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A Haitian woman hands passports to a Royal Canadian Mounted Police officer, who talks with her husband, after illegally crossing from Champlain, N.Y., to Saint-Bernard-de-Lacolle, Quebec, Monday, Aug. 7, 2017. Associated Press / Charles Krupa

## Haitians risk arrest in Canada for a better life

By Nelson A. King

While United States President Donald J. Trump is clamping down on illegal immigration, thousands of Haitians with Temporary Protected Status (TPS) in the United States are rushing to the border crossing in Champlain, upstate New York, willing to face arrest in their pursuit of a better life, according to reports here.

The popular stop near the border station at Lacolle, Quebec, Canada is quickly becoming

a path to a new life for immigrants — and something of a tourist attraction, reported the Miami Herald.

It said the migrant surge has overwhelmed Canadian officials who, after opening Olympic Stadium in Montreal to asylum seekers, recently reopened a shuttered hospital to accommodate the growing numbers, and deployed the military to construct a tent city near the official border crossing at St. Bernard-de-Lacolle.

The refugees have decided that getting arrested with an uncertain future in Canada is better than risking deportation under Trump, the Herald said.

Responding to the influx of refugees in his province, Quebec's Prime Minister Philippe Couillard told the Canadian press that "it's unfortunate" that asylum seekers have been led to believe that being admitted into Canada was "a done deal."

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# EYES ON CHINESE BUSINESS

## Opposition upset at Chinese colonialism in Jamaica

By Bert Wilkinson

A Jamaican opposition legislator this week shone light on an issue many in the Caribbean often think about regarding the presence of super rich Chinese investors, some backed by their government back in Beijing, others flush with cash from the private sector, albeit of sometimes dubious origin.

Until the People's National Party (PNP) lost power to the Jamaican Labor Party (JLP) 18 months ago, Peter Bunting had functioned as the island's national security minister but in recent weeks he appears to have switched his role to that of a bell ringer about growing presence of Chinese companies in Jamaica and CARICOM. He hopes people would sit up and take note.

As far as he is concerned, governments like those in Jamaica are often too quick to hand tax and other concession to large and small Chinese firms, allowing them to compete in areas and sectors previously dominated by local firms. His argument that once these firms are lavished with


concessions, they immediately hold an advantage over local firms as the playing field is no longer level.

"They come into Jamaica, typically on the basis of concessionary financing for a government project and they get all sorts of duty free concessions and imported machinery and equipment and they get to buy local building inputs free of taxes," he argued. They then use these concessions and machinery and equipment to compete for private sector projects so they have an advantage over local contractors," he said, echoing years of points made by local firms.

In fact he argues, that just over 50 percent of Jamaica's booming construction sector has already been taken over by Chinese firms with their duty free import concessions for machinery and other equipment.

But once Bunting's rantings were aired on social media and had received thousands of likes and supportive comments, both the Chinese government

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# Caribbean pols condemn violence in Charlottesville



Dorothy Lee of the Canarsie Improvement Association, with a sign, (inset picture with Rep. Hakeem Jeffries) outside of the Rockaway Parkway Subway Station in Canarsie, collecting signatures to petition for a ferry service from the Canarsie Pier to Manhattan.

Photo by Tangerine Clarke

## Canarsie association advocates for ferry service

By Tangerine Clarke

Lone advocate, Dorothy Lee, a Canarsie resident stood outside of the Rockaway Parkway Subway Station in Brooklyn, last Friday, Aug. 11, calling out to commuters to add their signatures to a petition, demanding City Council start a ferry service from the Canarsie Pier, with stops at Coney Island before docking passengers at Wall Street in Manhattan.

Lee, who moved to Canarsie four years ago, said she had already garnered upwards of 3000 signatures and is confident that the Canarsie Improvement Association, of which she is a member, would secure 5000 signatures to have the measure passed for ferry service from the Canarsie pier.

Canarsie, which has a large concentration of Caribbean nationals, and is represented by Guyanese-born Sen. Roxanne Persaud in the 19th Senatorial District, needs an alternative mode of transportation said Lee, who noted that several elected officials and residents came out with their banners at a recent night-out meeting in the community, touting the ferry service.

"It is a joint effort of residents and elected officials who are seeking alternative service — bus, train and ferry, to Manhattan," said Lee, one of seven residents who started a Kennel Club, after waking their dogs in the park, and wanted to do more to improve the community, hence the Canarsie Improvement Association.

She said the group is doing an



Rescue personnel help an injured woman after a car ran into a large group of protesters after a white nationalist rally in Charlottesville, Va., Saturday, Aug. 12, 2017.

Associated Press / Steve Helber

By Nelson A. King

Caribbean American legislators in Brooklyn on Sunday vehemently denounced the hate and violence that engulfed the City of Charlottesville, Va. the day before when white nationalists and counter-protesters clashed in what has been described as one of the bloodiest fights to date over the removal of Confederate monuments across the Southern United States.

Elaborating on a series of tweets that she made on Saturday, in the wake of the violence, US Congresswoman Yvette D. Clarke, the daughter of Jamaican immigrants, told the Caribbean Life late Sunday that she could not fathom "in the 17th year of the 21st Century to watch hatred and violence unleashed on peaceful protestors in a peaceful American city."

She said the hatred and violence ranked "among the lowest of the lows of Donald Trump's presidency.

"Americans who were doing nothing more than exercising their right to assemble against the hatred represented by the statue of Robert E. Lee in the city's Emancipation Park was nothing short of an atrocity, and Donald Trump owns it," said the Democratic Representative for the predominantly Caribbean 9th Congressional District in Brooklyn.

"What occurred in Charlottesville, Virginia, was an act of domestic terrorism committed by white supremacists whose despicable beliefs represent

the worst of American history," Clarke added. "These individuals share a fundamental commitment to the violent destruction of all of the gains we as a nation have made in the struggle for human rights and dignity."

From the Civil War to Jim Crow to the Civil Rights movement, she said "these hateful white supremacists have been focused on recruiting and indoctrinating white men who will focus their efforts on reversing the results of the Civil War, undermining the human and civil rights of African Americans, and other racial and religious minorities - indeed, all non-white Americans.

"Their protest was an attempt to defend statues honoring the shameful legacy of Robert E. Lee, who waged war on the United States to protect the evil institution of slavery," she said. "I will continue my fight to remove the name of this Confederate general, as well as that of Stonewall Jackson from the streets of Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, and eliminate this insult to the descendants of women and men who were held in bondage."

Clarke said she was bewildered when Trump initially blamed the violence Saturday on "both sides."

"Really?" she asked rhetorically. "At best, this was him being totally detached from reality and an honest misunderstanding of the real situation, or, at worst, a demonstration of solidarity with the white supremacists who marched in his name.

"We have witnessed him advocating violence at his campaign rallies and have difficulty denouncing the endorsement of David Duke [a former imperial wizard of the white supremacist group, the Ku Klux Klan]," she said. "We have even most recently heard him advocate for police brutality right here in the state of New York.

"As we mourn the people who were killed and injured yesterday [Saturday] in Charlottesville, Virginia, we must stand shoulder-to-shoulder in opposition to hatred," Clarke urged. "Notwithstanding Donald Trump and his White House cohorts, this white supremacist mentality cannot and will not stand."

Speaking Saturday afternoon at the beginning of a veterans' event at his golf club in Bedminster, NJ, Trump condemned the bloody protests, blaming the "hatred, bigotry and violence on many sides."

That prompted Clarke to retweet: "Terrible. That man represents the worst of America.

"Your false equivalency, dog whistles are sad," she said, referring to Trump. "White supremacy is to blame."

New York State Assemblywoman Diana C. Richardson, the daughter of St. Martin and Aruban immigrants, told Caribbean Life that the "unsavory turn of events in Virginia unveiled a heightened time of racial and religious discrimination in the country," expressing "deep dismay" over Saturday's hatred and violence.

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### Antigua

Regional airline LIAT has got its first woman chief executive officer (CEO). Julie Reifer-Jones, had been acting in the position after David Evans resigned last year.

Chairman of the Board of LIAT, Jean Holder said the Barbadian is undertaking "one of the most challenging assignments in the region" but said she had acquired the necessary skills throughout her time in the airline.

He said Reifer-Jones had served LIAT in the number two position for some nine years and in that capacity acted as CEO for extended periods on several occasions.

Reifer-Jones, who joined the LIAT team in 2008 as chief financial officer, said she was delighted to be taking up this new challenge and looked forward to delivering an improved level of service from LIAT to the region.

Prior to joining LIAT, Reifer-Jones held several senior finance positions and has more than 25 years of experience in finance and management.



### Bahamas

United States authorities have warned Americans traveling to The Bahamas to be on their guard and avoid certain areas.

In its Bureau of Diplomatic Security's Bahamas 2017 Crime and Safety report, United States officials classified New Providence, the country's most populous island as a "critical" threat location for crime targeting US government interests.

The report claim that despite a 26 percent drop in serious crimes in 2016, New Providence has witnessed violent crimes in locations more commonly frequented by US tourists.

Grand Bahama also received a poor report with United States authorities claiming that violent crime there had increased and gangs were on the rise.

The report also noted that home invasions, thefts, and robberies are not contained to a specific part of Grand Bahama.

It claimed the United States Embassy has received, "reports of assaults, including sexual assaults, at residences, hotel room, casinos, outside hotels and on cruise ships. In some sexual assault incidents, the report said the victim reportedly had been drugged."

Americans have been urged to avoid these areas, especially at nights.

### Cayman Islands

Speaker of the Cayman Islands Legislative Assembly had a misdemeanor



## Dominica on path to prosperity

Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit of Dominica addresses the 59th session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Associated Press / Richard Drew, File

charge dropped against him in which it was alleged that he groped a waitress in a Florida casino last month.

McKeeva Bush, who was on a vacation, was arrested after the woman claimed that the veteran politician had touched her inappropriately while she was serving at the casino in Coconut Creek, Broward County.

Although the Seminole Police Department said at the time that the woman had made a sworn affidavit and CCTV footage had been recovered, officials there have now confirmed that no charges will be filed.

He was placed on \$1,000 cash bond and released from jail after he filed a not guilty plea. Soon afterwards he returned to the Cayman Islands.

The Florida State Attorney's Office said a full explanation would be released soon.

### Dominica

Dominica is on a path of prosperity based on the performance of the economy.

This was revealed by Prime Minister Roosevelt Skerrit who made the announcement when he presented a budget of EC\$918,255,356 in parliament recently.

He said this was against the backdrop of the island being on a path of growth

in 2016, despite setbacks in 2015 due to the passage of Tropical Storm Erika.

In his budget speech themed "Realizing a modern prosperous Dominica" Skerrit said the economy recorded growth of 2.8 percent.

The prime minister said the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank (ECCB) says the Dominica economy is expected to grow by 3.1 percent in 2017 and 2018.

Skerrit said total expenditure is projected at EC\$786,462d, 296 and recurrent expenditure inclusive of debt service at EC\$580,482,418.

He noted that consistent with the anticipated growth in the economy, tax revenue for the fiscal year is projected at \$365.5 million.

Skerrit said non-tax revenues of \$421 million are anticipated — a significant part will come from the Citizenship by Investment Program which is expected to contribute \$399.99 million for the year.

### Jamaica

The Jamaica Ministry of Health is hiring an additional 500 public health aides this year as part of its Zika virus response program aimed at getting rid of mosquito breeding sites in various communities.

Minister of Health Dr. Christopher Tufton said the aides would assist public health workers in the field in iden-

tifying vector breeding sites, as well as impressing upon residents the importance of keeping their surroundings clean.

He said 1,000 vector control aides have already been trained by the Human Employment and Resource Training / Trust / National Training Agency.

The health minister noted the key part of the work of the public health aides is to talk to people to help them understand the importance of good public health and how that is influenced by good healthy practices in their local environment.

Executive Director of the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) Dr. James Hospadeles warned last month that although the number of Zika cases has significantly declined from the outbreak in 2016, there is still need for continued vigilance and action on mosquito diseases.

### St. Kitts

St. Kitts and Nevis is expected to become the first country in the Organization of the Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) and the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), to bring an end to mother to child transmission of HIV.

The statement was made by Prime Minister Dr. Timothy Harris during a press conference who said, "this is the

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# Funds for infrastructural development in Belize

By **Nelson A. King**

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) says it is providing a total US\$800,000 through technical cooperation grants of US\$400,000 each for the Strategic Program for Infrastructure Development and the Strategic Program for Integration Development for Mesoamerican Project member nations, including Belize.

The Washington, D.C.-based IDB said on Wednesday that other beneficiaries are Mexico, Belize, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama and the Dominican Republic.

“The operation’s goal is to contribute to the Mesoamerican region’s logistics development through studies and action plans,” the IDB said.

It said the project is aimed at generating regional transportation and logistics strategies; promoting regional investment plans; supporting the transformation of the Pacific Corridor (part of the Inter-American Network of Mesoamerican Roads running from Puebla, Mexico, to Panama City); and fostering the implementation of National Logistics Plans.

The IDB said assistance to the regional strategies will focus on three areas: intermodal transport, cargo logistics and

urban mobility.

The Pacific Corridor component will fund an operational study and investment plans to identify and prioritize high-impact transport and logistics projects in the corridor countries, with special emphasis on the Northern Triangle nations — Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador, the IDB said.

It said support for the implementation of national logistics plans will benefit those countries, plus Nicaragua and the Dominican Republic.

Referring to the need to kickstart transportation projects that facilitate intraregional trade, the IDB’s Manager of the Central America, Mexico, Panama, Haiti and the Dominican Republic Country Department, Gina Montiel, said: “Maximizing logistics performance and infrastructure investments in the region is still a key pending subject on the road to buttress Mesoamerica’s and Central America’s competitiveness.

“This support is aimed at offering planning and prioritization instruments for strategic transport and logistics infrastructure in order to boost up connectivity and improve logistics performance and border management in the region,” she said.

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# Opposition wants level playing field



Jamaican Prime Minister Andrew Holness. Jamaica Information Service / Yhomo Hutchinson

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and Prime Minister Andrew Holness were forced to respond formally.

The Chinese Embassy complained in a statement that Bunting's remarks could put Chinese nationals at risk and expose them to racial profiling.

"We believe these claims could encourage a backlash and create an unsafe environment for Chinese nationals working in Jamaica," the mission said, contending that "concessions offered by the Jamaican government are not limited to Chinese companies but are made available to other foreign investors. Our aim is not to colonize Jamaica but to always find areas of cooperation and mutual benefit that will improve the lives of both our people," the mission said.

For his part, PM Holness said authorities are sensitive about the growing debate about the Chinese presence in Jamaica and would act responsibly. He gave no details, but appeared to acknowledge the deep and growing concern about an unlevel playing field.

"The government is very sensitive to what has been happening. I want to reassure the people of Jamaica that the government of Jamaica will always act in

the best interest of the people of Jamaica," pointing to the fact that relations go back to 1972.

"We have to be receptive to investments not just from China. Jamaica wants to see a diversified portfolio of investors coming into this country. We want investors from all over to come here and invest. We want people to choose Jamaica to invest. We want people to choose to make their homes in Jamaica, and so the government of Jamaica has, not just with my government, but with the previous government and the government that I was a part of before that, developed a strategic relationship and partnership with the government of China."

# Haitians seek refuge in Canada

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He and other officials stressed that, despite the warm reception and treatment refugees have received, there is an immigration process, adding that arriving migrants will have to demonstrate why they should not be returned to their home countries, according to the Herald.

"We have the notion here people are being told, 'Go to Canada, it's welcoming. Just walk right in, the streets are paved gold and get a job,'" said Paul Clarke, the executive director of Action Réfugiés Montréal, which works with refugees seeking asylum in Canada.

"But it's not like that," he added. "People have to make a refugee claim. They have to state why they are being persecuted or fear persecution in their home country for their race, religion."

"The statistics in Canada for the last couple of years show that only 50 percent of Haitians meet that test," Clarke continued. "Only 50 percent are accepted as refugees in Canada. But we kind of get the sense that's not what's being told in the States."

While the wave of Haitians crossing into Canada has been fueled by fears that the United States will send them back to Haiti early next year, when Haiti's TPS is set to end, the community has been bombarded with misleading and false messages on WhatsApp, social media and Creole-language radio

saying that Canada is offering free residency, the Herald said.

The paper said that, in one message, a man claiming to be an attorney says the Canadian Consul in the United States is inviting "and even encourages all Haitians with or without TPS to apply for Canadian residency."

More than 6,500 asylum-seekers have crossed into Quebec province since the beginning of the year, and most estimates say about half are Haitians, according to the Herald.

"Right now, the question is how can the governments, the municipal, the provincial government of Quebec and federal in Ottawa manage this?" said Donald Cuccioletta, a historian and senior research associate at the Université du Québec à Montréal's Raoul Dandurand Center for Strategic and Diplomatic Studies. "It's approaching a crisis. How do we handle these people once they come across?"

The steady stream of Haitian migrants began in May when the Trump administration announced it was granting Haitians living in the United States only six months extension on their TPS — awarded after the 2010 earthquake that devastated Haiti — which would mean the status would end in January, the Herald said.

In July, when the 180-day countdown for January began, the flow of people picked up again, it said.

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# Stand up and condemn racism and discrimination in America!

By Albert Baldeo

*"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."*

*Ephesians 4:32*

*"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."*

*Martin Luther King, Jr.*

*"We all should rise, above the clouds of ignorance, narrowness, and selfishness."*

*Booker T. Washington*

We stand in solidarity with the victims of the recent tragedy in Virginia, and all right-thinking Americans who have condemned it. Whenever, and wherever hate and bigotry rear their ugly heads, we have a basic obligation to unite as communities and organize against the perpetrators. We cannot allow neo-Nazis, white supremacists and their allies, or any hate mongering group whatsoever to bully, harass, and intimidate us into thinking that their putrid racial, religious, and ethnic intolerance are legitimate.

All of us have the responsibility to stand up against intolerance and extremism. The violence fueled by white supremacists in Charlottesville this past weekend underscores why we

must continue the struggle for social, economic and political justice.

Our sympathies go out to the family of those who died and those who are recovering from injury. The recent violence against those who uphold the values of our democracy grounded in racial equality and first amendment rights is a tragic reminder of how silence can be deafening. It is domestic terrorism at its worst, and eviscerates the fundamental jurisprudential and theological concepts that all of God's children are created equal!

We must all stand against this evil and hatred as soon as it occurs, and nip it in the bud. It is regrettable that our President and leaders did not act immediately as it occurred, and emphasize that they will not tolerate it. Indeed, the words, actions and silence of our leaders can fuel racial hatred at crucial times.

Consequently, we demand that our President and all other leaders and representatives at all levels of government, swiftly, definitively and unequivocally reject white racial superiority, and/or any other kind of racial animosity, for silence conveys acquiescence. Bigots

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# Donald Trump, Kim Jong-Un need to find a diplomatic off-ramp

By Daryl G. Kimball

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WASHINGTON DC, Aug 9 2017 (IPS) - Just six months into the administration of President Donald Trump, the war of words and nuclear threats between the United States and North Korea have escalated, and a peaceful resolution to the escalating crisis is more difficult than ever to achieve.

Both leaders need to immediately work to deescalate the situation and direct their diplomats to engage in an adult conversation designed to resolve tensions

On Jan. 1, North Korea's authoritarian ruler Kim Jong Un vowed to "continue to build up" his country's nuclear forces "as long as the United States and its vassal forces keep on [sic] nuclear threat and blackmail." Kim also warned that North Korea was making preparations to flight-test a prototype intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM). Two days later, Trump could not resist laying down a "red line" on Twitter, saying, "It won't happen."

Pyeongyang has responded to the U.S. statements and military exercises on North Korea's doorstep with its own, even more bellicose rhetoric. Following press reports that a U.S. carrier strike group was being sent toward the Korean peninsula, North Korea's deputy ambassador to the United Nations warned April

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17 that "a thermonuclear war may break out at any moment" and that his country is "ready to react to any mode of war desired by the United States."

After an inter-agency review, Trump and his team announced a policy of "maximum pressure and engagement" to try to get North Korea to abandon its nuclear ambitions and its ballistic missile program. So far, the approach has been all "pressure" and no "engagement," with U.S. officials calling for North Korea to agree to take concrete steps to show its commitment to the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula.

In response, North Korea has accelerated its pace of ballistic missile tests, including flight tests of missiles in July with ICBM capabilities. The UN Security Council unanimously adopted Aug. 5 the toughest UN Security Council sanctions yet imposed on North Korea. The Korean Central News Agency lashed out Aug. 8, warning that it will

mobilize all its resources to take "physical action" in retaliation in response to the UN actions.

Trump, in turn, said Tuesday "North Korea best not make any more threats to the United States. They will be met with fire and fury like the world has never seen."

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Trump's latest statement is a blatant threat of nuclear force that will not compel Kim to shift course. In fact, repeated threats of U.S. military force only give credibility to the North Korean propaganda line that nuclear weapons are necessary to deter U.S. aggression, and it may lead Kim to try to accelerate his nuclear program.

That should not come as a surprise. Since the beginning of the nuclear age, U.S. "atomic diplomacy" has consistently failed to achieve results. The historical record shows that U.S. nuclear threats during the Korean War and later against China and the Soviet Union, as well as Nixon's "madman" strategy against North Vietnam, failed to bend adversaries to U.S. goals.

With respect to North Korea in particular, the threat of pre-emptive U.S. military action is not cred-

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# Garvey's 130th b-day marks 'One Aim One Destiny...' philosophy

Organizers of the West Indian American Day Carnival Association announced that on Aug. 17 they plan to launch the 50th anniversary of Caribbean Carnival Week by making three big announcements.

The date coincides with the 130th anniversary of the birth of Marcus Mosiah Garvey — Jamaica's first national hero — who proposed a mantra of three-fold oneness when he decided his motto to be — “One God, One Aim, One Destiny.”

Slated for Brooklyn Children's Museum, the event will promote seven days of celebration from Aug. 31 to Sept. 4 when a grand culmination annually rallies colorful display and assembly along Brooklyn's Eastern Parkway for a Labor Day Parade.

At press time the details of the triple treat were still a mystery however, a source hinted that the announcement would be significant and emphasized “it will be big.”

Two days later on Aug. 19 the nationalist also known as the Black Moses will be regaled by the Jamaica Progressive League in the Bronx from 11 am during



## Inside Life

By Vinette K. Pryce

a free, fun-filled celebration.

According to a release from the JPP, Garvey's life-long contribution to his people will be amplified and celebrated by the theme and reminder he uttered more than a century ago when he said “Look for me in the whirlwind.”

“In death I shall be a terror to the foes of Negro liberty. Look for me in the whirlwind or the song of the storm; look for me all around you,” Marcus M. Garvey said.

The nostalgic reference will mark the presence of the prophetic Pan-African advocate at Marcus Garvey Square (Williams Bridge) White Plains Road between East 212 St. & Magenta St. For more information, call 718-994-5496.

Marcus Mosiah Garvey was born Aug. 17, 1887 in Jamaica.

He was a publisher, journalist, entrepreneur, crusader for Black nationalism and founder

of the Universal Negro Improvement Association.

According to Worldisafrika.wordpress.com, Garvey is best remembered as a champion of the “Back-To-Africa” movement, which was interpreted as encouraging people of African ancestry to return to their ancestral homeland.

It is that movement that is also credited with mobilizing a segment of the Jamaican population to unite as Rastafarians.

Garvey said he wanted those of African ancestry to “redeem” Africa and for the European colonial powers to leave it.

Although Garvey was raised Methodist, he converted to worship as a Roman Catholic.

For him, Africa was the ancestral home and spiritual base for all people of African descent.

His political goal was to reclaim Africa back from European domination and build a



In this Aug. 1922 file photo, Marcus Garvey is shown in a military uniform as the “Provisional President of Africa” during a parade on the opening day of the annual Convention of the Negro Peoples of the World at Lenox Avenue in Harlem, New York City.

Associated Press / File

free and United Black Africa.

In addition to advocating for a Back-to-Africa Movement he organized a shipping company called the Black Star Line which was part of his program

to conduct international trade between Africans and the rest of the world in order to “uplift the race” and eventually return to Africa.

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outreach in churches, malls, and public places to campaign for the ferry service.

She added that the residents have been very receptive and excited about the ferry service, and have been lining up to add their signatures, and to also share suggestions to revitalize the Canarsie pier, with the return of a once popular restaurant.

"The ferry service would benefit the Canarsie neighborhood, drive up property value and help the business community thrive," said Lee.

Rep. of the Eighth Congressional District of New York, Hakeem Jeffries said, "the launched water-borne transit option celebrated its one-millionth rider last month, but several outer-borough transit-starved neighborhoods have been left in its wake, and it's high time they get the same opportunities, of both Canarsie and Coney Island."

Mayor Bill de Blasio last September, promised Canarsie residents that a ferry to their neighborhood was "on the table," however, the mayor went ahead and launched other ferry services from various ports leaving Canarsie behind.

This, according to reports, caused citizens to begin petitions demanding service from both Canarsie and Coney Island.

## Avoiding a catastrophic war on the Korean peninsula

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ible, in large part because the risks are extremely high.

North Korea has the capacity to devastate the metropolis of Seoul, with its 10 million inhabitants, by launching a massive artillery barrage and hundreds of conventionally armed, short-range ballistic missiles. Moreover, if hostilities begin, there is the prospect that North Korea could use some of its remaining nuclear weapons, which could kill millions in South Korea and Japan.

U.S. intelligence sources believe North Korea has already developed a warhead design small enough and light enough for delivery by an ICBM. North Korea's may have a supply of fissile material for up to 25 nuclear weapons, but its fissile production capacity is likely growing and it may be ready to conduct its sixth nuclear test explosion, which would further advance ability to develop a reliable missile-deliverable warhead.

Trump and his advisers need to curb the impulse to threaten military action, which only increases the risk of

catastrophic miscalculation. A saner and more effective approach is to work with China to tighten the sanctions pressure and simultaneously open a new diplomatic channel designed to defuse tensions and to halt and eventually reverse North Korea's increasingly dangerous nuclear and missile programs.

Better enforcement of UN sanctions designed to hinder North Korea's weapons procurement, financing, and key sources of foreign trade and revenue is very important. Such measures can help increase the leverage necessary for a diplomatic solution. But it is naive that sanctions pressure and bellicose U.S. threats of nuclear attack can force North Korea to change course.

Unless there is a diplomatic strategy to reduce tensions and to halt further nuclear and long-range ballistic missile tests in exchange for measures that ease North Korea's fear of military attack, Pyongyang's nuclear strike capabilities will increase, with a longer range and less vulnerable to attack, and the risk of a catastrophic war on the Korean peninsula will likely grow.

## Condemn hate, bigotry in the United States

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seize upon this and create unnecessary xenophobic and other prejudices. It is most anti-American.

Right here in our backyard, and in neighboring places like Long Island, ramped-up immigration enforcement targeting immigrants and people of color and increased KKK recruitment are devastating the social relationships among demographically different communities.

Together, we must also unite and condemn this type of bigotry and hate at all levels, including the courts, in order to keep America safe from the forces of hate and evil. Democracy is not a spectator sport! AG Jeff Sessions was right when he said, "The violence and deaths in Charlottesville strike at the heart of American law and justice. When such actions arise from racial bigotry and hatred, they betray our core values and cannot be tolerated. Justice will prevail." He must bring the miscreant bigots to justice swiftly.



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## Using mobile phones

Leading the list of the top distractions behind the wheel are mobile phones. Phones now do more than just place calls, and drivers often cannot pull away from their phones, even when driving. According to the California Department of Motor Vehicles, studies have shown that driving performance is lowered and the level of distraction is higher for drivers who are heavily engaged in cell

phone conversations. The use of a hands-free device does not lower distraction levels. The percentage of vehicle crashes and near-crashes attributed to dialing is nearly identical to the number associated with talking or listening.

## Daydreaming

Many people will admit to daydreaming behind the wheel or looking at a person or object outside of the car for too long. Per-

haps they're checking out a house in a new neighborhood or thought they saw someone they knew on the street corner. It can be easy to veer into the direction your eyes are focused, causing an accident. In addition to trying to stay focused on the road, some drivers prefer the help of lane departure warning systems.

## Eating

Those who haven't quite mastered walking and

chewing gum at the same time may want to avoid eating while driving. The majority of foods require a person's hands to be taken off of the wheel and their eyes to be diverted from the road. Reaching in the back seat to share some French fries with the kids is also distracting.

Try to eat meals before getting in the car. For those who must snack while en route, take a moment to pull over at

a rest area and spend 10 minutes snacking there before resuming the trip.

## Reading

Glancing at an advertisement, updating a Facebook status or reading a book are all activities that should be avoided when driving. Even pouring over a traffic map or consulting the digital display of a GPS system can be distracting.

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# Street renamed to honor slain Guyanese born detective

By Tangerine Clarke

Briar Place in Far Rockaway, Queens, is now Detective Randolph Holder Way, after an Aug. 4 ceremony paid tribute to the fallen Guyanese-born NYPD detective who was gunned down in the line of duty in Harlem, New York two years ago.

The parents of Detective Holder gathered at the Far Rockaway corner with Mayor Bill de Blasio, NYPD Commissioner James O'Neill, elected officials and scores of NYPD officers to witness the unveiling of the New York City Council street naming, that honored the outstanding work of the late cop. Holder was 33 years old when he was slain.

Mayor de Blasio praised parents, Princess and Randolph Holder Sr. for the disciplined way in which they raised the younger Holder.

The mayor said Holder Jr. was deeply proud to be a member of the NYPD. "Beyond his devotion to duty, he was a man of joy, warmth, and kindness," said de Blasio.

The street sign, said NYPD Commissioner James O'Neill sent out a message that didn't

die along with the rookie cop, according to the New York Daily news.

**That sign up there means a lot because it's the name of a good person, my son.**

"As we move through the years, maybe some young man or a young girl will look up at that sign, and someone will tell them what a great person Randolph Holder was, and what a great job he did," acceding to several reports.

Randolph Holder Sr., a resident of Far Rockaway told a crowd of friends, family and neighbors that the day of the unveiling was a very special one that will be put in the record books.

"That sign up there means a lot because it's the name of a good person, my son," he said.

Holder Jr. who migrated to the United States from Guyana at a young age, followed in the footsteps of his dad and granddad, who both served in the Guyana Police Force.



Mayor Bill de Blasio, NYPD Commissioner O'Neil, elected officials and police officers, join Princess and Randolph Holder Sr. at the New York City Council street naming ceremony of fallen Guyanese-born NYPD Detective, Randolph Holder Jr. New York Daily News

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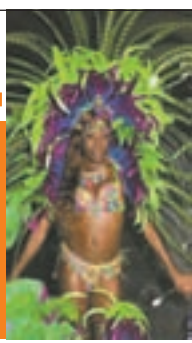
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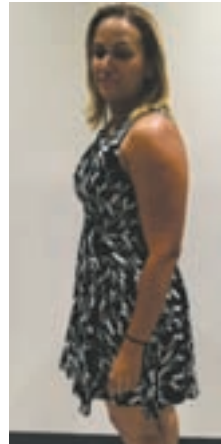
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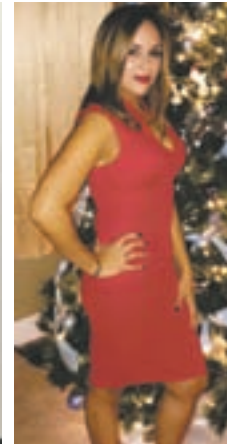
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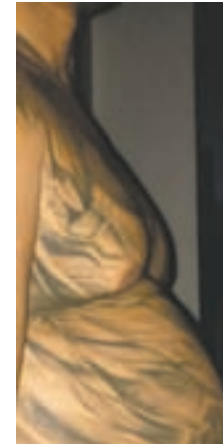
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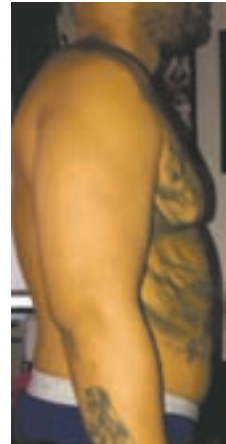
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most significant achievement and while some work and tests are still being finalized, the fact that this information was shared publicly in a setting like that speaks to the confidence which the authorities have with respect to this development in St. Kitts and Nevis."



"We hope that this preliminary finding will in fact come to fruition very shortly and so this acclaim, noteworthy as it is, could be another important one of the people of St. Kitts and Nevis," he said.

Harris, who was accompanied by Minister of State with responsibility for Health, Senator Wendy Phipps, said that they met with several donor agencies including the Clinton Foundation and the Clinton Global Initiative officials "to see how we could procure further assistance and support for the CARICOM region as a whole to advance the development of healthcare."

## Trinidad

Trinidad and Tobago acting Police Commissioner Stephen Williams will

receive an award in Australia next month for his contribution to the advancement of women in policing.

He will be recognized by at the International Association of Women Police (IAWP) Annual Training Conference from Sept. 17-21 in Cairns, Australia.

The IAWP, founded in 1915 and based in Maryland, USA, promotes the role of women in policing and envisions a world where police reflect the diversity of the communities they serve and where human rights are protected, the police service said in a press release.



Its mission is to strengthen, unite and raise the capacity of women in policing internationally. Each year, the IAWP receives nominations from across the globe for officers who are deserving of recognition for their contribution to policing.

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service, with 26 percent of its strength being women officers, has surpassed the average of 15 percent women serving in police forces in North America and other jurisdictions.

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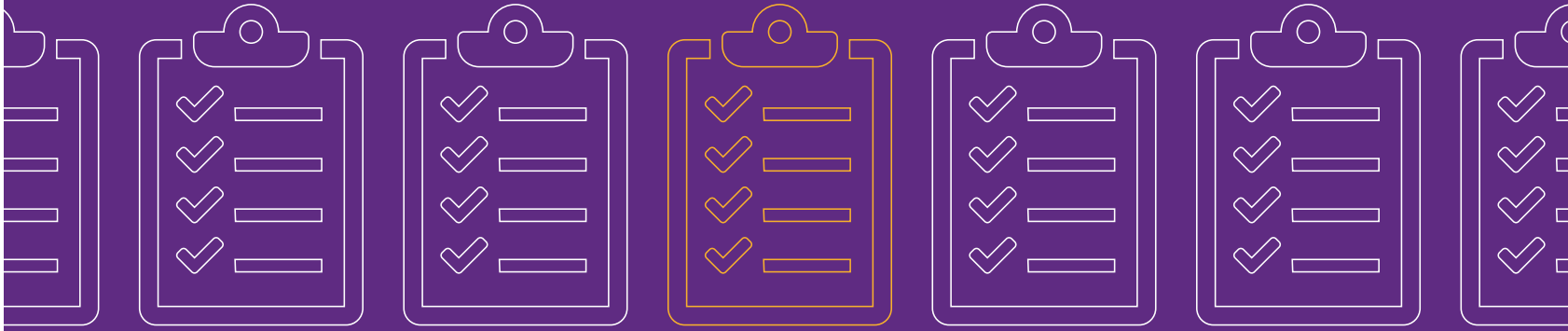
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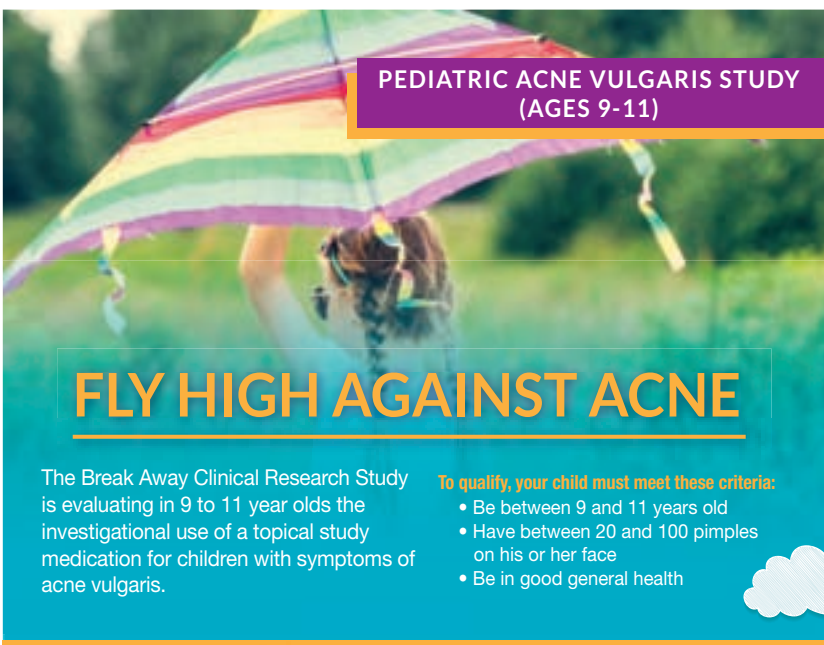
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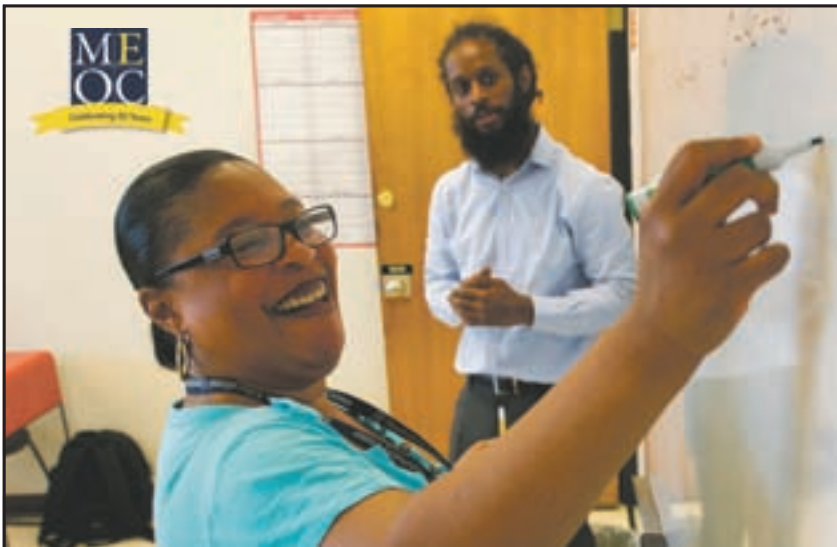
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# QC Alumni NY aids Georgetown students in math

By Tangerine Clarke

Elevating the math skills of students, one summer session at a time, Queens College Alumni Association New York, completed its second QC Math Institute for more than 40 students from six schools, to help the youth develop their adeptness towards STEM accomplishment.

The students learned integrated mathematics at the QC Campus in Georgetown, Guyana, and had the opportunity to interact with Guyanese professionals on career options, during the two-week program that included educational field trips.

The enrichment course was geared towards high school students already performing at a higher level in math, but who needed to be challenged in their critical thinking, said President of the QC Alumni Association New York, Karen Wharton, who facilitated the program with Dean of the School of Science and Health Technology at Medgar Evers College, Dr. Terrance Blackman and other alumni.

Wharton, a Boston University educated engineer, told this publication at the QC campus, recently, that the institute was



President of the QC Alumni Association, NY Center Karen Wharton, left, shake hands with Dr. Surendra Persaud and Dr. Terrence Blackman, during a photo-op with students at the conclusion of the Math Institute at QC Campus in Georgetown, Guyana.  
Photo by Tangerine Clarke

set up to engage high school students in mathematical sciences, not regularly covered in the High School curricula, and to motivate the students to excel in the subject.

“We want to give kids options. They are not limited to being lawyers and doctors, they could make a contribution in other careers said Wharton, noting, that students at the 4th Form level would

have already decided what career path they wanted to take.

Wharton said she feels a connection to her alma mater and is always excited to return to inspire students, and to provide them with access to learning.

“I was privileged to get a sound education while growing up in Guyana, and fortunate to have attended one of the most resource schools. This is why I am obli-

gated to reach back and help students who may not have the same opportunity I had,” added Wharton.

Fifty percent of the students were drawn from Queens College, while others came from Bishops High, St. Stanislaus College, Christ Church Secondary, St. George’s High School, and Tutorial High, based on their academic excellence.

Wharton, a software engineer, said she encourages girls to surround themselves with people who will inspire them to pursue whatever career path the choose — after she was somewhat questioned about choosing a career that is male dominated.

“Aim higher, and follow your dreams. People who march to their own drum are leaders,” she told the students.



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# Harlem's first 24-hour dog care service

By Alexandra Simon

It's a round-the-clock place for doggies.

A Harlem entrepreneur is opening upper Manhattan's first and only 24-hour dog care facility on Aug. 26. The owner of the soon to be state of the art dog space, Melissa Mitchner, decided to reopen her pet grooming store "The Bark Shoppe," as an all day care spot for local pet owners and provide a service that is rare to find in upper Manhattan. Many pet care places in lower Manhattan offer similar services and the chance for owners to watch their pets during day care but it will be the first for the area, she said.

"It's something they want and I wanted to create a space where people no longer have to leave their neighborhood to get the level of service they felt is needed," she said. "That's also what made me open up because when you go downtown this is not unheard of and people like watching their pets on camera and the features — so why not have it uptown?"

The "Bark Shoppe" will offer day and night care services including therapy, washing facilities, boarding, and grooming.

She has revamped the location to be a go-to place for Harlemites who are pet owners, said its founder.

Aside from caring for the dogs, the shop will provide a video link to allow owners to



Founder of The Bark Shoppe, Melissa Mitchner, is opening a 24-hour dog care facility in Harlem on Aug. 10. Phillis Kwentoh

see what their beloved furry relatives are doing during their stay. The dogs will also be spoiled with other self-care services.

Dogs will get a lot of therapeutic care with scents and sounds, said Mitchner. Her shop is also going to offer anx-

ious pets a soothing solution for their needs.

"We also have classic music to help calm dogs with anxiety and lavender essential oils that can also help anxiety and stress," she said.

But even though she is the founder of what will be the

neighborhood's only pet care store, Mitchner herself is not a pet owner and happened to find herself in the business after watching a reality show that gave her the idea.

"I didn't know anything about pets at all and I never owned a pet so it was very left

from what I thought I would be doing," she said.

After being laid off from her job at an electronics store, inspiration however would push her to test out the field of grooming and the experience would open her eyes to the disparity she wanted to change.

"I went to grooming school and immediately I didn't see people that looked like me as a person of color and as I started going to salons, there weren't a lot of minority owners," said Mitchner. "Then I thought, 'I want to actually employ more minority people and get them attracted to grooming.'"

And one of her passions is targeting the community of the most vulnerable, which she hopes her store can be one of the avenues that assist them.

"I wanted to deal with at risk youth for younger generation and have them complete to get job readiness through 'The Bark Shoppe,'" she added.

Mitchner said the store will have a three-day celebratory opening once renovations are completed, from Aug. 24-26, and she hoped nearby residents love what her shop offers.

"I want people to come in and enjoy the family dynamic of a small business, and actually being able to have a point person by knowing who their groomers are — I want people to know how we treat pets and members of their family and our family," she said.

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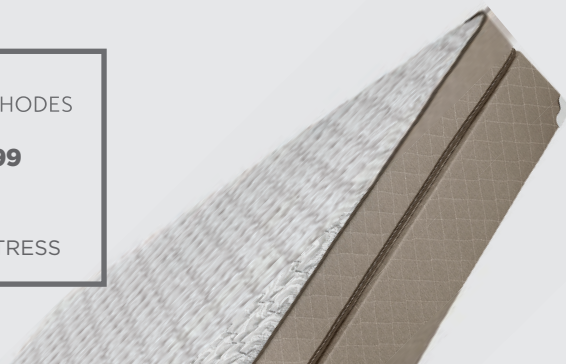
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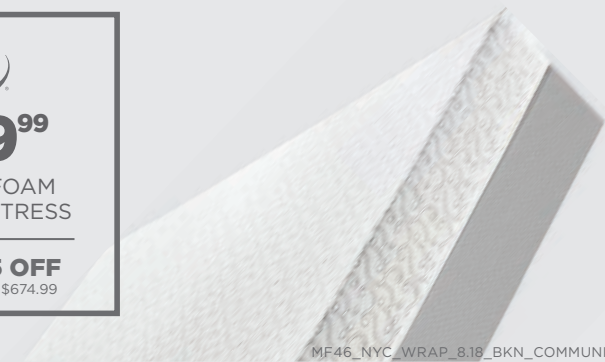
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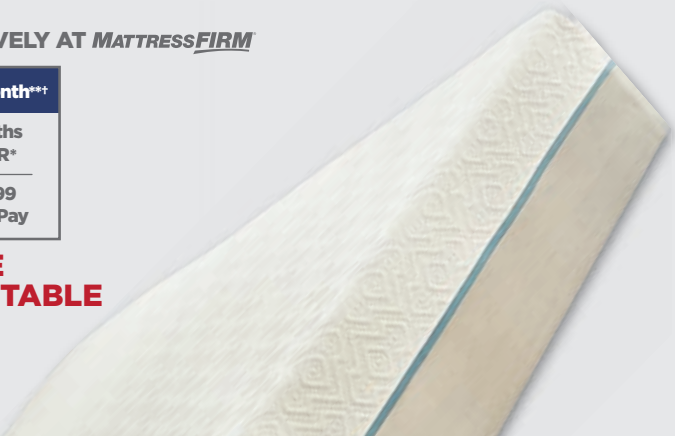
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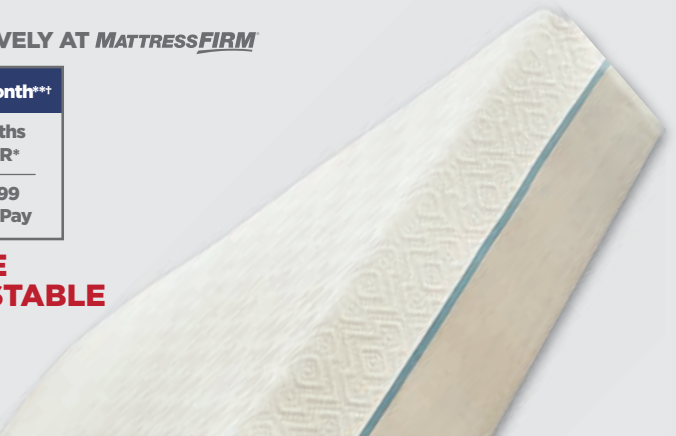


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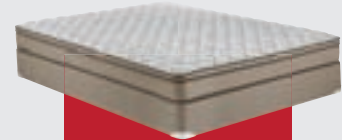
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# Guyana's model green town reflects ambitious national plan

By Desmond Brown

BARTICA, Guyana, Aug. 3, 2017 (IPS) — At the head of Guyana's Essequibo River, 50 miles inland from the Atlantic Ocean, you will find the town of Bartica. Considered the gateway to Guyana's interior, the town has a population of about 15,000 and is the launching point for people who work in the forests mining gold and diamonds.

Under a new project, Bartica is to benefit from the installation of a 20Kwp grid connected Solar Photovoltaic (PV) system at the 3-Mile Secondary School along with the installation of energy efficient lighting, as well as light-emitting diode (LED) street lighting.

The Ministry of the Presidency (MotP), through the Office of Climate Change, in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), launched the Japan-Caribbean Climate Change Partnership (J-CCCP) in Bartica earlier this month.

The partnership, which is being funded by the government of Japan to the tune of 15 million dollars, supports countries in advancing the process

of improving energy security planning for adaptation to climate change.

Head of the Office of Climate Change within the Ministry of the Presidency Janelle Christian said the partnership comes at an opportune time as it helps to advance the vision of President David Granger for Bartica to be developed as a model 'green' town.

"The J-CCCP project and the support that Guyana has been benefiting from and continues to benefit from is set within the framework of the 'Green' State Development Strategy (GSDS)... The pilot initiative that will be implemented in Bartica is a direct response to the President's pronouncement on Bartica becoming the first model 'green' town," she said.

The GSDS provides a framework for national development plans and policies for climate action.

Christian said that the implementation of the J-CCCP supports the government's commitment to transitioning to the use of 100 percent renewable energy in public institutions by 2025.

"These initiatives have to



The light-emitting diode (LED) is one of today's most energy-efficient and rapidly-developing lighting technologies. Under the Japan-Caribbean Climate Change Partnership (J-CCCP) project, the community of Bartica is set to benefit from the installation of energy efficient as well as LED street lighting.

Inter Press Service / Desmond Brown

date, through budgetary support and also resources that we have been able to leverage through our development partners, already started tak-

ing effect," she said.

"The project here in Bartica is not unique to Bartica but it is part of that national programme where we would've

already seen through the leadership of the Guyana Energy Agency (GEA) some schools being installed with photovoltaic system (PVs).

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# Messiah International Mas is 'Bejeweled' for Labor Day



Dasia Chase portrays "Ruby" with her manager Ayanna Renaud, the Trinidadian designer and owner of Kreativ Styles, with offices in Flatbush, Brooklyn, and South Ozone Park, Queens.

Photo by Nelson A. King

By Nelson A. King

With its focus on the Roman Empire's relationship with "certain gemstones," the Brooklyn-based Messiah International Mas Band will be "Bejeweled" in this year's Labor Day production.

"This year, we are portraying traditional historical mas," said co-band leader Trinidadian Chevon Messiah, also known as DJ Twist, in a Caribbean Life interview. "Roman themes have traditionally dominated traditional Trinidad and Tobago carnival. Throughout history, gems have always held special meanings and had special powers."

Messiah, who is also a soca artiste, said his sister, Lucercia Messiah, is the other band leader, adding that the band is dedicated to "the preservation of Trinidad and Tobago mas and culture."

"We are devoted to the revitalization of old time carnival mas and the promotion of the arts associated with the carni-

val tradition," he said.

Messiah said "Bejeweled" comprises two sections: "Sapphire" and "Ruby."

He noted that sapphires did not come into use until the Roman Empire.

"Since ancient times, the Blue Sapphire represented a promise of honesty, loyalty, purity and trust," Messiah said. "It was also purported to protect one from dishonesty, fraud, terror, poverty, and even stupidity and ill temper."

"The ancients also believed that sapphires could help them predict the future," he added. "This year, we wanted a new beginning with trust and loyalty, and the sapphire represents our continuing vision."

Messiah said rubies did not come into use until the Roman Empire emerged around 300 BC (Before Christ).

"Ruby represents love, passion, courage and emotion," he said. "This gem is the king of all gems. It was believed that wearing a fine red Ruby bestowed

good fortune on its owner.

"Rubies have been the prized possession of emperors and kings throughout the ages," Messiah said. "Rubies often ignite passion, as it helps people move in life. This year, we wanted energy and vitality in our band, and rubies help get things moving."

Messiah also said that the Queen — Black Diamond is "the hardest gemstone and one of the most valued."

"The black diamond represents strength and courage," he said. "The diamond is said to increase the power of other gems. Thus, it enhances the ruby and sapphire."

Messiah said "Bejeweled" comprises 50 masqueraders in each mixed section (male and female).

With masqueraders of "all nationalities," he said: "We hope to do well in the small band category."

"We have performed well since 2013," he said, adding, "we always enter into the small band competition."

"Masqueraders can expect a lively band that showcases culture and also promotes a safe enjoyable atmosphere," he continued. "We try to personalize the carnival experience."

"Preparations are going well,"

he said. "We are producing the costumes and organizing the entertainment for the parade."

Besides being co-band leader, Messiah said he is "the official road DJ," with "years of DJ experience."

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# 'Caribbean Sickness' takes over Antoine International

By Nelson A. King

Claiming that "Caribbean Sickness" is too prevalent, Trinidadian Kenneth Antoine says that it is befitting that he so names this year's Labor Day production.

"Wherever you go — all over the Caribbean — everybody gets this Caribbean thing in them, this fever," said Antoine, band leader and producer of Antoine International, in a Caribbean Life interview. "That's why I call it a sickness. It's an epidemic."

Antoine, who founded Antoine International in 1991, said "Caribbean Sickness" comprises 14 sections, including Archangel, Coppertone, Ice White, Royalty, Serenity, Women and Men of the Red Land (Indian), Sun Gods, Oriental Magic, Heat, Caribbean Paradise and Running Rainbow. The remaining sections are produced outside the camp, Antoine said.

He said all but five sections are females. The male sections are: Serenity, Men of the Red Land, Coppertone and Sun Gods (with one outside section).

Antoine averages 30-35 masqueraders per section for an overall 275-300.

"We're from all over," he said about the nationalities of the masqueraders. "We have no specific country, but the majority will be Trinidadians. We cater for Americans right back to the whole Caribbean. We have three whites already registered and one Chinese."

Antoine, who has been participating in mas production for more than 30 years, said he hopes to place in the top three places in the Adult Mas category in the West Indian American Day Carnival Parade.

"We hope to at least win something," he said, adding that Antoine Interna-



A section of Port-of-Spain Pan Groove entertains at Antoine International Mas Camp.

Photo by Nelson A. King

tional has competed "very good" over the years.

"We won small bands a couple of times and won medium band three times," he said. "We've never won large band, because we've never been in the category. For the first time this year, we're going up (competing) in the large band (category)."

He said masqueraders can expect

"lots of fun," adding: "Because the band is all inclusive, you get food and drinks. We take care of our masqueraders."

Masqueraders will sway to the pulsating beat of DJ Sound City, Antoine said.

The mas camp is located at 245 East, 34th St., between Church and Snyder avenues in East Flatbush, Brooklyn.

Antoine can be reached at (347) 303-7857 or email at [kennyantoine622@gmail.com](mailto:kennyantoine622@gmail.com). You can also call Simone LaPoint at (347-701-4649).

"I hope everyone will come out and have a beautiful carnival without committing any crimes," said Antoine, who is also president of the Carnival Band Leaders Association. "Wishing all the bands best of luck!"



Ronesha Griffin portrays "Royalty."  
Photo by Nelson A. King



Roshumba-Rose Marcelle portrays "Archangel."

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Jania Craig portrays "Wild Indian."  
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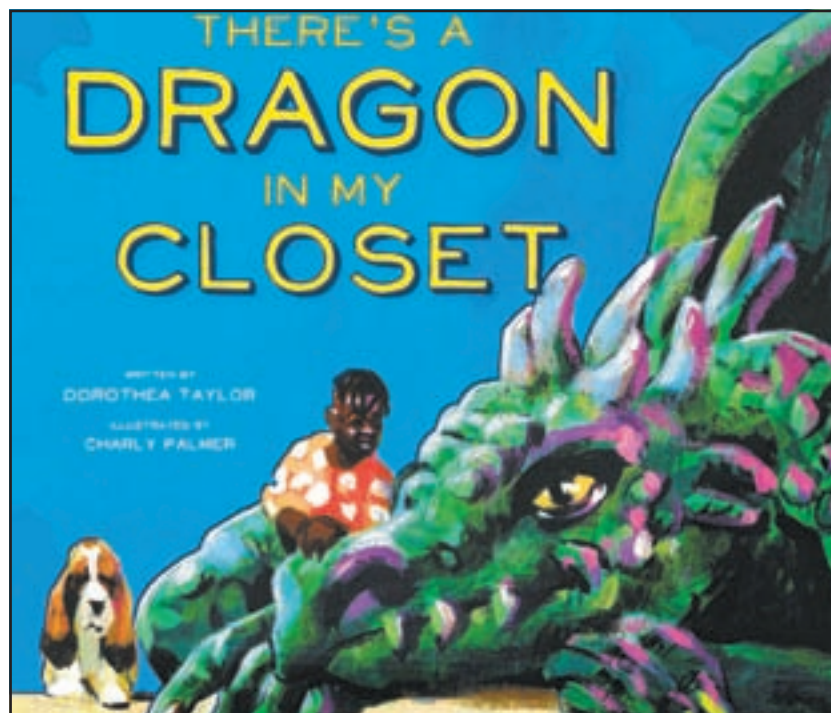
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# A boy and his mysterious dragon

"There's a Dragon in My Closet" by Dorothea Taylor, illustrated by Charly Palmer  
 c.2017, Bolden  
 \$17.95 / \$25.95 Canada  
 32 pages

### By Terri Schlichenmeyer

You didn't do it. Whatever it was, it wasn't your fault. You didn't do it — you weren't even around when it happened. You don't know who to blame. Maybe it was your dog, your mom, or maybe, as in the new book by Dorothea Taylor, illustrated by Charly Palmer, "There's a Dragon in My Closet."

The little boy was sure of lots of things: he had a soft, warm bed to sleep in. He had a dog he played with every day. His daddy loved him, his mother took care of him. And there was a dragon in his closet.

No, seriously! It was "a kind and gentle dragon" but it was mischievous — which, of course, the boy got blamed for. But he wasn't the cause of the mess in his room or the broken flower pot or the muddy footprints on the floor. It was the dragon's fault. The boy didn't do any of those things. He was innocent and he tried to make his parents believe him, but they didn't.

The dragon ate an entire jar of cookies — for real! The dragon wiggled behind the bathroom door and made the boy spit toothpaste — honest! The dragon brought soup for the boy when he was sick... didn't he? And that dollar when the boy lost his tooth — that had to be the dragon's work, right?

Then one day, the boy's mom got tired of listening to stories of a dragon in the closet. She told the boy they'd "get to the bottom of this" and she dragged him up the stairs to his bedroom, where she opened the closet to find a bouncing ball. Then a shoe. A few toy odds and ends. A pair of pants draped over a bar in the closet. A boot, a bat, and a belt. Together, maybe, possibly, if you squinted, it might look something like a dragon, kinda-sorta, a little bit.

It was all in his head, said the boy's mother. There was no dragon in the closet. And she went downstairs, but not before the boy saw...

Much as I loved the idea behind "There's a Dragon in My Closet" and its wonderful theme of imagination, there was one thing that I wondered: will kids understand it enough?

With a catchy rhyme that starts out fun, author Dorothea Taylor tells the story of a boy and his dragon. Quite frankly, the story stays at a level of "fun" well enough, but some of the language seemed more adult-like than childish. Kids may not completely comprehend the story because of it, and that may be a distraction for an out-loud reader.

But never mind — come for the imagination, and stay for the artwork by Charly Palmer. I can't say enough about that part of this book: it's colorful, in sweeping-blendy tones and bold marks. Just — wow.

Keep your eyes on the little boys' t-shirts, by the way. You'll be charmed, and so will your three-to-six-year-old. He'll love "There's a Dragon in My Closet," and who could blame him?

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Puerto-Rican American actor Alejandro Santoni. Jordan Matter Jordan Matter

## Actor tapped in new TV projects

By Alexandra Simon

He's riding the main stage.

Puerto-Rican actor Alejandro Santoni came to New York almost a decade ago to pursue his acting career. He was met with some early struggles but now the actor is on his way to create an even bigger name for himself and is celebrating three new roles on television and in

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## Crop Over not so usual

By George Alleyne

Barbados wrapped up another Crop Over festival with organisers beaming at the success to which the island has become accustomed, but what people are now left to grapple with is one souring incident of gun violence and death.

On the evening of Kadooment Day, the flagship event that attracts thousands of local and overseas costumed revelers a gunman, or gunmen, opened fire killing the apparently intended victim but in the process wounding another six persons.

Some 14 others suffered injuries received in the rush to get out of the line of fire on Spring Garden where the festival culminated with a massive street party on Aug. 07.

Though the island has been having

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A Scotiabank Caribbean Carnival participant performs for judges in Toronto on Saturday, Aug. 2, 2014. Commonly called Caribana, the event culminated Saturday with its annual parade, with colorful costumes, upbeat music and dancing in the streets.

Associated Press / The Canadian Press, Victor Biro

## Caribbean carnival celebrates 50th grand parade

By Nelson A. King

Eleven masquerade bands, more than 10,000 costumed revelers, thousands of other revelers and over a million people converged on Toronto's Lakeshore Boulevard last Saturday for the city's 50th grand Caribbean carnival.

"The atmosphere of today's milestone parade was as colorful as ever," reported the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC). "The day started with a few rain showers, and a few feathers got wet, but spirits weren't

dampened."

It said Toronto's 50th Caribbean carnival held its flagship event, with the 13-hour parade lasting until sundown.

Shane Ingram came all the way from Amsterdam to march in the Toronto Caribbean Carnival.

"It's almost in your blood," told CBC, describing the energy he gets from the event, now in its 50th year.

Despite having to get up early and to face chilly temperatures, Ingram said the air was buzzing with antici-

pation.

"The first time I saw carnival, I was on the sidelines in normal civilian clothing," Ingram said, shaking his plumed purple headdress. "Once you put this thing on, you're transformed."

Ingram and his Toronto friend, Ricardo Smith, danced beside him.

"The camaraderie, the revelry, it's excitement all day long," Smith said.

Aja Bowser came all the way from San Antonio, Texas for her first car-

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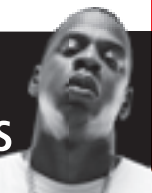
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- 10 **Something Just Like This**  
The Chainsmokers & Coldplay

### TOP 10 ALBUMS



- 1 **Brett Eldredge**  
Brett Eldredge
- 2 **NOW 63**  
Various Artists
- 3 **4:44**  
JAY-Z
- 4 **Andy Mineo and Wordsp...**  
Andy Mineo and Wordsplayed
- 5 **Deadweight**  
Wage War
- 6 **Descendants 2**  
Soundtrack
- 7 **Lust For Life**  
Lana Del Rey
- 8 **20 Greatest Hits**  
Glen Campbell
- 9 **Dirty South**  
Lucas Hoge
- 10 **Moana**  
Soundtrack

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# MAS IN TORONTO

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nival.  
“You don’t get this camaraderie any and everywhere,” she told CBC. “I’m trying to get in touch with that innate heritage, that feeling that I’m part of something bigger.”

Bowser shared her secret of keeping carnival’s ubiquitous accessory — glitter — stuck to her skin.

“It’s Vaseline. You gotta rub yourself with Vaseline or baby oil and then just throw the glitter on you, like you ran into a unicorn or something,” she said.

It was CBC Toronto’s own Jennifer Allen’s first carnival this year.

The Metro Morning reporter had been watching the parade for years, but told the television station that being in costume adds the excitement of con-

stant motion.

“When you’re walking down Lakeshore Boulevard and performing in front of the judges, it’s a great feeling,” she said.

Tanysha Castello, a carnival veteran, said she brought her mother along this year so she could get her first taste of the event.

“It’s a cultural thing. It keeps you connected with everybody,” Castello told CBC News.

Tamara Kralik’s daughter, 6, agreed. She was in a mas band, and noted the energy of masqueraders around her.

Kralik said she woke up at 5 am to dress and prepare, adding that she was not quitting early.

“The vibe that you get just from being on the road with so many people — it’s a whole different celebration,” she said of the Caribbean cultural masterpiece.



Mas bands revel in the music as they walk the parade route at the Toronto Caribbean Carnival’s grand parade, in Toronto on Saturday, July 30, 2016.

Associated Press/ Cole Burston / The Canadian Press



Dance Nationale Afrique troupe performing at the after Crop Over party. Photo by George Alleyne

## Barbados Crop Over

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more than its fair share of gun-related violence and deaths, none expected it to spill into this showcase event that annually attracts droves of international celebrities and other persons from across the world seeking a fun, rum, sun and an all-round good time.

The disbelief that enveloped Barbadians was perhaps best represented by Prime Minister Freundel’s statement at a Crop Over after-party two days later when he ignored the incident in his recap of the 2017 two months of festivities.

He spoke of Monday’s Grand Kadooment as a time, “when we saw a blaze of colour, form and movement along the streets of Barbados culminating at the Spring Garden Highway.

“In all of this we can pat ourselves on the shoulders

because we conducted ourselves with impressive dignity, and with sobriety put up the best face of Barbados.”

“Barbadians have been served a menu of very impressive events, all of which have been substantially and resoundingly patronized by Barbadians here and by visitors to this country from our Diaspora, and the tourists who treat Barbados as their second home.”

The country’s leader did however appear to pull his head out of the sand some days later when he commented on the overall situation of violent crime, which has seen so far 22 mostly gun-related deaths, including the one at Kadooment Day.

“We have to do some repair work if we are to be able to deal with this problem more effectively.

## Actor Alejandro Santoni tapped in new television projects

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film. One of those projects is the city-based web series and acclaimed show, “We Are New York, which he enjoyed being a part of.

“I just finished that series, and it’s an award winning show, and it was a wonderful experience — I loved it,” said Santoni.

The show follows the stories of recent immigrants to the city, and in the series he plays a Mexican immigrant who is a language teacher. Leaving Puerto Rico in 2010 to get into acting, the role is somewhat relatable to what Santoni experience to explore a new life, he said.

“I came to New York city with a lot of dreams and I knew it would be very different, but I decided to take the risk because my passion was greater than anything else,” said Santoni.

He came to the United States with a goal and even with some doubts from family, he stood by his aspirations and followed them.

“When I told my mother and father that I was coming back, I already knew that I wasn’t and

I made that decision,” he said. “Being an actor — it’s difficult for parents to accept a career like that because it is hard and there’s not always stability, but you really have to be passionate and work-focused.”

Now the actor also has two films that are set to come out later this year and in 2018. One of them is “Turned Out,” which he filmed with well-known Indian filmmaker Ritu Singh Pande. The other is “Carmen,” an independent drama that is expected to be released next month. In the film Santoni plays a former actor who is homeless with a set of troubles. He says the way the movie tackles nuanced experiences people who are down and out encounter is what drew him to it.

“The movie presents homelessness in different ways,” he said. “My character is not the typical homeless guy — it’s the one you see when he’s hanging out or with women and you wouldn’t know if he’s homeless,” said Santoni.

He also adds that the movie is a metaphor for what many people are experiencing living in a city such as New York.

# Demonic doll haunts yet another house

**Annabelle: Creation**  
 Very Good (3 stars)  
 Rated R for horror violence and terror  
 Running time: 109 minutes  
 Production Company: New Line Cinema / Atomic Monster  
 Distributor: Warner Brothers Pictures



Janice (Talitha Bateman) and Sister Charlotte (Stephanie Sigman) star in "Annabelle: Creation" which is directed by David F. Sandberg. [www.rottentomatoes.com](http://www.rottentomatoes.com)

By Kam Williams

"Annabelle: Creation" is the fourth film in a horror franchise that previously featured The Conjuring 1 and 2 as well as Annabelle. Because this prequel is set in 1952, well before the events which transpired in the others, one need not be familiar with those pictures to thoroughly enjoy this one, provided you like having the bejesus scared out of you.

The stand-alone screamfest trades in all the staples of your generic haunted house adventure, ranging from a spooky disembodied voice singing a capella, to involuntary levitation,

to a victim leaving nail marks in the floor as she's dragged down a darkened hall by a mysterious force. The movie was directed by David F. Sandberg, the Swedish wunderkind who made an impressive debut just last year with the low-budget thriller "Lights Out."

As the film unfolds, we find dollmaker Samuel Mullins (Anthony LaPaglia) and his reclusive, bed-ridden wife, Esther (Miranda Otto), passing their days in a ramshackle, Victorian mansion sitting on a mountaintop in the middle of nowhere. They're ostensibly still shaken

by the loss of their daughter Bee (Samara Lee) who was hit by a car over a decade ago.

That might explain why the inconsolable couple has decided to share their humble abode with a half-dozen orphans. The homeless girls are being chaperoned by Sister Charlotte

(Stephanie Sigman), a God-fearing guardian grateful to get a roof over their heads.

The waifs are pretty much given free rein of the place, except for a direct order from Mr. Mullins to steer clear of Bee's bedroom. But that injunction proves too tempting for Janice (Talitha Bateman), a curious kid suffering from polio.

Of course, she ventures inside and unwittingly unleashes a host of demonic forces doing the bidding of Annabelle, a doll Samuel had originally made for his dearly-departed daughter. It isn't long thereafter that all hell begins to break loose.

Director Sandberg proves particularly adept at ratcheting up the tension. In fact, the spine-tingling flick delivers innumerable heart-stopping moments along the way, though they come more from jolting sounds and abrupt edits than from investment in the simplistically-drawn characters.

Ask if they'll sell you a ticket for half a seat, since you'll never bother to sit back during this edge-of-your-seat thriller."

## Independent & Foreign Films

**Crown Heights** (R for profanity, sexuality, nudity and violence) Miscarriage of justice drama recounting the real-life ordeal of Colin Warner (Lakeith Stanfield) who

was sentenced to life in 1980 for a murder he didn't commit. With Nnamdi Asomugha, Bill Camp and Yil Vazquez.

**Dave Made a Maze** (Unrated) Nick Thune plays the title character in this horror comedy about an artist who ends up trapped in his living room inside a booby-trapped fort of his own making. With Kristen Vangsness, John Hennigan and Stephanie Allynne.

**Gook** (Unrated) Racial strife saga, set in South Central L.A. in the wake of the Rodney King verdict, revolving around the attempt of a couple of Korean-American brothers (Justin Chon and David So) to protect their shoe store from rioters with the help of a street-wise, 11 year-old black girl (Simone Baker). Cast includes Ben Munoz, Curtiss Cook, Jr. and Chris Jai Alex.

**Lemon** (Unrated) Midlife crisis drama about a struggling actor-turned-drama teacher (Brett Gelman) whose world falls apart after he's dumped by his blind girlfriend of ten years (Judy Greer). With Nia Long, Fred Melamed and Michael Cera.

**The Queen of Spain** (Unrated) Pene-



### Kam's Kapsules

By Kam Williams

lope Cruz stars in this sequel to her 1998 film, *Girls of Your Dreams*. Follow up finds her character returning to Spain from Hollywood to star in a movie about Queen Isabella. Supporting cast includes Antonio Resines, Neus Asensi and Ana Belen. (In English and Spanish with subtitles)

**Shot Caller** (R for graphic violence, drug use, brief nudity and pervasive profanity) Crime thriller about a recently paroled DUI convict (Nikolaj Coster-Waldau) who finds himself pressured to pull a big heist by the gang that protected him while behind bars. With Omari Hardwick, Benjamin Bratt, Emory Cohen and Lake Bell.

**Sidemen: Long Road to Glory** (Unrated) Reverential retrospective taking a fond look at the careers of pianist Pinetop Perkins, guitarist Hubert Smith and drummer Willie "Big Eyes" Smith, members of the unsung band that backed up such blues legends Muddy Waters and Howlin' Wolf. Narrated by Marc Maron, and featuring commentary by Bonnie Raitt, Eric Clapton and Greg Allman.

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Jamaica's Usain Bolt wears the bronze during the medal ceremony for the Men's 100m during the World Athletics Championships in London Sunday, Aug. 6, 2017.

Associated Press / David J. Phillip

## PUMA offers job to Bolt

By Azad Ali

PUMA has offered Jamaica's sprint superstar Usain Bolt a post to head its Caribbean business once he retires from athletics.

PUMA Chief Executive Officer Bjorn Guiden told a German newspaper during an interview that Bolt could be even more important for the company when he stops

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## Trinidad captures gold

By Azad Ali

Trinidad and Tobago men's 4x400-metre relay team captured gold in the final event at the 2017 IAAF World Championships in London, England on Sunday evening.

The quartet of Jarrin Solomon, Jareem Richards, Machael Cedenro and Lalonde Gordon shocked the world as they beat the Americans and Britons into second and third respectively with the fastest time in the event this year of 2:58.12.

The USA clocked 2:58.61 seconds for the silver medal and Britain recorded 2:59.00 seconds for the bronze.

Their victory marked the first time in the history of Trinidad and Tobago a 4x400 team had earned a gold medal.

The feat followed Richard's bronze medal three days before in the 200

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# LATE PUSH

Burst off the bench: Cosmos sub Eugene Starikov provided a bit of much-needed offensive effort against FC Edmonton on Aug. 11.

FC Edmonton

## Cosmos draw in Edmonton

By Laura Amato

They struggled to get an edge, but couldn't.

The Cosmos fought hard in a back-and-forth match against FC Edmonton at Clarke Stadium on Aug. 11, but came away with a frustrating 1-1 draw. The New Yorkers would have relished an outright victory, but the one point they got was enough to give the squad confidence as it looks to climb in the standings during the Fall season.

"We had more mobility. We controlled the ball," said Cosmos head coach Giovanni Savarese. "At the end,

[we got] a great goal by [Emmanuel] Ledesma. I thought it was fantastic. Then [there was] a questionable call that maybe could have went our way."

The Cosmos looked strong from the opening whistle, but FC Edmonton got the first few good looks at net, including an eighth-minute shot that tested New York goalkeeper Jimmy Mauer.

The Cosmos turned the momentum quickly, taking advantage of a 14th-minute giveaway by Abdoulaye Diakité. The loose ball was pushed forward by Pablo Vranjicán who dished

off to Javi Márquez and drew a Cosmos corner.

The squad couldn't convert, however, and the home team continued to pressure Mauer and the Cosmos's back line throughout the first half. FC Edmonton finally broke the tie just moments before the break as Daryl Fordyce connected on a Ben Fisk cross, heading in the shot from the edge of the six-yard box in the 45th minute.

New York refused to back down in the second half, however, and grabbed a big-time opportunity in the 56th

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# Usain Bolt

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running.

"I can even imagine that he could run our business in the Caribbean," he told the newspaper.

Bolt ran his last race at the 2017 London Olympics where he ended his gold medal winning streak (eight) with a bronze medal.

Guiden has previously said Bolt, who has been sponsored by Puma since he was 15, could be just as valuable for the brand off the track, adding he would have more time for product development.

Bolt, 31 said recently he was looking forward to a new chapter. He intends to stay close to athletics and is eyeing some sort of a roving ambassador role, inspiring the world's youth to get involved in a sport.

## Raise the bar: Brian Lara



Former West Indies Captain, Brian Lara.

Associated Press / Andres Leighton, File

By Azad Ali

West Indies batting legend Brian Lara has urged the current crop of West Indies batsmen to keep raising the bar if they want to be among the top batsmen in international cricket.

He said the West Indies which will start a three-match Test series against England on Aug. 17, must find a way to transfer the talent at youth level to senior level.

Lara, one of the world's greatest batsmen noted that everybody has talent and the West Indies youngsters have the most talent in the world.

He made the call during the opening at the Mr. Lara's 400\* Pop-up Lounge and Memorabilia Museum in St. Clair, Port of Spain next to the Queen's Park Oval last week.

The former West Indies captain said when a batsman performs early in their career the opposition will find a way to work out a plan to get you.

Lara cited many examples where players come out in the early part of their Test career, perform very well and all of a sudden just fall by the wayside.

"Everyone around the world has talent. Who has that mental fortitude to go out there and keep performing day in day out to raise the bar all the time will succeed," he added.



Push for points: Emmanuel Ledesma's second-half equalizer ensured the Cosmos grabbed a point on Aug. 11 as the squad drew 1-1 with FC Edmonton.

FC Edmonton

## COSMOS TO PLAY INDY ELEVEN

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minute. Ledesma drew a free kick after being taken down by Allan Zebi, but his shot was caught by a diving Tyson Farago in the Edmonton net.

The Cosmos produced the equalizer in the 66th minute as Ledesma — who had been dominant throughout

the match — connected on a rocket of a shot from the top of the box inside the near post. It was his sixth goal of the season, and prolonged the Cosmos's goal-scoring streak.

"We moved the ball a lot faster, we found spaces, countered quicker and that's why we were able to find the equalizer a lot easier," Savarese said of

his team's mindset in the second half.

New York had hoped for one final chance at a victory, after subbed-in Kobi Moyal went down in the box, but referee Alain Ruch didn't blow his whistle, and the squads finished knotted at one.

The Cosmos return home to MCU Park on Aug. 19, to square off against Indy Eleven at 7:30 pm.

## Trinidad relay team makes history

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meters final and para athlete Akeem Stewart's two gold medals.

The Trinidad and Tobago relay team denied the United States of America a seventh consecutive gold in the event.

The team shared the stage in the closing event, which included the greatest sprinter in the history of track and field, Jamaican Usain Bolt who was honored as he ended his career and goes into retirement.

Lalonde Gordon, a double Olympic bronze medalist at the London venue five years ago was confident that the team will win gold in the relay.

The relay team has joined Hasley Crawford winning gold at the Montreal, Canada Olympics in 1976 and Keshorn Walcott who also won gold at the London Olympics in 2012 in the Men's Javelin competition.

The Trinidad and Tobago government and the opposition sent congratulatory messages to the team.



Trinidad and Tobago's gold medal winning team of Jarrin Solomon, Machel Cedenio, Lalonde Gordon and Jereem Richards celebrate after winning the gold in the men's 4x400-meter relay final during the World Athletics Championships in London Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017. Associated Press / David J. Phillip

# Usain our champion forever: Jamaica sports minister

By Vinette K. Pryce

Olivia Grange, Jamaica's minister of culture, gender, entertainment and sport was swift and decisive about responding to an apology Usain Bolt, the island's star sprinter made following his ill-fated, final race at the IAAF World Championships in London last Saturday.

"Today, we witnessed the final act in the competitive athletic career of Usain Bolt.

It didn't go according to plan as he collapsed with an injury while anchoring the Jamaica team in the 4x100 metres. He apologized to his team mates and all of Jamaica as he limped off the track.

I do not accept his apology.

Like his team mates, I will also say to Usain, there is no need for an apology because he gave everything — as he's always done.

Instead, I would ask Usain to accept our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

I would ask him to accept

our gratitude for an amazing career which raised our national profile; a career in which he proudly carried his Jamaican-ness around the world; a career which contributed much to development of a sport industry in Jamaica; a career which rescued global athletics.

I believe we all have been honored to watch Usain do extraordinary things for the better part of the last 15 years. He redefined speed and brought great entertainment to world athletics.

His impressive records might be broken one day, but his place in our hearts is secured forever.

We will forever remember his breathtaking brilliance.

Usain will forever be our champion."

Bolt's British champion ally Mo Farah also suffered a blistering loss when he lost his bid for a fifth major championship victory.

The most successful British track athlete in modern

Olympic Games history, he is the 2012 and 2016 Olympic gold medalist in both the 5000 metres and 10,000 metres.

For Sir Mo, the games were intended to be his last and final run.

He placed a disappointing second in the 500m.

"It has definitely hit me. I got emotional on Saturday night. All good things in life must come to an end at some point. What goes up must come back down. I wanted to end on a high. But it happens. The better man won on the day. That's part of athletics." The Somali-born athlete said.

"To beat Mo, it's taken them six years to do it but you've got to give it to them," the retiring athlete said.

Mo Farah is the most decorated athlete in British athletic history, with ten global titles. He is the first British athlete to win two gold medals at the same world championships,

He was knighted by Queen



Jamaica's Usain Bolt makes his trademark gesture during a lap of honor at the end of the World Athletics Championships in London Sunday, Aug. 13, 2017.

Associated Press / Matt Dunham

Elizabeth II in the 2017 New Year honors for services to athletics.

He was also appointed commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in 2013.

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**TAURUS: Apr 21/May 21**  
Taurus, you are eager to listen and learn, but you also want to create your own experiences and share them with others. Find a balance between being a teacher and a student.

**GEMINI: May 22/Jun 21**  
Gemini, you excel at thinking through decisions before making them. This careful approach tends to work in your favor, but some decisions can be made more quickly than others.

**CANCER: Jun 22/Jul 22**  
Cancer, an important decision must be made in the very near future. Your judgement may be clouded by extraneous information, so try to block unnecessary noise.

**LEO: Jul 23/Aug 23**  
You are at a turning point in your life and now may be a good time to make a few key changes, Leo. They may involve making new friends or exploring a new career.

**VIRGO: Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Virgo, even if you have a lot to get done, you will be able to make decisions on your feet and adapt as the situation calls for it this week. Changes can come about quickly.

**LIBRA: Sept 23/Oct 23**  
Actively explore any impulses you may have over the next few days, Libra. You may not have the freedom for such exploration beyond this week, so act soon.

**SCORPIO: Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Scorpio, some time relaxing seems like the ideal scenario right now. But you're not prone to sitting still too long. Look for activities that keep you engaged.

**SAGITTARIUS: Nov 23/Dec 21**  
You are in your element this week, Sagittarius. Expect to be soaring on good vibes for several days. There is nothing pressing to pull you in another direction, so keep sailing along.

**CAPRICORN: Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Capricorn, now may seem like a good time to allow your imagination to run wild, especially if the going gets tough. However, you need to be fully present this week.

**AQUARIUS: Jan 21/Feb 18**  
Optimism is always good, Aquarius. But you may need to look at all sides of the situation right now if you are to make an informed choice about something important.

**PISCES: Feb 19/Mar 20**  
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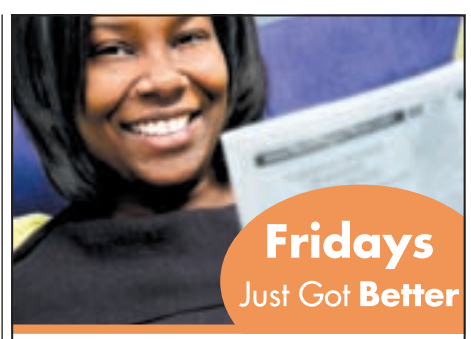
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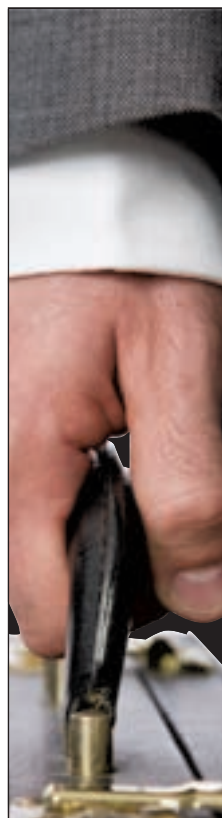
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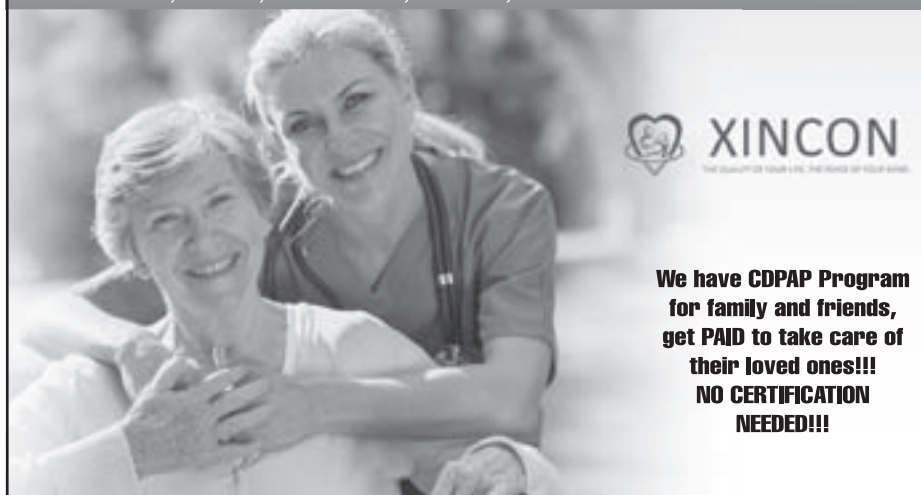
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