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## THE MOTHER OF ALL POLICE BRUTALITY

### What A Way For The Victim To Begin The New Year

The evidence of police brutality had to be compelling for the Commissioner of Police, subsequent to the report being aired in the media, to have moved in such a swift manner in suspending no less than 25% of the personnel attached to the San Pedro Police Station.

In life, it is said that there is always a first time for everything. Well, in all years that we have been involved in the news business, particularly paying keen attention to reports of the abuse of citizen's rights, this is the **FIRST** time that we have seen this level of physical evidence of police Brutality - and that's brutality with a capital "B".

It was one week after the incident when Santa Elena resident, **Ryan Requena**, 24, who has been living

and working in San Pedro Town for almost four years, came to us with photographs as evidence of the condition of his body after being subjected to many hours of beating at the hands (*and feet*) of elements attached to the San Pedro police sub-formation.

In investigating the report, our first move was to contact **Assistant Superintendent of Police Humberto Patt** in his capacity as officer commanding the formation in question. ASP Patt told us, one week after the incident, that he was not aware of it and that he would investigate the matter and get back to us.

We allowed for a full day to pass and when he did not call us, we dispatched a reporter to San

Pedro. Imagine our surprise when shortly after landing on the island town, the call came back that the man at the center of the brutality was none other than the Officer Commanding the San Pedro police sub-formation, the very same ASP Humberto Patt who was continuing in office as if it was business as usual.

Whilst on another assignment, we caught up with Ryan Requena and his father-in-law in Belize City on Tuesday, January 8. We immediately made contact with Channel 7's News Director **Jules Vasquez**, to get the report on that evening's newscast. We then contacted **Police Press Officer G. Michael Reid** who informed that the Commissioner of Police was aware of the incident and that he had dispatched a team of "*senior investigators*" to look into the report. We expressed disappointment that ASP Patt and the officers involved in the incident were still on active duty.

Channel 7 ran the news that same Tuesday evening and even before the broadcast was completed the TV station received a call from the Officer Commanding the Belize (Police) District, **Assistant Commissioner of Police, Allen Whyllie**, who informed that Patt, along two corporals and three



The Victim, Ryan Requena, 24



AS P Humberto Patt, 30, at the center of the incident, a few days from his 31st birthday on January 18

constables, were relived from active duties pending the outcome of the investigation.

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## Sexually Assaulted Victim Was NOT A Peace Corp Volunteer

No sooner had the last edition of the **STAR** hit the streets when we received a call from **Steve Miller**, Country Director, Peace Corp Belize, offering a correction to our headline article indicating that the female sexually assaulted victim was not a Peace Corp volunteer as we reported, but instead that it was the male companion who is actually a Peace Corp volunteer. Miller further informed that the female victim was actually on vacation from the United States with the male Peace Corp acquaintance.

This information was confirmed by San Ignacio police and as such we render sincere apologies to the Peace Corp Director and his volunteers for

all inconveniences that the erroneous publication might have caused. We further take this opportunity to express appreciation to Steve Miller for providing us with all necessary contact information in order to facilitate communication in the event that any Peace Corp related activity should occur in the future.

Miller said that "*Peace Corp volunteers have been working in Belize for 45 years.*" He additionally informed that "*Peace Corps has and excellent working relationship with the government of Belize and the counterpart organizations, both governmental and non-governmental, where Volunteers are assigned.*"



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## THE MOTHER OF ALL POLICE BRUTALITY

### From Front Page

As a senior officer of the Police Department, ASP Patt's interdiction from active duty was promptly approved by way of individual telephone calls to a majority of the members of the Security Services Commission. With the powers vested in him, the Commissioner of Police instantly ordered the interdiction of **Corporals #449 Frank Garcia** and **#806 Eddison Roches** as well as **Constables #161 Jody Ingram, #1163 Elroy Vernon** and **#923 Gerald Sutherland**.

Our investigations revealed that on Christmas night, Ryan Requena and some friends were invited by Mrs. Patt to her house in San Pedro Town, for a few drinks. They arrived at around 10:00 p.m. and were there for less than an hour when ASP Patt arrived. He joined the party and after a few hours of drinking, he began to accuse Requena of having an affair with the Mrs. This was when Requena decided to leave.

While walking out of the house Requena noticed Patt physically assaulting the Mrs. and so he stepped back into the house to separate them. Whilst in the process of separating them, Patt reportedly pushed Requena; this was when Requena spun around and gave Patt a single punch in the face.

Patt immediately called the police. They arrived shortly thereafter while Requena and his friends were still in the area. Patt instructed the police to detain Requena and to transport him to the police station. The Mrs. intervened and told the police that Requena was not at fault and that the incident was actually instigated by Patt.

The police invited Requena and his friends into the police vehicle and they proceeded to drop them off at their various homes.

**Well, that should have been the end of the story - but NO it was not.**

A week later, at around 9:30 a.m. on New Years Eve, a team of policemen arrived at Requena's house to execute a search warrant **"for arms and ammunition"** they said. The search, according to Requena, mysteriously yielded a small amount of marijuana which he claimed he had no knowledge of.

As a result of the discovery, Requena and his common-law-wife were detained and escorted to the San Pedro police station where they were placed under lock up.

After being in police custody for about 5 hours, the common-law-wife was charged for drug possession and released on a \$1,000.00 police bail. Requena however, remained in police lock up. It was not until around 7:00 p.m. that he was issued with a joint charge for drug possession. When he inquired about getting bail, he was reportedly told that other charges were coming his way.



**The victim, Ryan Requena, 24**

Requena informed that at around 9:30 p.m. he was removed from the holding cell and placed inside a dark room without light and with the only furnishing being a chair and a table which he was able to see from the light when the door was opened for him to enter.

A few minutes later he saw a mist coming from a side window and the burning sensation he felt in the face made him realize that he was pepper sprayed. He rushed outside the room toward the back of the police station and into the bathroom where he was able to wash his eyes and face. Just as he was getting an ease from the effects of the spray, a policeman came up to him and pepper sprayed him in the face. This was his second dose of the irritant. This time he was not allowed to wash it off but instead he was shoved back into the dark room.

About five minutes later five policemen, in civilian clothes, entered the room and began beating him with their fists, feet and a rubber hose. The beating continued for several minutes after which all five policemen left.

They had not exited the room for more than a few minutes when they returned to continue the beating.

They left for a second time and returned shortly thereafter for round number 3 of the beating after which they removed Requena from the dark room and placed inside one of the holding cells along with two other detainees.

ASP Patt made his first appearance at the station later that night and instructed the police to isolate Requena from the other two detainees and to flood the isolation cell with water before placing him therein.

Requena remained in the soaked cell for about ½ an hour when Patt instructed that he be handcuffed and returned to the **"torture chamber"**.

This was when Patt made his grand appearance and with both of Requena's hands cuffed behind his back, Patt began unleashing a merciless beating upon Requena with a baton. **"It is like the Lord gave me a vision in that dark room, as I saw Patt coming down with the big stick towards my head. Unable**

**to block it with my hands which were handcuffed behind my back, I escaped the blow that might have ended my life by crashing under the table"** said Requena.

Patt then asked Requena which hand he used to punch him a week earlier and when Requena told him that it was his left hand, Patt began concentrating the beating throughout the entire length of his left hand and the left side of his body with the baton, his fist and his feet. In the process Requena sustained visible trauma to the chest, back, face, hands, feet, head, ears, neck and eyes. **"After what seemed like an eternity of beating, Patt eventually left the room with the promise to return"** said Requena.

A few hours later the five policemen in civilian clothes, who initiated the assault, returned to the **"torture chamber"**, this time however they were in uniform, and they each began to take turns beating Requena with a rubber hose. One of them pepper sprayed him in the face for a third time after which they all left.

About an hour after this last round of beating, Patt returned and resumed the beating with the baton while another policeman who accompanied him repeatedly kicked Requena in the face and neck.

Patt asked Requena if he had any feeling in any of his hands, when Requena told him yes, Patt then started hitting the hand cuffs that were on Requena's hands with the baton until they became extremely tight thereby cutting into Requena's skin on both wrists.

While he was beating me" said Requena, **"Patt told me that if I didn't die from the beating, that I would be a lucky man. He continued to beat me some more and then he left for a while."** The same five policemen re-entered the **"torture chamber"** and they

proceeded to beat Requena two more times. Throughout the entire ordeal, Requena was bawling out for help but no one came to his assistance. The various intermissions came only long enough for his bawling to subside.

Patt then ordered that Requena be left in the **"torture chamber"** and before leaving, one of the policemen gave him a fourth dose of pepper spray in the face.

A few hours later he was removed from the **"torture chamber"** and returned to the soaked cell with the tightened handcuff cutting into his flesh on both wrists and his body aching in pain from head to toes.

Just as dawn was breaking a policeman whom he identified as PC Sutherland came to the cell and told him that the least he could do for him is to slacken the handcuff and nothing more because the punishment that he was undergoing, said PC Sutherland, was on instructions from the Officer in Charge. When morning finally broke one Sergeant Sanchez visited the cell, removed the handcuffs and transferred him to a dry cell where he remained in excruciating pain until 2:00 p.m. on New Years Day when he was released on a \$1,000.00 bail for the single charge of possession of marijuana.

Requena is therefore puzzled that PC Sutherland would be placed on interdiction as, apart from **Sgt. Sanchez**; PC Sutherland was the only other policeman who was sensitive to his condition and punishment. He is further puzzled when at least two more policemen who were actively engaged in torturing him are still on active duty on the island.

After being released from custody, Requena made his way over the San Pedro Lions Clinic in search of medical attention but found the clinic closed. With no other alternative, he

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## Belizeans, Stand Firm. The Time To Save Our Country Is NOW!!!

In hindsight, all that is left is for the Prime Minister to confirm to the nation that the announcement of the date for general elections in Belize was contingent on the receipt of the 20 million Belize dollars grant from Venezuelan President, Hugo Chavez, as no sooner did the government received the grant, that the date for elections was announced.

Belize is said to be a nation governed by the rule of law. With the immediate former Financial Secretary, Dr. Carla Barnett's clear explanation of the legal procedure for the handling of such windfall finances, the government appears to have thrown the books out the window as they prepare to bypass the law of the land while moving full speed ahead with using Chavez' gift in a last ditch attempt to influence the outcome of the next general elections.

The one million dollar check received by the People's United Party from a big Belizean businessman in the days leading up to the 2003 general elections, fades in comparison to this latest Chavez check.

How then we ask can the people of Belize truly trust a government that speaks about enacting campaign financing laws when, as explained by **Dr. Carla Barnett**, they are not even prepared to respect those laws that are currently on our books.

For our part, this latest undertaking has served to cast doubts in our minds as to the genuine intentions of the man we once viewed as the champion to the underprivileged, the less fortunate and the poor people of Venezuela and the region.

If Hugo Chavez was indeed concerned about acceding to the wishes of the people, as he professes, then the reasonable thing for him to have done was to await the outcome of the elections to get a feel of the uninfluenced desire of the masses before committing such a grant which is rightfully viewed by many with much skepticism and suspicion.

Given the fact that far less endowed organizations have long come to the realization that this government cannot be trusted with aid packages as demonstrated in recent

emergency situations where the government has been totally bi-passed with such aid packages going directly to disbursing organizations.

Why then we ask, if Chavez was indeed genuine in making these funds beneficial to needy Belizeans, given government's track record, why did he not instruct for the disbursement of these funds to be done through the offices of his country's resident ambassadorial staff. In the process demanding a full accounting of all disbursements thereby ensuring that the funds make a meaningful difference in the lives of its intended recipients?

Just recently we witnessed Chavez lamenting about the outcome of the December 2, 2007 referendum whereby his supporters were alleging that the United States of America expended ten million dollars which played a major role in his defeat. When taken in context with the timing of Chavez' grant to the government of Belize these lamentations, appear to be nothing more than hypocritical expressions given the fact that he is now granting a like amount that could have more far reaching impact on our small country which in terms of population is less than the size of any one of the 23 states in his country.

While we see many Belizeans scrambling to get a piece of the Venezuelan pie, this latest undertaking on the part of the Venezuelan President is leaving a bitter taste in the mouths of many Belizeans. There appears to be a the distinct impression that Hugo Chavez could care less about the wishes of the masses while caring more for Hugo Chavez the person as he seeks to cement alliance with a partner who is supportive of the Havana philosophy and more inclined to his anti-American public stance.

This general election therefore is a test for the Belizean people. Will we allow a foreign government to influence the way how we are governed or will we let politicians understand once and for all that no amount of money they give us one month before election can ever compensate for

the preceding 59 months of hardship and suffering?

Furthermore, let us be reminded that it was the late Philip Goldson who told us that the time to save our country is before we lose it.

Looking at the introduction to the government booklet, *"How we are governed"* in paragraph three it tells us *"the anti-Colonial struggle took root in a time of severe economic depression and exploitation. There was considerable poverty and unemployment. Natural Resources were extracted from the country (mahogany and chicle) and very little was put back. No economic development was taking place and the people had no voice in the governing of their country."*

That was almost sixty years ago. Does it not sound familiar to present day Belize? Do we want for future of generations of Belizean to record that *"Post Independence corruption and mismanagement gave*

*root to neo-colonialism resulting in severe economic depression and exploitation. There was considerable poverty and unemployment. Natural Resource (oil) was extracted from the country and very little was put back. No economic development was taking place and the people had no voice in the governing of their country."*

Belizeans, stand firm. The time the save our country is NOW!!!

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# STAR HUMOR

## Overheard At The Pizzeria

While having lunch last Saturday afternoon at the pizzeria down the street, I observed a man ordering a small pizza to go. He appeared to be alone and the chef asked him if he would like it cut into 4 pieces or 6

pieces.  
The man thought about it for a while before saying: “  
**Just cut it into 4 pieces; I don’t think I’m hungry enough to eat 6 pieces.”**

## Why Are We Not Feeling The Benefits

Surrounded by a team of secret police, a prime minister visited a high school in Benque Viejo Town.  
After delivering one of his routine campaign speeches, he opens the floor for questions from the students.  
Just then Jose raises his hand and asks, “**Why are we NOT feeling the benefits from all the oil that is being exported out of our country?**”  
Just as the prime minister begins to answer, the recess bell rings and he tell the students that they must return to continue afterward. Twenty five minutes later the students come

back to class.  
“*Now, let me see, where were we?*” *says the prime minister. “Oh, yes...as I was saying, do you have any questions?”*  
Another boy raises his hand and says, “**Mr. prime minister, I have three questions:**  
**First, why we NOT feeling the benefits from all the oil that is being exported out of our country?**  
**Second, why did the recess bell go off 30 minutes early?**  
**And third, where is my buddy Joe?”**

## A Lighter Look At Marriage

Getting married is very much like going to a continental restaurant with friends. You order what you want, then when you see what the other fellow has, you wish you had ordered that.  
\*\*\*\*\*  
At the cocktail party, one woman said to another, “**Aren’t you wearing your wedding ring on the wrong finger?**” The other replied, “**Yes I am, I married the wrong man.**”

Man is incomplete until he is married. Then he is really finished.  
\*\*\*\*\*  
Marriage is an institution in which a man loses his bachelor’s degree and the woman gets her master’s.  
\*\*\*\*\*  
A little boy asked his father, “**Daddy, how much does it cost to get married?**”  
And the father replied, “*I don’t*

*know, son, I’m still paying for it.”*  
\*\*\*\*\*

**Young Son:** Is it true, Dad, I heard that in some parts of Africa a man doesn’t know his wife until he marries her?  
**Dad:** That happens in most countries, son.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Then there was a man who said, “**I never knew what real happiness was until I got married; and then it was too late.**”  
\*\*\*\*\*

When a newly married man looks happy, we know why. But when a ten-year married man looks happy - we wonder why.  
\*\*\*\*\*

Married life is very frustrating. In the first year of marriage, the man speaks and the woman listens.  
In the second year, the woman speaks and the man listens.  
In the third year, they both speak and the neighbors listen.  
\*\*\*\*\*

After a quarrel, a wife said to her husband, “*You know, I was a fool when I married you.*”  
And the husband replied, “**Yes, dear, but I was in love and didn’t notice it.**”  
\*\*\*\*\*

A man inserted an ‘ad’ in the classifieds: “**Wife wanted**”.  
Next day he received a hundred letters. They all said the same thing: “**You can have mine.**”

When a man opens the door of his car for his wife, you can be sure of one thing: either the car is new or the wife.  
\*\*\*\*\*  
How do most men define marriage? A very expensive way to get your laundry done free.  
\*\*\*\*\*

The most effective way to remember your wife’s birthday is to forget it once.  
\*\*\*\*\*

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**FOR APPLICANTS IN THE SAN IGNACIO SANTA ELENA AREA**  
**DATE: Wednesday, January 23, 2008**  
**PLACE: Cultural Center, San Ignacio**  
**TIME: 9:00 a.m.**

**FOR APPLICANTS IN ALL SURROUNDING VILLAGES**  
**DATE: Thursday, January 24, 2008**  
**PLACE: Cultural Center, San Ignacio**  
**TIME: 9:00 a.m.**



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BY: K.Y.F, Santa Elena, Cayo

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Don't let the PUP buy your vote.  
Make it YOUR decision to vote.  
Think of the ten years of corruption we have endured.

We need to exercise our democratic right so our future can be secured.

Vote against the PUP and their corruption  
Belize does not need this destruction.

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Which robbed poor people and our children of their meal.

Many of our youths are unemployed  
And their lives, with guns, are being destroyed.

Lives are lost and families torn apart  
It's time for a change and a bright new start.

Think critically when you vote,  
Because this election cannot be revoked.

A vote for the UDP is a vote for redemption  
To get us out of the PUP destruction.

Belizeans, we don't need to suffer any longer  
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Belize Must Remain and Just a trickle

BY: Avette Requena

Please publish the poems "*Belize must remain*" and "*Just a trickle*" that I am dedicating to all Belizeans.

I learnt today that election is just around the corner. At the poll we can truly voice all the suffering and hardships we have been through in the last 10 years.

Belize is, by ownership, for everyone, and each has a right to enjoy it and live it to the fullest. This is the right I want Belizeans to reflect on.

My hope is that everyone who believes in prosperity, and hope for a better future will vote for people who will work for a "*Better Belize*".

Inspired by the revolt in Belmopan and Belize City due to Social Security scandal.

BELIZE MUST REMAIN

I love you too much.  
I see you being torn apart and stripped naked.  
I cry,  
I revolt,  
I hurt,

Those who lead don't understand.  
BUT BELIZE MUST REMAIN!

You who say you love it too.  
Bring forth the truth.  
I know you are scared.  
I was too.  
BUT BELIZE MUST REMAIN!

Belize crawls and bleeds;  
It wants to be saved.  
It needs to be saved.  
It must be saved.  
BECAUSE BELIZE MUST REMAIN!

You there listening to me.  
Think, Think, Think...  
Don't know who's best to salvage,  
But let those who Love it like 'LIFE',  
Be there to save it.  
BECAUSE BELIZE MUST REMAIN!

You there, standing in good faith, love-, honor-,  
Be at the forefront,  
And defend what needs you.

It stands defenseless, naked and worn,  
Waiting for you.  
BECAUSE BELIZE MUST REMAIN!

Inspired by the elections give away propaganda. Fearing that poor Belizeans are once again being taken advantage of.

IT IS JUST A TRICKLE  
It is tough to think right when you're not seeing.  
It is rough to know what is right if you are bounded,

Long have you been tied down to a meager right to survive. And those whose duty it is to make the opportunity for you  
Have not darn to care.

I hope that all those hard days remain in you,  
And have scarred you to know that just a trickle of what is yours lie in front of you.  
Don't heed to just a trickle-

All that is yours is not given,  
But lost in the past.  
Just the little cannot make it now!  
For all you are worth-  
Think past and future.

Don't think that drippings is what you deserve,  
Everything they have had and will continue to have, Is left to how great you think of yourself.  
Have dignity!  
You are worth more.

My true Belizean, - Those who take away your right to be successful  
deserve nothing.

They have lost their dignity of what a true Belizean is.  
Don't carry that sack.  
It is not worth it!

Think right and without a bind,  
See all that is left to be multiplied.

Be intelligent for yourself,  
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## VIP Demands Immediate Public Apology From Channel 5

**BY: Hubert Enriquez, In Service To Belize, Secretary General VIP (Vision Inspired By The People) BELMOPAN, Thursday, January 10, 2008:**

In your evening newscast on January 9, 2008, the following statement was aired: *“Most observers say the chances of any VIP candidate actually winning a seat are near zero, but in a close constituency race any votes cast for a VIP could swing the election to one of the major party candidates.”*

Shame on you for cowardly hiding your own opinion behind the label *“most observers”*. The VIP hereby reminds you of your responsibility to report in a fair and impartial manner.

By airing such a baseless, insensitive, biased and irresponsible statement, your news has unduly influenced the electorate and may cause serious damage to the image of VIP candidates.

Our candidates hereby demand an immediate public apology from your news desk.

## The Comment That Sparked The VIP Reaction

*“An eleventh candidate, Nikita Gideon, is slated to run for the V.I.P. in the Fort George Division, but she failed to show up at this morning’s event. Most observers say the chances of any V.I.P. candidate actually winning a seat are near zero, but in a close constituency race any votes cast*

*for a V.I.P. could swing the election to one of the major party candidates.*

*This scenario could most likely play out in Belmopan where party chairman Paul Morgan stands a good chance of earning a significant minority of votes.”*

## LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **MARIA MOLINA** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **LAS ROSAS RESTAURANT & BAR** located in San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ETHLIN ROBATEAU** is applying for the renewal of her **BEER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **LIN’S FAST FOOD** located on Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **DORITA GUERRA** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **CEVICHELAS** located at #27 Burns Street, Benque Viejo Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ANAMARIE SUTTON** is applying for the renewal of her **NIGHTCLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **COCOPELE** located on Hudson Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ERVIN MORALES** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **BIKINI BOTTOM BAR** located in the Kontiki Extension Area, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **BEVIN & MIKE WRIGHT** is applying for the renewal of their **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **COHUNE PALMS RIVER CABANAS** located in Bullet Tree Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **MARIA PRESTON** is applying for the renewal of her **BEER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **MIDAS RESORT** located on the Branch Mouth Road in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **GRAHAM & LINDA JEAL** is applying for the renewal of their **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **JAMANJI’S** located at Mile 60 on the Western Highway in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SANDRO VALENCIO** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **BLANCANEAUX LODGE** located at Mountain Pine Ridge in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SAUL LISBEY** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **CABANA DEL SOL** located in the village of Bullet Tree Falls in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **MARTITA CHUN** is applying for the renewal of her **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **M & R MINI SHOP** located at #5 Santa Teresa Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SAN IGNACIO RESORT HOTEL** is applying for the renewal of their **NIGHTCLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **SAN IGNACIO RESORT HOTEL** located on Buena Vista Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **EDGAR GARRIDO** is applying for the renewal of his **NIGHTCLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **CLUB BENQUE ROCK** located on Baron Bliss Street, Benque Viejo Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **PHYLLIS LANE** is applying for the renewal of her **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **THE FOX CLUB** located on George Price Avenue, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CARLOS MANZANERO** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **XUNAN BAR** located in San Jose Succotz in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JONATHAN CARIDDI** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **LIL GREEDY’S** located at #34 Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

## In Memoriam

In Loving Memory Of



**Hazel McDonald Crawford**

**SUNRISE: March 11, 1919**

**SUNSET: January 14, 2003**

### MISSING MAMMA

By: Corky Ferguson

The sun came up this morning; It wasn’t very bright.  
My dark mood cast a shadow;  
It’s hard to see the light.

We all have just one mother  
And, now that her life on earth is done,  
The emptiness and loss I feel  
Make it hard to see the sun.

Tomorrow is a brand new day;  
May the pain and sadness lighten.  
I will remember all her love,  
And then the sky will brighten.

Gone is not forgotten;  
Her love remains behind;  
She’s traveled in a new direction -  
Love knows no space or time.

I will always love her.  
She will care for me from above.  
She will send me starlight and rainbows  
To remind me of her love.

*Sadly missed by children: Hubert, Gilbert, Penny and Alma.  
Grandchildren,  
Great-grandchildren, Sisters,  
Brother, Relatives and Friends.*

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **MICHAEL SALAZAR** is applying for a **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **ILLUSION BAR** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CRUZ GAMEZ** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **D’ATTIC** located on Hudson Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **MARIE CONTRERAS** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **MARIE’S RESTAURANT & BAR** located on George Price Avenue, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **BULENT YUSLYURT** is applying for the renewal of his **NIGHTCLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **PRINCESS CASINO** located on Buena Vista Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ELMA AWE** is applying for the renewal of her **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **CARMELITA’S SALOON** located on Independence Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **RONALD OTTEN** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **ADANAS KABAB RESTAURANT** located in the Savannah Area, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.



Belizean Youth Charged With Jacking Guatemalan Butane Businessman

DANGRIGA, Thursday, January 10, 2008:

Lawrence Bernardez, 19, Belizean laborer from the Rivas Estate Area of Dangriga Town was today arrested and issued with three charges for the crimes of robbery, wounding and use of deadly means of harm.

Today’s arrest came three days after Guatemalan butane businessman, Marine Lucas, 51, of a George Price Drive Address in Dangriga visited the police station and reported that at about 9:30 a.m., on Monday, January 7, whilst driving on George Price Drive in the vicinity of the office of the Belize Electricity Limited, he was stopped by a young



The accused, Lawrence Bernardez, 19

male person of dark complexion whom he suspected to be around 15

LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ESTELLA CANO is applying for the renewal of her MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate HERMANITOS CANO located in Buena Vista Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that EDDIE & SHARON SHISH is applying for the renewal of their PUBLICANSPECIALLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate LA PLAZA MAYA located in San Jose Succotz in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that AZUCENA GALVEZ is applying for the renewal of his RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate CLARISSA FALLS located at Mile 70 on the Western Highway in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that QUING JIE ZHU is applying for the renewal of his RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate CHINESE RESTAURANT located in the Santiago Juan Layout Area in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that EMERITO SHISH is applying for the renewal of his PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate MAYA VISTA RESORT located in San Jose Succotz in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that DA HUANG CHEN is applying for the renewal of his SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate HIGHWAY SUPERMARKET located at #21 Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that GARY PRESTON is applying for the renewal of his PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate PIT PAN TAVERN located in the Savannah Area, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that CARLOS MONTALVAN is applying for the renewal of his MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate his Bar located in Blackman Eddy Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that TARCISIO COC is applying for the renewal of his MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate SOUTH SIDE COOL SPOT located in the village of San Antonio in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that GEORGE & SHIRLEY DEVASSY is applying for the renewal of their MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate SOUTH INDIAN RESTAURANT located on West Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that JONATHAN CARIDDI is applying for a MALT & CIDERLIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate MR. GREEDY’S PIZZERIA located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that RICHARD MEINTS is applying for the renewal of his PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate GARDEN OF EVE located in the Central Farm Area in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that NARCISA ORELLANA is applying for the renewal of her MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate SIERRA FRIENDS located on the Bradley’s Bank Road, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ELSER GONZALEZ is applying for the renewal of his PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate EL RESBALLON located in Los Tambos Village in the Cayo District.

years of age. The boy reportedly told Lucas that he needed butane gas in the Lakeland Area. He boarded the vehicle with Lucas driving towards the specified area. However, instead of going to Lakeland, the boy directed him to Rivas Estate to first pick up a butane tank. Complying with the boy’s instructions, Lucas drove to a back street in the Rivas Estate Area where he was reportedly attacked by an older male person, armed with a knife, dressed in full black clothing and wearing a black mask over his face. Lucas emerged from the attack with four stab wounds to both shoulders and back and without the cash he was carrying reportedly amounting to between nine hundred and a thousand Belize dollars in cash.

LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that MARY REYMUNDO is applying for the renewal of her RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate SHANS RESTAURANT & BAR located on Almond Lane, Benque Viejo Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ENDER HACIPOGLU is applying for the renewal of his PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate THE BAR located at #87 Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that EVELYN BANNER is applying for the renewal of her RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate SUPERDOME located at #1 Wyatt Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ROSA ACCUARDI is applying for the renewal of her RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate FIRENZA CAFE located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that HERNAN OCHAETA is applying for the renewal of his BEER LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate HANG OUT EL CHE located in the Savannah Area, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ZENY CARLITA MIS is applying for the renewal of her RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate LAS VEGAS RESTAURANT located at #74 Church Street, Benque Viejo Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that DAWN ARNOLD is applying for the renewal of her MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate PALM’S DINER located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that MIRNA SANTOS is applying for the renewal of her PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate HIDEAWAY RESTAURANT & BAR located in the New Area of Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ELVIRA ESPAT is applying for the renewal of her MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate ELVIRA’S DINER & GUESTHOUSE located on #16 Cor. Far West Street and Bullet Tree Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ALBERTO LEAL is applying for the renewal of his MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate EL MANANTIAL located on 18<sup>th</sup> Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that AMELIA REID is applying for the renewal of her RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate LEO BAR located Georgeville Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ANA SUTTON is applying for the renewal of her MALT & CIDERLIQUORLICENSE for the year 2008 to operate CLUB VIETNAM located at Mount Hope, Unitedville Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that DARLENE LANDERO is applying for the renewal of her PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate FRISKY FROG located in Santa Familia Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that PERLA MAZA & ROSALILIA CASTILLO is applying for the renewal of their PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate PERLA & ROSES GYM REFRESHMENT PALOUR located on Carillo Puerto Avenue, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that NANCY WAIGHT is applying for the renewal of her PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate JOE’S COOL CLUB located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

# First Caribbean International Bank Pledges \$60,000 to Youth Business Trust Belize

On Wednesday January 9th, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the Brown Sugar Marketplace, where YBTB held its first official fundraiser, First Caribbean International Bank's Manager Stephen Duncan pledged his bank's commitment to Youth Business Trust Programs not only in Belize but throughout the Caribbean. The commitment of \$20,000.00 will again be delivered in 2009 and 2010 as a three year commitment totaling \$60,000.00. Duncan then challenged others present to support the program for Belize's Youth and economic growth. Edward Musa Sr took the challenge and pledged \$25,000.00 from the Employer's Association of Belize who also sees the benefits of youth development toward poverty and crime alleviation. This money will be used to bridge the counterpart

funding gap for the programme.

Two hundred Belizeans including young entrepreneurs, mentors, partners, the Prime Minister of Belize, Clergy, Opposition, Diplomatic Corp and socially conscious persons living in Belize witnessed one of the most spectacular displays of youth enterprise development at work at the Youth Business Trust Belize Partners celebration.

Youth Business Trust Belize is a program offering young persons between the ages of 18-35 assistance in starting their own businesses. The program offers loan financing, training and the most important component mentoring which guides the young persons business on the road to success.

Those who pledged their commitment to the program

commitment being funded by the Inter American Development Bank have made a serious investment for the future of Belize. The program follows the Youth Business International Model started by the Prince of Wales and has following such as Nelson Mandela who is the Head of the South African Youth Trust.

The event included launch of a video prepared by a young entrepreneur on the program, introductions to the Board headed by Chairman Shaun Finnetty, Introduction to the Board of Patrons headed by Dean Boyce, Introduction to partners' supporters, mentors and young entrepreneurs in the program. Special guest was Marcia Brandon Executive Director of Barbados Youth Business Trust who has launched over 300 businesses and 800 new jobs in

Barbados and is the Regional Coordinator for the Programs in Belize, Barbados, Trinidad and Guyana.

Of course no celebration would be complete without entertainment provided by the Pantempts Steel Band, The Harbour View Jazz Trio and a feast fit for a king by Edgar Young's Pibil Production.

YBTB thanks all who supported and attended the event especially our **volunteer Board and Board of Patrons, the media, its partners such as Inter American Development Bank, First Caribbean International Bank, Belize Employers Association, and the British High Commission. Peace Corp Belize, Belize Telemedia, Rotary Clubs, Love FM, CSB, Belize Unit Trust, CitiTrust Belize, UNDP, BCCI, Row Kids and BTIA.**

## PRISONER SHOT DEAD TRYING TO ESCAPE

**LADYVILLE, Kolbe Foundation, Monday, January 14, 2008:**

Sometime around 8:00 a.m. today, Police personnel were called to the Kolbe Foundation in Hattieville where

they were informed by prison officials that a prisoner had been shot after escaping.

Initial investigations reveal that Freddy Harris, 30, who was on

remand for Dangerous Harm escaped from prison guards sometime around 8:00 this morning and as a result, Prison Officials fired several shots, one of which caught Harris in the region of his upper buttocks.

Harris was transported to the KMH where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Police are investigating.

### LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CARLA MARIE IRELAND** is applying for the renewal of her **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **IRELAND'S GROCERY** located in Blackman Eddy Village in the Cayo District.



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# People Please Stand Up

I feel deeply for **former Prime Minister George Price** whom I have known since I was a child.

Mr. Price taught us to live by our color as if it was our religion. You born blue, you die blue. You born Catholic, you die Catholic.

He took us from Colonialism to Independence. He had a vision for Belize. He took care of his people. The new PUP has take Mr. Price’s vision and thrown it in the gutter and stomped on it.

**Mr. Musa**, you and your cronies don’t deserve our vote! You don’t love the Belizean people like Mr. Price

did cause if you did, we would have good hospitals where our children could be born. The Belmopan Regional Hospital is a JOKE!

Just take a look at the government buildings in Belmopan, they are dirty and filthy. It;s no wonder public officers are demoralized.

FREE textbooks for our children - What a joke- Do you think that because people are poor, they are equally stupid. Well guess what, we might be poor but we are certainly not stupid!

**Mr. Barrow**, you talk about accountability but I don’t see your

party practicing it, Why? If you are not accountable now, how will you be accountable when you get in!

I for one am voting Independent. I am not going to change my color. I am not going to vote color. I am going to vote Independent.

I want what’s best for Belize and not what best for THE PARTY.

Belize has always been a melting pot of races, it’s time for our house to be as mixedas our blood then maybe we will get some balance.

*Mary Cariddi, Santa Elena,Cayo*

# Belizean Mechanic Turned U.S Visa Con Artist

**BELIZE CITY, Friday, January 11, 2008:**

Belize City Police have arrested a Belize City mechanic and are charging him with at least two counts of obtaining property by deception.

In the first instance, **Bernard Williams**, 48, of a Faber’s Road address in Belize City, reported that in the month of October 2005, about 9:00 pm whilst standing at the corner of Mapp Street and Freetown Road, Belize City, he was approached by a male person who introduced himself as **“LINTON”**. Williams informed that Linton told him that he works for the United States Embassy and that he owns a company in the United States of America and could easily get a United States Visa for him.

Williams surrendered his Belizean passport, his birth certificate and \$220.00 Bcy in cash.

Linton then promised to get the visa in a week’s time; however the time passed and Linton did not return with the visa nor the passport. Williams then learnt that Linton was staying at the North Front Street



**Berisford Castillo, 62**

Guest House, situated on North Front Street, Belize City, so he went to visit him. Linton asked for an additional time to produce the visa. Williams agreed but Linton did not returned with the visa or the passport.

Williams again visited the North Front Street Guest House looking for Linton, where he was informed by the owner that the guest is still in possession of the room keys but hasn’t been seen for awhile.

In a similar case, 62 year old **Annis Milas**, Food Vendor of Ceasar Ridge Road, Belize City, reported that sometime in the month

of October 2005, she also surrendered her passport, birth certificate and \$220.00 Bcy in cash to Linton in order to get a U.S.A. Visa, However the time pass and Linton did not returned with the visa or the passport.

Williams and Milas visited the North Front Street Guest House where the owner gained access to Linton’s room and found a black bag. When the bag was opened it was found to contain documents belonging to both Williams and Milas.

Police were then contacted and the investigation have since led to the

arrest of **Berisford Castillo**, 62, Belizean mechanic. He was positively identified by both victims as being the same Linton.

Castillo has since been charged for two counts of Obtaining Property by Deception.

The police are asking anyone who might have fallen victim to a con artist posing as an agent of the US Embassy to please visit the Police Station and make an official report.

Police believe that a number of people might have suffered the same fate as Williams and Milas. These people are urged to file a report.

# LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **VINCENTE MAS** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICANSPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **LA ISLA DE TENTACIONES** located at 23rd Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ENRIQUE LANZA** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **THE XUNANTUNICHINN** located in the village of San Jose Succotz in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **EMILIO CASTILLO** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICANSPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **DIANA’s** located on Carmen Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JULIET EDWARDS** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **MOE J’S** located at #116 Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **AL SATTLER** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **CASA MAYA RESORT** located at Mile 68 1/2 on the Western Highway in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JOSEPH BRADLEY** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **SANTIAGO CASTILLO LTD. CAYO WAREHOUSE** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town, Cayo.

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The Association of Tertiary Level Institutions in Belize (ATLIB) advises all prospective applicants to junior colleges and universities that the deadline for late registration for the 2008 ATLIB Placement Examination is **January 18, 2008.**

The ATLIB Placement Examination will take place on **Friday, February 29, 2008.**

All persons wishing to enroll in tertiary institutions in Belize **MUST** sit the ATLIB EXAM.

Candidates can register through **any** high school/District Education Center. The registration fee is **Thirty dollars (\$30.00).** **This is non – refundable.**

**Please note that there will be NO Walk-ins for the Examination this year.** This means that if a student does **not register** for the Exam by **January 18, 2008**, he/she will **not be allowed** to sit the exam.

Most ATLIB Institutions require this exam for placement into their first year Mathematics and English courses, including the Primary Education Program.

REGISTRATION CAN ALSO BE PROCESSED AT THESE LOCATIONS

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Ecumenical Junior College

Galen University

Sacred Heart Junior College

San Pedro Junior College

Wesley Junior College

Muffles Junior College

Deadline for late registration is **Friday, January 18, 2008.**

Further information can be obtained from the Examination Coordinator.

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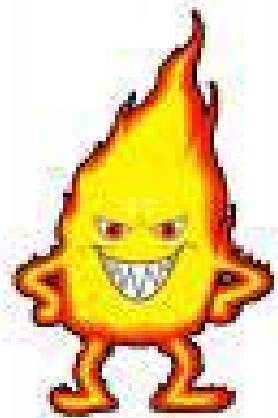


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## THE MOTHER OF ALL POLICE BRUTALITY

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went home but the pain did not allow  
him much rest.

The following morning he made the  
journey to Belize City, first stopping  
at the Raccoon Street Police Station  
where he was directed, by ACP Allen  
Whyllie, to the Police Internal Affairs  
Unit to file a report. He was issued  
with a pair of Medico Legal forms  
and was directed to seek medical  
attention at the Karl Heusner  
Memorial Hospital where the injuries  
was classified as wounding.

After receiving attention at the  
KMH in Belize City, Requena  
traveled to San Ignacio and on the  
following day, January 3, he sought  
medical attention at Dr. Godoy's  
private clinic.

Today, almost two weeks after his  
near death experience with San Pedro  
Police, Requena is still having a hard  
time getting rest as he is unable to  
sleep on his back, belly, left and right  
side of his body.

The station was temporarily held  
over by veteran Police Sergeant  
#358 Leslie Wade while Inspector  
Dennis Arnold made his way up  
from Punta Gorda Town where he

was serving as Deputy Commander  
of the Toledo (Police) District.

Inspector Arnold spent his first day  
as the new O.C San Pedro Police on  
Monday, January 14, 2008.

Requena has since enlisted the legal  
services of Attorney Hubert  
Elrington SC whom we were told  
will leave no stones unturned in  
pursuit of justice.

During almost 11 years of service  
in the Police Department, Humberto  
Patt was, in 2003 posted as a desk  
officer at Police Special Branch  
Headquarters in Belmopan. Prior to  
being posted in San Pedro he also  
served as Staff Officer in the office of  
Deputy Commissioner of Police  
Maureen Leslie.

The next senior policeman, Cpl.  
#449 Frank Garcia, in 2003 was  
serving as Chief Clerk at Police  
Headquarters in Belmopan.

Although he is originally from Santa  
Elena, Cayo, Ryan Requena, has  
been working in San Pedro Town for  
almost four years. At the time of the  
incident, he was employed, for almost  
two years, as an assistant chef at the  
popular Wild Mangos Restaurant on  
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