an occasion that failed the forward, who was in his first World Cup. A World Cup-experienced Eddie Johnson or Landon Donovan, most would argue, would have put smiles on many Americans faces on Tuesday. Unfortunately, USA coach Jurgen Klinsmann decided to leave the pair home.

The USA put up a gallant effort against Belgium, the entire defensive line was superb; substitute De Andre Yedlin did not skip a beat when he came on for the injured Fabian Johnson at right full back in the first half, and Da Marcus Beasley, Jeff Cameron and Omar Gonzalez put

in a memorable performance. In midfield, Jermaine Jones, Alex Bodoya and Graham Zusi were all tireless in their work rate. For the second time, it was midfielder Michael Bradley, whose loss of possession in midfield led to the U.S. defeat – led to Kevin De Bruyne's goal to put Belgium ahead. Ramelu Lukaku, who helped to create De Bruyne's goal, scored Belgium's winner. Julian Green scored for the U.S.

Belgium, who will play Argentina, was the superior team, but soccer is a game of moments and the U.S. had the best moment to win the game despite Belgium's dominance, but inexperience got the better in that crucial moment that will be talked about for years to come. What also will be unforgettable for ages is Howard's astonishing record performance in the goal.

Costa Rica advances

Costa Rica continues to amaze at the World Cup and carry the COCACAF torch at the tournament. A 10-man Costa Rican team overcame

a stressful regulation period; a heart-stopping 30-minute overtime period and a penalty kick shootout to defeat a determined Greece team, 5-3, on penalty kicks at the Arena Pernambuco in Recife, Brazil.

Michael Umana scored the winner for the Central American champion after Ticos goalkeeper Keylor Navas saved Theofanis Gekas on the fourth kick. The Ticos, also had to overcome poor refereeing by Benjamin Williams, whose calls made life extremely hard for Costa Rica.

Costa Rica will play the Netherlands in the quarterfinals on Saturday, its first appearance at this stage of a World Cup quarterfinal. Captain Bryan Ruiz put the Ticos ahead in the 66th minute and the Ticos soaked up much pressure the rest of the way, much of it caused by the sending off of Oscar Duarte in the 66th minute. The pressure eventually took its toll and Sokratis Papastathopoulos equalized with about two minutes in regulation.

Red Bulls draw

Tim Cahill brought World Cup excitement to Red Bull Arena last Friday night: three minutes into stoppage time, Cahill climbed above two Toronto FC (6-4-2, 20 pts.) defender and headed on a long pass from Matt Miazga to Bradley Wright-Phillips, registered his 12th goal of the season to help the New York Red Bulls (4-5-7, 19pts.) salvage a 2-2 draw versus the visiting Canadians. The play delighted the crowd of 20,176 spectators, who had earlier welcomed Cahill back from the World Cup in Brazil, where he represented Australia. Cahill scored one of the most talked-about goals of the tournament when he volleyed a long cross into the net in his country's 3-2 loss to the Netherlands in a group stage match.

The Red Bulls took the lead in the 36th minute from a Peguy Luyindula goal, his fourth of the season, and led at the half, but Toronto's equalizer came in the 55th minute.

Queens 10k

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from the winner's time.

"The course was good, wasn't flat, and wasn't too hilly," said Dawes, who spent 13 years in Jamaica. "And running on it was a lot of fun," he said.

While soccer is the big sport in Jamaica, West Indies, Dawes played mostly football on his own and not for a team. He recalled that he and his teammates indulged in football and they did it very well.

"We played on our own and it was a lot of fun," he said. "But the competition wasn't really there."

When he started running while in high school, it came with different clubs. The clubs competed against each other. When he came into high school in the United States he dropped the running sport for a while.

Dawes got into running more seriously about three years ago, while living in New York.

Residing in New York he had an idea of running in a marathon.

"This year I qualified for the marathon," he said. "If I could do 3:30 I'll be happy. Anything better than that time I'll be elated. I have never run a marathon before, but I have run half marathons. My best time for a half is 1:31, coming at the Brooklyn Half (last month).

"I train at different parks and on different sur-

faces. I like to train on the dirt because it's easier on the knees. And I don't like running on hard surfaces," said Dawes.

Another entrant into the 6.2-mile event was William Morris Perkins, better known as Senator Perkins of Manhattan.

Born in The Bronx, attended Collegiate School for Boys High School, where he was an athlete in the private school and graduated from Ivy League Brown University where he concentrated more on academics, Perkins certainly also enjoyed competing in the Queens 10K.

His father, William Perkins, originally came from the State of Virginia via Jamaica, West Indies. The runner covered the course in 41 minutes. Now a Senator in Manhattan, and the rest of the many runners, praised the work of the New York Road Runners and the entire staff in putting on the third race of the five-borough series.

"This is a great course to run and a great place to have (such an event)," Perkins added.

"It was great for the runners to get out and see the scenery," noted an onlooker. "This event was many years ago or at one time was a half marathon or 13.1-mile event in the streets of College Point and Malba."

Asafa Powell

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pending the outcome of his doping appeal.

A former world record-holder in the 100 meters, Powell tested positive for oxilofrine in the Jamaica trials a year ago.

Powell appealed the 18-month suspension imposed by Jamaica anti-doping authorities, asking the Court of Arbitration

for Sport to cut the sanction to three months. The CAS hearing is set for July 7-8.

Former world champion Tyson Gay is also returning from a one-year doping ban to compete in Lausanne, Switzerland, on July 3. The American sprinter will then run at the Montreuil meet on July 7.

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Blackwood, Gabriel unfairly treated

Jamaica's middle order batsman Jermaine Blackwood who played his first Test match in New Zealand and scored a stylish 63 at the Queen's Park in Trinidad was omitted from the final 11 at Kensington in Barbados for the third and final Test. Shannon Gabriel, the medium fast bowler from Trinidad & Tobago, who bowled appreciably well in the Test in Port of Spain at the Queen's Park was also omitted from the final 11 in Bridgetown, Barbados.

The West Indies won this Test match by 10 wickets in a remarkable comeback after losing the first Test in Jamaica. It was unnecessary to omit these two players. Head Coach Ottis Gibson made a major error in leaving out Blackwood and Gabriel. The West Indies team was bowled out for 317 runs in the first innings of the third Test match after New Zealand scored 293. Blackwood seems to be the type of player that fits uniquely in the middle order.

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The 11 players of a Test must be balanced with four specialist bowlers and seven specialist batsmen. With Shivnarine Chanderpaul, Blackwood, and Denesh Ramdin respectively coming in at fifth, sixth and seventh in that order should serve the team well.

SULIEMAN BENN OVER BOWLED

West Indies Test Captain Denesh Ramdin over used the left arm spinner Suliemann Benn. Regardless of how good a bowler performs in a Test, the other bowlers must each share the responsibility of easing the



Eyes on Cricket

By George H. Whyte



West Indies debutante batsman Jermaine Blackwood raises his bat after scoring 50 runs during the third day on their second cricket Test match against New Zealand in Port of Spain; Trinidad; Wednesday; June 18; 2014.

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pressure on the rest of the bowlers.

RAMDIN MUST BOOST HIS ROLE

West Indies Captain Denesh Ramdin must boost this game behind the stumps and he must improve in his field placing, particularly three slips and a gully for the fast bowlers.

It is rather surprising that Ramdin should not have the correct slip corridor in place after playing so much cricket. This flaw has occurred in every Test Ramdin has captained. It is hoped that he would take steps to avoid such a thing reoccurring. He received maximum criticism on the three-slip fielder's issue.

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Cyclones go up and down this week

Cyclones 5 Aberdeen 1

June 25 at MCU Park

Starter Octavio Acosta dominated over six innings, and the Cyclones scored two in the fifth and three in the eighth to earn the win.

Acosta gave up just one hit — a home run in the first to Alex Murphy — while striking out seven as he improved to 2-0 on the season.

In the fifth, Tomas Nido singled and later scored on a fielding error and a wild pitch scored Tucker Tharp.

In the eighth, Michael Katz broke his 0-22 funk with a single up the middle that scored Joe Tuschak and Amed Rosario. Katz scored as the final run of the game when Tyler Moore hit his first triple of the year.

Edioglis Villasmil threw two innings of one-hit ball, and Shane Bay pitched a perfect ninth.

Cyclones 6 Aberdeen 2

June 26 at MCU Park

The Cyclones took advantage of five IronBirds

errors on Thursday night, scoring three unearned runs and three earned.

The Clones struck early, scoring one run in the first but the lead did not last long. Aberdeen's Hector Veloz took starting pitcher Casey Meisner for a ride with a bomb to left field in the second.

Meisner gave up another home run in the sixth to Jamill Moquete, but that was it. He pitched six complete innings, gave up only two runs on five hits, and struck out seven. Mike Hepple pitched two perfect innings of relief, and Brad Wieck came in to close out the ninth.

The Cyclones got their offense going in the seventh with a leadoff double by Tucker Tharp, who moved over to third when Amed Rosario reached base on a throwing error, and crossed the plate on a ground out by Jhoan Urena. Michael Katz reached base on a fielder's choice with Rosario getting thrown out at home.

After a hit batter, Tomas Nido singled on a ground ball up the middle, scor-

ing Katz. Then Jeff Diehl reached base on yet another Ironbird throwing error, which scored Nido.

The Cyclones scored once more in the eighth.

Cyclones 2 Staten Island 1

June 27 at MCU Park

Marcos Molina pitched a gem last night, throwing a career high of eight strikeouts against the hated Staten Island Yankees.

Molina tossed six complete innings, gave up only two hits, and walked only one batter. His eight strikeouts also make the team's high for the season.

It was seven innings of no-run ball until the bottom of the ninth, when Yankees pitching fell apart, allowing the Cyclones to score two runs without a hit. Michael Katz, Tyler Moore, and Joe Tuschak all walked in the inning.

Staten Island 11 Cyclones 5

June 28 in Staten Island

Two big innings for the

hated Staten Island Yankees led to a Cyclones defeat.

Joe Tuschak started the night off early with a single in the leadoff spot and scored on a fielding error, which would be the only Cyclone run until the top of the fifth inning.

The Yankees came up big in the first, scoring five runs off of Carlos Valdez, who pitched two-thirds of an inning, giving up three hits and walking two with no strikeouts. One of the hits was a two-run homer to Chris Breen.

The Yankees batted big again in the third against Gaither Bumgardner, scoring four times on four hits, including a Bubba Jones homer.

Bumgardner stayed in the game, finishing the day after four innings giving up six hits, five runs, and two walks, and striking out one.

The Cyclones mounted a comeback attempt in the seventh, with Michael Bernall hitting his second homer



GEE WHIZ: Mets pitcher Dillon Gee worked to re-hone his big-league pitch at the Clones' Sunday game.

Associated Press / Evan Vucci

of the season, a three-run bomb to score Michael Katz and Jhoan Urena. But it just was not enough.

Staten Island 5 Cyclones 4

June 29 at MCU Park

Mets pitcher Dillon Gee started Sunday night's game to continue working his way back from the disabled list, but the big-league firepower was not enough to stave off a second straight loss to the hated Staten Island Yankees.

Gee pitched two and

two-thirds innings, giving up a run in the first, but regaining his confidence as he pitched through the second and most of the third. He ended his second rehab assignment striking out six and giving up four hits, without walking a batter. Gee is expected to make another rehab start on July 4.

The game stayed quiet on both sides until the sixth inning, when the Yanks played small ball to score four runs against Corey Oswalt.

The Clones also had a solid sixth inning. Brooklyn's home team almost made a comeback when Anthony Chavez was hit by a pitch to start off the inning, then a series of singles by Joe Tuschak and Tomas Nido loaded the bases, and a missed catch scored Chavez as Jhoan Urena took first base.

More small ball helped the Clones score three more goals, but they wouldn't be enough to turn the match around.

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ARIES: Mar 21/Apr 20
Be honest with yourself, Aries. Sometimes change can be a good thing, so take a few days to sort through all of your options. You will be glad you did.

TAURUS: Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, you may have to be clever to solve a particular problem this week. It will be challenging, but you are up to the task and your efforts will be their own reward.

GEMINI: May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, spend some time thinking about what you want rather than what others want for you. You may discover significant differences between the two, but do what makes you happy.

CANCER: Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, it may take some time to get back on your feet after a stumble, but you will get there much faster if you ask a few friends for support. You know the people who have your back.

LEO: Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, very little can disappoint you or affect your mood. Enjoy the responsibility-free week with a free spirit. This is a great time for a vacation.

VIRGO: Aug 24/Sept 22
Think through all of your options before you act, Virgo. While something may seem like a good idea at first, careful thought may reveal some bumps in the road.

LIBRA: Sept 23/Oct 23
Work hard to earn a promotion at work, Libra. While you may need to take on more responsibility and work longer hours, the payoff will be well worth it.

SCORPIO: Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, if you feel you are at a crossroads, take your time to make the most possible decision. This is a significant moment for you, and it requires focus and forethought.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, supporting a family member who deserves it has you riding high this week. This support may be emotional in nature or even financial support if you can manage.

CAPRICORN: Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, family activities are getting in the way of business prospects, and vice versa. You may need to make a difficult decision in the near future.

AQUARIUS: Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, think through the pros and cons of speaking your mind at work. Your opinions are valid, but you run the risk of alienating certain people, and that should not be taken lightly.

PISCES: Feb 19/Mar 20
Approach a problem that's been puzzling you from a different perspective, Pisces. This new way of looking at things makes all the difference.

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