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VELASQUEZ AND VASQUEZ SENTENCED TO SPEND THE NEXT 6 1/2 YEARS IN JAIL

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Monday, January 26, 2009:

The crime occurred over three years ago. Initial investigation led to the arrest of four Santa Elena men. The trial ended last week with the conviction and sentencing of two of them.

On October 27, 2005, **Oscar Chapeau**, 63 at the time, reported to San Ignacio Police that he and a Chinese female companion were attacked and robbed whilst at his River Walk Farm located across from Floral Park, at mile 63 on the Western Highway.

In a statement to the police, Chapeau reported that the items stolen included a gold and diamond ring valued at \$10,000., one computer and accessories valued at



Reymundo "Mundo" Vasquez, 22

\$800., one black Nokia telephone valued at \$400., one green jacket valued at \$300., one Seiko brand

wrist watch valued at \$250., one brown leather wallet valued at \$25., one Belize Driver's Permit valued at \$20., one \$20. telephone card and \$1,500., in cash, all for a total value of \$13,315.

The report also included allegations of the attempt rape of the Chinese woman.

Swift police investigation led to the arrest of **Reymundo "Mundo" Vasquez**, **Nelson Velasquez**, **Luis Castellanos** and **Mark Trapp Gentle**.

When the case was first heard in San Ignacio's magistrate court it was submitted for trial on indictment in the Supreme Court but as the matter proceeded, it was subsequently reverted to the magistrate court for summary trial.

After several adjournments the case was set for hearing on January 23, 2009. With all four

defendants pleading not guilty to charges of robbery, wounding and harm, the trial proceeded as scheduled and after hearing arguments from the defense and the prosecution, **Magistrate Harrison Hulett**, deputizing for **Magistrate Kathleen Lewis**, found two of the defendants, **Reymundo "Mundo" Vasquez** and **Nelson Velasquez** guilty for the crimes of robbery, wounding and harm.

The other defendants **Luis Castellanos** and **Mark Trapp Gentle** were acquitted of all charges. All four accused persons were undefended in court.

Velasquez and Vasquez were consequently sentenced to 5 years for robbery, 1 year for wounding and 6 months for harm. Magistrate Hulett ordered that the sentences are to run consecutively for a total of 6 1/2 years imprisonment.

Tourist Turned Community Volunteer

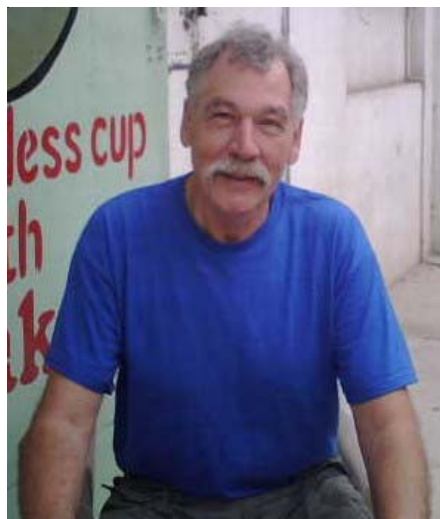
SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Wednesday, January 28, 2009:

He landed in Belize as a tourist on January 5, 2009, but after being in the country for only two weeks he caught up with a foreign team engaged in community construction projects.

Robert "Bob" Davis is an American national from Wisconsin USA. He is on his second trip to Belize. His first visit was over 14 years ago, in 1994.

We met him over the weekend at Pop's Restaurant on West Street in San Ignacio Town and what an interesting story he had to offer.

He told us that he spent his first week at a guest house in San

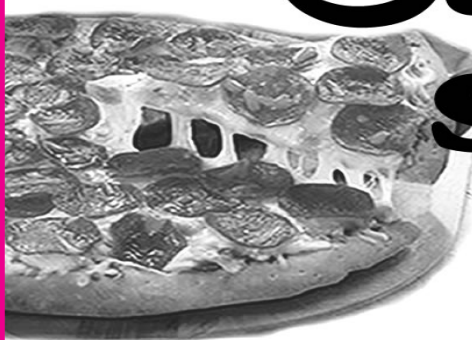


Robert "Bob" Davis

Ignacio after which he moved over the bridge to the Aguada Hotel on La Loma Luz Boulevard in Santa

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Mr. Greedy's Pizzeria



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Belizean Man Found Dead In Melchor, Guatemala

MELCHOR DE MENCOS, Peten, Guatemala, Monday, January 26, 2009:

Another Belizean is dead in the neighboring Western border community of Melchor De Mencos, Peten, Guatemala.

Our investigation revealed that it was shortly after 9:00 p.m., on Friday, January 24, when Guatemalan firemen and policemen from the Policia Nacional Civil (PNC) responded to reports of a man on the ground near the Puerta Negra (Black Door) Bar in Melchor.

According to Guatemalan law, under these circumstances, permission must be obtained from a local judge for the removal of a body.

When the required permission was obtained, the body was transported to the nearby hospital where it was pronounced dead and identified as that of Belizean, **Johnny Cal**, 31 from the village of San Jose Succotz.

Belizean authorities at the



The Deceased, Johnny Cal, 31

Western Border as well as Benque Viejo police were informed of the incident. The mother of the deceased traveled to Melchor where she positively identified the deceased as her son. At around 2:30 p.m., the following day, she crossed the border with her son's body.

We traveled to La Puerta Negra in Melchor where we spoke to the manager of the establishment "**Nelson**". He informed that the deceased is a regular patron of the establishment and that he had visited the bar earlier that Friday evening where he drank a liter of beer and left without incident.

He said that, contrary to media reports, the incident did not take place inside the bar and that as a matter of fact, he was the first person to come upon the man on the ground about 25 feet outside the bar.

According to the Manager, he exited the bar, as he normally does when on duty, just to keep track of what his happening on the outside as with the loud music inside, it is often difficult to keep abreast of what is happening outside and so he make regular checks. It was

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BELIZE TOURISM BOARD BTB TOURISM NEWS

CARIBBEAN CUISINE CULINARY TRAINING WORKSHOP

The Belize Tourism Board in collaboration with the Organization of American States is inviting Hotel and Restaurant (Professional) Cooks and Chefs to participate in a Caribbean Cuisine Culinary Training Workshop facilitated by The Culinary Institute of America.

Venue: Institute for Technical and Vocational Educational Training (ITVET) on St. Thomas Street in Belize City
Date: February 9th – 14th, 2009

Topics to be covered

- Food Presentation
- Menu Planning
- Use of local ingredients
- Accompaniments and garnishes
- Vegetarian Cuisine
- Food preparation to contemporary "table cloth" dining standards

Benefit of CCC Workshop

- This program is designed to address the incorporation of local ingredients in Caribbean Cuisine as well as focus on the most delectable ways of presenting food to maximize the value of the dining experience.



The fee for the program is BZ\$200.00. All are encouraged to come into the Belize Tourism Board to register and make payments. **SPACES ARE LIMITED** therefore we will only accept registration upon payment and will fill spaces on a first come first serve basis
Deadline to apply: Wednesday February 4th, 2009

Kindly be advised that only persons employed by a licensed Hotels and bonafied Restaurants are eligible for qualification.

For more information and/or registering please contact:

Ms. Romy Haylock, Product Development Officer – Belize Tourism Board
Tel: 227-2420 ext: 230 E-mail: romy@travelbelize.org



SUSTAINABLE TOURISM PROGRAM

Terms of Reference

for

Project Director,

Project Coordinating Unit (PCU)



DUTY STATION: Belize
PROJECT NAME: Sustainable Tourism Program
PROJECT NO.: BL-L1003
OPERATION NO.: 2060/OC-BL

I. BACKGROUND

The Belize Sustainable Tourism Program is a response to challenges that must be faced if Belize's tourism sector is to grow in a manner that is economically, environmentally and socially sustainable. The intention is to strengthen the sector's contribution to the national economy by consolidating the overnight tourism market with investments and activities along three inter-related fronts: (i) enhancing the tourism experience and resource sustainability at consolidated destinations subject to pressure; (ii) diversifying tourism products in emerging destinations for the overnight market segment; and (iii) strengthening tourism institutions for policy, destination planning and management. The project is being funded by the Government of Belize and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) through a loan of US\$13.322M.

II. OBJECTIVES

The objective of this consultancy is to lead the IDB-funded *Sustainable Tourism Program* towards the achievement of its objectives and indicators and oversee the execution of the Project and the day-to-day running of the Project's activities.

III. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POSITION

Starting Date and Duration: The Project Director shall be employed by the program for a four year period, starting on the date of contract signing. The contract shall be renewable on an annual basis based on performance.

Duties: The Project Director will be responsible for the overall management of the Project Coordinating Unit. Specific duties will include: (1) the planning and coordination of all aspects of program implementation; (2) monitoring of results and report preparation; (3) procurement in accordance with the agreed procurement plan; (4) disbursement of program resources; (5) coordination with the Bank and other relevant stakeholders.

Reporting Arrangements: The Project Director will report for contractual purposes to the Director of Tourism of the Belize Tourism Board.

Place of Work: The Project Director will work from an office provided the Belize Tourism Board in Belize City, Belize. Field trips are expected to take place throughout the country for the project duration.

Qualifications: The Project Director shall have a professional degree in Tourism Management, Environmental Science, Engineering, Business Administration, or related disciplines. Post graduate education in areas relevant to Tourism, such as, Sustainable Tourism Management and/or Destination Management is a plus. Previous professional experience in tourism-related projects is mandatory. In addition, he/she shall have at least five years experience in project management. Previous experience with projects from international funding agencies would be an asset. He/she must exhibit leadership qualities, strong interpersonal and communications skills and fluency in English. Fluency in Spanish and competency in computer software would be an asset.

IV. ACTIVITIES

1. The Project Director shall oversee all project activities, according to the Results Framework, the project operating regulations, the policy directives from the Government of Belize in accordance with the loan agreement. She/He will review all documentation relating to the project, in particular the Program Operation Manual for the Loan Agreement, and shall undertake work on the project in accordance with the Program Operation Manual, Annual Work Plans and IDB procurement policies.
2. The Project Director will manage the implementation of the Program including support for the recruitment, as well as management and supervision of personnel within the Project Coordinating Unit and consultants, in accordance with Bank procedures and after obtaining approval in accordance with the Operational Manual and the Bank. The Project Director will ensure the rational and transparent use of project funds in order to achieve project goals, establishing the necessary controls for its appropriate use, registration, and reporting to the Belize Tourism Board as Executing Agency and to the Inter-American Development Bank.
3. The Project Director will produce an Annual Work Plan and Procurement Plan with a detailed budget and schedule of activities based on the Results Framework and obtaining approval in accordance with the Program Operation Manual. The Project Director will be responsible for the monitoring of progress on a regular basis.
4. He/She will undertake the following:
 - Confirm to the appropriate instructions which will be issued by the Executing Agencies.
 - Represent the Project in its relationships with the IDB and third parties;
 - Prepare or oversee the preparation and presentation of all necessary administrative, technical and financial submissions for the Bank and the Project Steering Committee;
 - Serve as secretary of the Project Steering Committee;
 - Manage and monitor all project implementation activities on a daily basis;
 - Organize and convene project meetings;
 - Conduct stakeholder meetings and coordination activities among and between stakeholders as needed;
 - Submit a monthly report to the Project Steering Committee including activities undertaken and challenges to be addressed with recommendations for action;
 - Produce progress and final project reports; and
 - Prepare and submit post-project recommendations to the Government of Belize through the Ministry of Tourism & Civil Aviation and the Belize Tourism Board for follow up action.
 - Serve as facilitator for project related meetings and consultations with stakeholders.
 - Co-ordinate Public Relations efforts on behalf of the Sustainable Tourism Program.
 - Any other responsibilities that may be assigned to ensure the successful implementation of the Sustainable Tourism Program.

In the implementation of these responsibilities the Project Director may be assisted by the staff of the BTB or other such public officers or other persons as may be appointed or designated for the purpose.

5. The Project Director will prepare the following reports:
 - Initial work plan: Within two weeks of contract signing, an initial work plan with a detailed schedule of activities for the first year of implementation. The Project Director will also finalize the Program Operational Manual in consultation with the Belize Tourism Board and the Project Steering Committee
 - Subsequent Annual Work Plans, with a detailed schedule of activities for that particular year and an overall schedule that leads to successful implementation within the specified four year time frame.
 - Progress Reports: Semi-annual progress reports, to follow a pre-approved Bank format, due on January 31 and July 31 of each year detailing the (i) financial performance, (ii) breakdown of projects completed and findings on maintenance of civil works, (iii) findings on monitoring of environmental impacts and implementation of mitigation measures, and (iv) an analysis of problems encountered and steps taken to resolve them, and a plan of activities for the next period.
 - Quarterly Financial Reports: Progress reports, to follow a pre approved Bank format, due on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year detailing the expenditure for the previous period, problems found and how they were dealt with, and projected expenditure for the next quarter.
 - Final Report: a final report within 3 months of the end of execution of the program to follow a pre-approved bank format, including (i) the development of the program, lessons learned, conclusions reached and recommendations.
 - Annexes of all reports shall include an execution chronogram.

V. PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The Project Director will be paid a monthly salary during the contract period, at a rate to be negotiated during contracting.

VI. COORDINATION

The Project Director shall work in close coordination with the Belize Tourism Board, Project Steering Committee, the Ministry of Tourism and the staff of the Project Co-ordination Unit.

VII. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

Curriculum vitae along with two (2) references are to be submitted to the Director of Tourism, Belize Tourism Board, P.O. Box 325, Belize City, Belize, no later than 12 noon on Friday, February 13th, 2009

**For more information contact the Belize Tourism Board at
 Tel: 227-2420 ext 255 or visit our website www.travelbelize.org**



Readers Write



Let's Not Wait For A Tragedy

Dear Editor;

Daily hundreds of pedestrians brave traffic hazards on the Western Highway from the Loma Luz Boulevard junction to the Hawkesworth Bridge. It is high time an appropriate sidewalk together with pedestrian crossings be built, to accomodate increasing foot traffic with a safety zone.

Additional traffic officers would also be needed to assist at key crossings for school children especially at lunchtime and for the

issuing of tickets for violators of traffic laws.

In this manner a more controlled flow of traffic will be implemented at the same time collecting needed funds for the town council.

Lets not wait for a trajedy to occur before action is taken. We must bear in mind that it can happen to anyone at anytime, being either a driver or a pedestrian. Thank you

Nicacio "Nic" Gonzalez,
Santa Elena, Cayo

Forgotten And Abandoned In Kontiki, Cayo

Dear Editor,

Two national elections ago, many people in the Cayo North Division, including those that live in the Kontiki Area, went to the polls and cast their vote for Brother Les.

What a mistake we made. Even though this man lived in Kontiki area, he virtually abandoned us. He not only failed us as our representative, but did nothing to maintain or improve conditions in our part of town.

The only time we would see a grader around here to fix roads was when the road to his house was bad. Then the grader would show up and only fix the two roads that led to his house.

Fed up with being ignored by Brother Les, we were glad when the last national elections came around. For his failure as our representative, we voted the PUP out and voted for Mr. Fernandez.

The UDP won and we welcomed the change hoping that things would improve in Kontiki.

We were so wrong. Like Brother Les, the Hon. Fernandez has also forgotten and abandoned us in Kontiki.

Since elections we have had tropical storms and rain storms that have made our already bad dirt roads even worse. And only once has a grader been sent to do some repairs to them.

Like before too, the grader has only worked on two roads (ironically, the same ones that go by Brother Les house). It makes me wonder if the Hon. Fernandez is on top of things in Kontiki or if the same man from the Ministry of Works is allowed to make sure that Bro. Les contiues to remain comfortable.

Several of us out here have cars, not only Bro. Les. We can barely drive our cars down our street because they are in such deplorable condition.

Even some of our neighbours

with 4X4 vehicles have a hard time driving to their houses when it rains.

Surely the Hon. Fernandez could request that the Ministry of Works send their grader out here to level our streets.

The town board elections are coming very soon. We would like to remind Mr. Fernandez that when area representatives forget and abandon us in Kontiki, we let them know of their failure on election day.

Joe Card,
Kontiki Area, Cayo.

Politics And The Law Should Not Be Mixed

Dear Editor,

Thank you for allowing me a space in our Twin Town's **STAR Newspaper**. My intention in writing this piece is by no means to find argument for any back and forth on any particular topic, but to define and suggest recommendations for our Twin Towns forward movement as a vital part of our country's success.

My concern, as it is with many people that have made comment, is the POLICE CITIZEN SPECIAL CONSTABLES (PSCs).

First, I must applaud this idea. Anything that can help with the delivery of justice, on the side of the law is a plus in the society we live in - kudos to the Police for this important element of having private citizens help to provide us a safer community.

On the other hand, I believe that the process or criteria used to choose the people that are given the power to defend the law on our behalf, is flawed or perhaps, those in the position of choosing those PSCs have not proven that they can choose the most responsible people among us for this very important responsibility.

By no means are we saying that the system is flawed as far as the idea goes. But we are suggesting that the criteria need to be revisited because of some of the choices that we have seen. From talking to people who have had some qualms with (at least) a couple of the recently appointed PSCs, the general feeling is that, **these individuals could use the law as a weapon against the very same citizens they are given the opportunity to protect.**

One potential case may be that a **PSC may not have the decent ability to be objective when dealing with particular situations;** a problem that could be decently dealt with could mushroom into something obnoxious where the REAL Police would have to then step in – making the citizenry morale with Police confidence deplete even

more.

A second suggestion would be to **investigate the past records (Police and other) of all individuals desirous of becoming PSC's.** If a person expressing an interest of becoming a Special Constable has a criminal police record, then he/she should be denied this important position even if he/she was absolved – the main element in this situation is the amount of problems that this person has had to deal with. It could appear that these individuals have the power of the law to use as a weapon against the ***"people that don't like him/her"***.

Citizens have also, very admirably, condemned any political intervention in pointing out or requesting on who should become a Special Constable as it is done with Justice's of the Peace, where there is another dramatic disappointment as politicians have flooded the streets with JP's many who don't even know their role in that honorable position - see the "fees" for the "honorable" work they do. (This is for another writing of course)

It is the hope of this writer that citizens will observe some of the occurrences in the twin towns and through this type of writing, think of options and opportunities that will make our towns safer and more prosperous.

We should agree that the criteria be changed as far as how and who we choose our Special Constables for our protection with the law. We can also agree that using the law as a weapon against law-abiding citizens is an appalling strategy that will come about when there is no objectivity in the people we choose for these positions.

Lastly, we can also agree that politics and this sacred area of the law should not be mixed as this is capable of corrupting the foundations of peace and justice that all citizens hope to share in our Belizean society.

With community first,
Joe Awe, San Ignacio

BELIZE TOURISM BOARD

TOURISM NEWS

The BTB Announces Tour Guide Certificate Course

The Belize Tourism Board wishes to inform all interested Belizeans of the commencement of enrollment for Tour Guide Training. The course, being offered by the University of Belize, is designed to train participants in both theoretical and practical techniques of the profession. Classes will now include basic swimming, snorkeling and boating skills.

Upon completion of the course, the Belize Tourism Board will certify each successful participant, making you eligible to apply for a tour guide license.

PRICE: \$ 600.00

VENUE: University of Belize

DURATION: 14 Weeks

STARTING DATE: February 9th, 2009

FINISHING DATE: May 15th, 2009

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 4th, 2009

REGISTER AT: Faculty of Arts and Education, former Teachers' College Campus.
(Ask for Mayra Pech)



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Selling Above The Controlled Price Is A Serious Offence

BELMOPAN, Tuesday, January 27, 2009:

A release issued today by the Ministry of Economic Development, Commerce, Industry and Consumer Protection informs that it has come to the attention of the Belize Bureau of Standards that the price of butane sold

by some distributors may exceed the current controlled price.

In light of this situation the general public is hereby informed that the current controlled prices for butane gas are as follows:

Corozal and Belize City: **\$86**; Orange Walk: **\$87**; Belmopan City and

San Ignacio/Santa Elena: **\$88**; Benque Viejo del Carmen **\$89**; Dangriga: **\$90**; and Punta Gorda: **\$91**.

Consumers are advised to take note the current price and to alert the Ministry of infractions at **0-800-283-5587**.

Where there is failure to comply, consumers are reminded that the receipt is proof of purchase and this is important in seeking redress.

Distribution agents and the general public are hereby advised that selling above the controlled price is a serious offence under the Supplies Control Act Chapter 293 Section four (4) of the Laws of Belize.

Any person found in violation faces imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or to both fine and confinement.



SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD TENDER

The Social Security Board invites tenders for the provision of cleaning supplies for its offices countrywide. The list of supplies to be provided are as follows:

ITEM	QUANTITY
Air Freshener Spray	420 Boxes of 12 cans per box
Alcohol (Rubbing)	52 Boxes of 12 bottles per box
Bathroom Freshener Dispensers (Time Mists)	32 Cases
Brooms	132 Units
Buckets	68 Units
Buffing Pads	16 Units
Carpet Deodorizers	32 Bottles
Carpet Stain Remover	20 Bottles
Clorox (Bleach)	132 Boxes of six 1 gallon bottles per box
Deck Broom	8 Units
Dishwashing Liquid (750 ml)	148 Bottles
Dust Pans	16 Units
Disinfectant	10 Cases of six 1 gallon bottles per box
Furniture Polish – non aerosol	156 Cans
Garbage Bags (13 gallons)	224 Rolls at 50 bags per roll
Garbage Bags (29-33 gallons)	224 Rolls at 50 bags per roll
Garbage Bags (50 gallons)	116 Rolls at 50 bags per roll
Garbage Containers (13 gallon)	50 Units
Glass Cleaner	108 Bottles
Hand Liquid Soap	76 Boxes at 12 units per box
Hand Paper	220 Cases at 12 rolls per case
Insect Spray	232 Cans
Jumbo Toilet Paper (for dispenser)	244 Cases at 12 rolls per case
Lime Away	272 Bottles
Lysol Antibacterial Spray	104 Units
Cleaning Cloths	36 Boxes
Mops (small)	164 Units
Mops (large)	24 Units
Muriatic Acid	116 Bottles
Orange Cleaner	28 Cases
Rubber Gloves	48 Packs
Scrub Brushes	12 Units
Powdered Detergent	9 Packs
Toilet Bowl Deodorizer	8 Boxes
Toilet Paper	36 Bales
Toilet Plunger	10 Units
Toilet Scrubber (brush)	12 Units
Unitabs (for urinals)	24 Boxes at 12 units per box
Vacuum Bags	4 Boxes

All submissions must include the unit price of each item and the brand and size of the product.

Submission of tender must be made in a sealed envelope to the address below. The envelope shall bear the name of the tender and a warning not to open before the specified time and date. The deadline for the submission of tenders is **February 9, 2009**. Any tender received after this deadline will not be considered.

The Social Security Board, Tender Committee, will open tenders and the Social Security Board will not defray any cost incurred by any tenderer. The Social Security Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender and reserves the right to accept or reject any tender, and to annul the process and reject all tenders, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective contractor or any obligation to assign any reason for the rejection of any tender. Prospective tenderers must be in compliance with the requirements of Social Security Act in order to be considered.

Mrs. Merlene Bailey Martinez
Chief Executive Officer
Social Security Board
Bliss Parade, P.O. Box 18
Belmopan, Belize

2009's First Increase In Fuel Prices

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Wednesday, January 28, 2009:

Fuel prices in Belize increased today resulting from a rise in latest acquisition costs.

At the stroke of midnight, and as the date changed to Wednesday, January 28, 2009, fuel outlets across the nation ratcheted up the retail prices at their stations.

In San Ignacio/Santa Elena, the price of **Diesel** went up by 58 cents: From BZ\$4.85 to **BZ\$5.43** – **Regular Gasoline** experienced a 93 cents increase from \$4.65 to **\$5.58** and **Super Gasoline** went up from \$5.45 to **\$5.85**, an increase of 40 cents.

In July 2008, the world price of crude peaked at US\$147 per barrel. By the end of 2008, as most of the world fell into recession, prices plunged to below US\$49 a barrel.

Notwithstanding however, crude oil prices are still far higher than they were at the beginning of the

San Ignacio Rotary Club Hosts 7th Annual Elocution Contest

BY: Pia Durham

SAN IGNACIO HOTEL, Cayo, Thursday, January 22, 2009:

The 7th Annual Voice of the West Elocution Contest was held inside the Bedran Hall at the San Ignacio Resort Hotel in San Ignacio Town Cayo.

The admission free event, annually hosted and organized by the Rotary Club of San Ignacio, was divided into 4 categories.

The winners in each category is a follow:

PUBLISHED POEMS & EXCERPTS

First Prize: **Barbara Velasquez**, St. Ignatius High School - \$200.

decade when in 1999, the price of crude hovered around US\$16 a barrel.

Despite this latest increase, the retail price of fuel, in Belize,

Second Prize: **Arturo Matus** Sacred Heart College - \$100.
Third Prize: **Carrie Roberson** Belize Christian Academy - \$50.

ORIGINAL POETRY

First Prize: **Kayln Kristel Fuller** Belmopan Comprehensive - \$200.
Second Prize: **Dina Halsal** Our Lady of Guadalupe High School - \$100.
Third Prize: **Rebekah Penner** Belize Christian Academy - \$50.

ESSAY WRITING

First Prize: **Courtney Weatherburne** Belmopan

remains at less than half it was, up to the end of last year. Today, a 20-gallon tank of gasoline results in a automatic saving of \$100 to consumers.

Comprehensive - \$200.
Second Prize: **Ricardo Galvez**, Sacred Heart College - \$100.
Third Prize: **Matthew Gomez**, Our Lady of Guadalupe High School - \$50.

IMPROMPTU SPEECH

First Prize: **Karina Gill** Our Lady of Guadalupe High School - \$300.
Second Prize: **Gerry Ramirez** Eden S.D.A. - \$200.
Third Prize: **Reynaldo Romero** Sacred Heart College - \$100.
The San Ignacio Rotary Club takes this opportunity to thank all of its Sponsors and Participants for helping to make this Educational event so successful and worthwhile.

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Friday: Micheladas - \$4.00

Public Notice

Public Utilities Commission (PUC)



Notice:

The Public Utilities Commission (hereinafter referred to as “the Commission”) hereby serves Notice this day, January 26, 2009, to all Interested Persons, including the Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) and the general public, that the Commission has decided to delay the implementation of the AMENDMENT TO THE 2008 ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEEDING FINAL DECISION that was issued January 7, 2009, while the Commission undertakes a process of public consultation with regards to the amendments made to the 2008 ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEEDING FINAL DECISION.

To this end, the Commission is inviting all Interested Persons to make comments and representations with respect to the AMENDMENT TO THE 2008 ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEEDING FINAL DECISION as previously issued, or with respect to any further amendments.

Definition of Interested Person:

An “Interested Person” as stated above means a person who may be materially affected by any Decision, Order, Regulations or Byelaws made or issued by the Commission.

Comments:

The deadline for comments to be received from Interested Persons is Wednesday, February 4, 2009.

Comments may be made:

- a) in writing and delivered to the PUC at: Public Utilities Commission
41 Gabourel Lane, Belize City
P. O. Box 300
- b) by email to the PUC at: info@puc.bz

Intended date to issue decision to either confirm or further amend the AMENDMENT TO THE 2008 ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEEDING FINAL DECISION:

The Commission intends to issue its decision to either confirm or further amend the AMENDMENT TO THE 2008 ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEEDING FINAL DECISION as previously issued on Friday, February 6, 2009.

Purpose for delay and consultation:

The purpose for the delay is to extend an opportunity to all Interested Persons to contribute to and perhaps improve upon the amendments made to the 2008 ANNUAL REVIEW PROCEEDING FINAL DECISION by the Commission.

Additionally, BEL filed an application with the Supreme Court for an injunction against and stay of the amendments until an appeal of the amendments filed by BEL with the Supreme Court is heard and determined. Rather than risk having the injunction and stay upheld and result in an undue delay in passing through the benefits of the lower cost of power (due to lower oil prices) to consumers, the Commission decided to make an undertaking to the Supreme Court to delay the implementation of the amendments for a potentially shorter period until a process of consultation is completed.

Assurance of pass through of benefits of reduced cost of power:

The Commission is required to set the Reference Price of Power (RPP – cost of power component of the Mean Electricity Rate) for the period January 1 to June 30, 2009, and by law the cost of power is a direct pass-through cost item. Despite any delays in the implementation of the amendments, the RPP is effective for that said period.

Therefore, the Commission hereby assures that consumers will enjoy any appropriate benefit that may accrue as a result of the reduction in the cost of power, as determined by the Commission, with effect January 1, 2009.

Ministry Of Works Handing Over Of Vehicles



1. Cadet Henderson, CEO; 2. Cecil Garbutt, DTS, Cayo District; 3. Mario Tun, DTS Orange Walk;
4. Eric Moore, DTS Toledo District; 5. Graciano Medina, Zone Engineer, North; 6. Lindsey Wade, DTS Belize District;
7. Maurice Rogers, DTS Corozal; 8. David Novelo, Executive Engineer; 9. Derrick Calles, Southern Zone Engineer,
10. William "Bill" Cuevas, DTS, Stann Creek District and 11. Hon. Anthony "Boots" Martinez, Minister of Works

On Tuesday, January 27, 2009 during a brief ceremony held at the Ministry of Works Compound in Belmopan City, **Hon. Anthony "Boots" Martinez**, Minister of Works and **Cadet Henderson**, Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry of Works, handed over nine (9) new 2009 Isuzu D- Max, 4 cylinder, manual transmission, diesel pick-ups to its six (6) District Technical Supervisors and three (3) Zone Engineers.

These vehicles were purchased from Bravo Motors at a total cost of \$390,000.00. Each vehicle is valued at approximately \$42,000.00. Funding was made possible by the Government of Belize under the Prime Minister's \$2 million dollar budgetary allocation for equipment replacement for the Ministry of Works and from project financing.

During official handing over ceremonies, Hon. Anthony "Boots" Martinez commended District Technical Supervisors and Zone Engineers on their hard work and dedication and urged them to continue the exemplary work, particularly now that they will be more equipped to do so. He also extended his thanks to the Prime Minister, **Hon. Dean Barrow**, for support of his vision to make the Ministry of Works a competitive, highly productive and efficient Ministry on par with the private sector.

In addition to these nine (9) pick-ups, several dump trucks and other road work equipment are expected to arrive in the country shortly.



Your Horoscope & Lucky Numbers

ARIES MAR 21 to APR 20



a lot happening for you if you juggle it properly. There will be some real challenges at work but if you are able to come up with quick thinking, you could be rewarded with perks that you have been looking for. On the domestic front you should have some memorable times with loved ones. Just make sure that you keep work and personal time separate. **Lucky numbers:** 9, 34, 57.

TAURUS

APR 21 to MAY 21



This week makes you realise the importance of a whole lot of things in life, especially the people close to your heart. You draw closer to your partner/ spouse/ family and intend to keep it that way. This approach is also evident in your working relationships where you yield some ground to gain some. There could be some legal matter from your past that needs to be dealt with. **Lucky numbers:** 6, 30, 72.

GEMINI MAY 22 to JUNE 21



There will be effort from your side to work on the aspects of your personality that you think are standing in the way of your personal growth. You will try to look at criticism constructively. Financial matters will improve and will ease off burden on your mind. Be patient because there will be a situation mid week where you may have to deal with a temperamental person. **Lucky numbers:** 5, 36, 79.

CANCER JUNE 22 to JUL 22



There is a lot that you want to achieve. And you have been working hard to get it started. You are able to see some progress in real, tangible terms now. There is greater bonding with people you work with and greater satisfaction derived from work. You need to be extra careful about your health as that is one area that could cause a setback. Be level-headed. **Lucky numbers:** 2, 61, 94.

LEO JUL 23 to AUG 23

There could be reworking of ties with loved ones and affirmation of existing ones with very close



friends. Remember that there are temporary storms in every relationship and you need to wait for it to pass. You should focus on keeping your dignity intact even if you feel that people close to you act selfish. You are able to keep the hope high in midst of rough seas. **Lucky numbers:** 1, 24, 84.

VIRGO

AUG 24 to SEP 22



You work hard at giving your best at work and making it the smoothest ride for your loved ones. You are able to sit and bask in the glow of satisfaction with what you have achieved. Only thing you will have to be careful about is your own strict standards and benchmarks that you set for yourself. Some confusion in relationships is bound to prevail but have faith. **Lucky numbers:** 4, 45, 74.

LIBRA SEP 23 to OCT 23



This week is likely to bring some good feeling within you. It is not always about money or romance. You are likely to be in pink of health and will be tremendously pleased with yourself for your efficiency and productivity. You need to be careful though that it will not work well to simply obsess about oneself. Be accommodative of others opinions and problems too. **Lucky numbers:** 7, 54, 63.

SCORPIO

OCT 24 to NOV 22



You have seen lot of tumultuous times and now you find yourself more mature. However, there could be phases when people close to you, whom you trust in make choices that are not to your liking. You need to get realistic about your expectations in life. Do not start chasing something just because someone else is doing it. Know your strengths and follow that course. **Lucky numbers:** 9, 15, 17.

SAGITTARIUS

NOV 23 to DEC 21



There are many hardships that you have suffered. Now is the time, where you

can know if you have learnt from your past mistakes. You could be mending a relationship with someone important. If you try hard enough some of the mistakes can be reversed. You could endear yourself to someone in position of authority. There could crop up a situation within the family that tests your patience. **Lucky numbers:** 3, 12, 58.

CAPRICORN

DEC 22 to JAN 20



This is a time when your feelings begin to overwhelm your thinking mind. There could be some strict evaluation of your current work scenario in terms of the happiness it brings to you or the problems you are facing. You could be measuring the returns that you get for your work. However, make sure that you make decisions when you feel level headed and not under the sway of emotions. **Lucky numbers:** 8, 25, 69.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21 to FEB 18



The mental plans have been drawn and you have thought long and hard. Now is the time to give shape to what you have been dreaming of. Though, it takes a lot of hard work to translate ideas into reality,

Aquarians are seldom shy of putting in hard work. Try not to get distracted by minor issues and events so that your focus does not waver. **Lucky numbers:** 12, 35, 84.

PISCES FEB 19 to MAR 20



There will be some good career moves from your end. You are likely to be fired up for doing your best and may not be seeking rewards. It is the satisfaction that you aim for rather than monetary returns. You find yourself more at peace with a loving family than a roaring work life. Thinking before speaking will save the day. **Lucky numbers:** 14, 43, 82.

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PC #140 Josue Mckoy - Benque Viejo's Police Officer Of The Month For December

BENQUE VIEJO TOWN, Thursday, January 29, 2009:

Benque Viejo Police today named PC #140 Josue Mckoy as the formation's Officer of the Month for December 2008.

A brief ceremony, attended by personnel attached to the Benque Viejo Police Sub Formation, was held on Thursday afternoon during which PC Mckoy was officially honored for his commitment to service and dedication to his duties.

PC Mckoy who is attached to Benque Viejo's Zone Beat Liaison Program, was also the recipient of a \$100 cash award which came courtesy of **Canadian Mounted Police Staff Sergeant Blake Shreue** who was present at the ceremony with his wife **Evelyn** as they personally made the presentation. Sgt. Shreue and his wife are regular visitors to Belize.



Officer Of The Month PC #140 Josue Mckoy (L) - Officer Commanding Benque Viejo Police Sub-Formation, Superintendent Dezerie Phillips

Additionally PC McKoy received a certificate of appreciation from the Officer Commanding the Benque Viejo Police Formation, **Superintendent Dezerie Phillips** and the Staff of the Benque Viejo

Police Sub Formation.

He also received a gift certificate for dinner for 2 at the San Ignacio Resort Hotel which came courtesy of a prominent Benque Viejo businessman.

We take this opportunity to congratulate PC Josue Mckoy on this latest achievement and at the same time encourage him to continue the level of dedication he has demonstrated in providing quality service to the community.

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BELIZE TOURISM BOARD TOURISM NEWS

BTB Opens New Airport Office

Belize City, Wednesday, January 14th, 2009—The Belize Tourism Board is proud to announce the opening of its new Office at the Philip SW Goldson International Airport (PGIA). With over 180,000 passengers arriving at the PGIA each year, the multi-purpose office creates a favorable first impression of Belize. Built to international standards, the air conditioned office is equipped with storage space, enhanced customer-facing facilities, maps, guides, brochures and has a colorful mural of popular tourist attractions in Belize. There is also a 42" flat screen television built in the structure which is equipped for displaying vivid Belize tourism attractions while passengers wait in the immigration line to be processed.



"The Philip Goldson International Airport is an important point of entry into Belize welcoming more than 70% of total visitors. I am pleased that we have been able to provide an attractive, safe, welcoming and convenient environment from which we continue to serve our local and visiting guests," stated Minister Heredia.

The office will maintain its working hours including Sundays and public holidays. The new BTB office is the first structure of its kind and adds to the enhancement of the recent renovations made at the PGIA in the arrival hall. It allows visitors to walk inside the climate control office, taking a personal look around to pick up any promotional materials on Belize and ask any questions they may have. The have an opportunity to sit and relax while they wait for their luggage.

The new structure was built by architects Mitchell Moody & Associates, with the assistance of creative designer Anthony Hunt of Yellowtail Designs.



American Way Magazine Visits Belize

Belize City, Wednesday, January 20th, 2009- American Airlines takes more passengers to more places than any other airline in the world. American Way, available to every passenger on every American Airlines flight, consistently delivers award winning content and design that covers the latest trends in travel, lifestyle and business. It is published every two weeks, and has featured celebrities from Tom Cruise to Brendan Fraser on its cover. Now, our beautiful jewel, Belize, will be featured on the cover of the June 15th issue of this superior magazine – the first time that a destination will be highlighted.



Executive Editor Adam Pitluk and photographer, Scott Winstrow made their first visit to Belize and traversed over several parts of the country to experience Mother Nature's Best Kept Secret and to Be One with Belize. Their itinerary took them first to San Pedro where they had the opportunity to swim with nurse sharks and rays in water just 6 – 8 feet deep at Hol Chan and Shark Ray Alley – a truly memorable experience. They also enjoyed lunch at one of the many intriguing islands, Caye Caulker. The second leg of their journey took them to San Ignacio where they enjoyed a spa treatment, did site inspections and visited the grand Maya city of Xunantunich where they had a sweeping view of Belize. The final leg on their itinerary took them to Placencia where they conducted interviews for the magazine and visited some properties.

Participating private sector partners who assisted in making this trip a success included Tropic Air, Belize Yacht Club, Victoria House, Azul Resort, Seaduced By Belize, San Ignacio Hotel, Ka'ana Resort, Chabil Mar Villas, Turtle Inn Resort and the Inn at Roberts Grove.

The magazine is available worldwide in all American Airlines flights and is estimated that 8.3 million people will have it in front of them while they cruise along at 30,000 feet.



For more information on events taking place in Belize's tourism industry, please contact the Marketing Department, Belize Tourism Boards at 227-2420, via email: **btbb@btl.net** or visit our website **www.travelbelize.org**.

Elections and Boundaries Department

NOTICE

NOTICE
BELIZE CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Belize City Council Act, Chapter 85 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **BELIZE CITY COUNCIL** will be received at the **Charles B. Hyde Building, Mahogany Street Extension, Belize City** between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009.**

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections and Boundaries Department, Central Office, Third Floor, Charles B. Hyde Building, Mahogany Street Extension, Belize City** between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **BELIZE CITY**, and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).**

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **BELIZE CITY COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009.**

The Office of the **Returning Officer** for **BELIZE CITY COUNCIL** is situated at the **Treasury Department, Central Bank Building, Belize City.**

DATED this **21st** day of **January, 2009.**

Dorothy Bradley
RETURNING OFFICER
BELIZE CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE
BELMOPAN CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Belmopan City Council Act, Chapter 86 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **BELMOPAN CITY COUNCIL** will be received at the **Belmopan Civic Centre, Market Square, City of Belmopan,** between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009.**

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, Constitution Drive, City of Belmopan,** between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **THE CITY OF BELMOPAN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Fifty Dollars (\$50.00).**

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **BELMOPAN CITY COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009.**

The Office of the Returning Officer for **BELMOPAN CITY** is situated at the **Local Government Department, Ministry of Labour, 68 Trinity Boulevard, Belmopan City, Cayo District.**

DATED this **22nd** day of **January, 2009.**

Eugene Palacio
RETURNING OFFICER
BELMOPAN CITY COUNCIL

NOTICE
COROZAL TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION, 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **COROZAL TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **Administration Building, Corozal Town,** between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and

4:00 p.m. on **Monday, February 16, 2009.**

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, #49 Fourth Avenue, Corozal Town,** between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **COROZAL TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00).**

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **COROZAL TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009.**

The Office of the **Returning Officer** for **COROZAL TOWN** is situated at the **Community Rehabilitation Department, Ministry of Human Development, Regent Street, Belize City.**

DATED this **22nd** day of **January 2009.**

Fermin Olivera
RETURNING OFFICER
COROZAL TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE
ORANGE WALK TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION, 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **ORANGE WALK TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **Orange Walk Sub-Treasury, Orange Walk Town,** between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009.**

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, #1A Santa Ana Street, Orange Walk Town,** between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **ORANGE WALK TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00).**

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **ORANGE WALK TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009.**

The Office of the Returning Officer for **ORANGE WALK TOWN** is situated at the **Forest Department, Ministry of Natural Resources in the City of Belmopan.**

DATED this **22nd** day of **January 2009.**

Wilber Sabido
RETURNING OFFICER
ORANGE WALK TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE
SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **Administration Building, San Ignacio Town,** between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009.**

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, West Street, San Ignacio Town,** between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

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Elections and Boundaries Department

NOTICE

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Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00)**.

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009**.

The Office of the Returning Officer for **SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA TOWN** is situated at the **Co-operatives Department, Charles Bartlette Hyde Building, Mahogany Street Extension, Belize City**.

DATED this 22nd day of **January 2009**.

Hugo Miranda
RETURNING OFFICER
SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE
SAN PEDRO (AMBERGRIS CAYE) TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **SAN PEDRO (AMBERGRIS CAYE) TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **San Pedro Town Hall, San Pedro, Ambergris Caye**, between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009**.

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, Island Galleria, San Pedro, Ambergris Caye** between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **SAN PEDRO TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00)**.

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **SAN PEDRO TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009**.

The Office of the Returning Officer for **SAN PEDRO TOWN** is situated at the **Income Tax Department, Second Floor, Charles Bartlette Hyde Building, Mahogany Street Extension, Belize City**.

DATED this 22nd day of **January 2009**.

Marilyn Ordonez
RETURNING OFFICER
SAN PEDRO (AMBERGRIS CAYE) TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE
BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **Benque Viejo del Carmen Town Hall, Benque Viejo del Carmen Town**, between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009**.

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, Cor. Liberty and Kennedy Street, Benque Viejo del Carmen Town**, between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00)**.

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009**.

The Office of the Returning Officer for **BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN TOWN** is situated at the **Ministry of the Public Service, Sir Edney Cain Building in the City of Belmopan**.

DATED this 22nd day of **January 2009**.

Justin Palacio
RETURNING OFFICER
BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE
DANGRIGA TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **DANGRIGA TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **Dangriga Town Hall, Dangriga Town**, between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009**.

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, #16 Tubroose Street, Dangriga Town**, between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **DANGRIGA TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00)**.

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **DANGRIGA TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009**.

The Office of the Returning Officer for **DANGRIGA TOWN** is situated at the **Geology & Petroleum Department, 34/36 Unity Boulevard, City of Belmopan**.

DATED this 22nd day of **January 2009**.

Andre Cho
RETURNING OFFICER
DANGRIGA TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE
PUNTA GORDA TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION 2009
NOTICE OF TIME AND PLACE OF NOMINATION
AND DATE OF ELECTION

In accordance with the Town Council Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, and the applicable Regulations, it is hereby notified that the nominations of candidates for election of members of the **PUNTA GORDA TOWN COUNCIL** will be received at the **Administration Building, Punta Gorda Town**, between the hours of **10:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** on **Monday, February 16, 2009**.

Nomination Forms can be obtained at the **Elections & Boundaries Registration Office, #18 West Street, Punta Gorda Town**, between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** and **4:00 p.m.** daily, except Saturdays and Sundays.

Every candidate shall be proposed by two other persons whose names appear on the Register of Electors for **PUNTA GORDA TOWN** and shall deliver to the Returning Officer his written consent to be so nominated.

Every candidate shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, with the Returning Officer the sum of **Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00)**.

If more candidates are nominated than there shall be seats to be filled, a general election of members to the **PUNTA GORDA TOWN COUNCIL** shall be held on **Wednesday, the 4th day of March 2009**.

The Office of the **Returning Officer** for **PUNTA GORDA TOWN** is situated at the **District Education Centre, Punta Gorda Town**.

DATED this 22nd day of **January 2009**.

Oscar Reyes
RETURNING OFFICER
PUNTA GORDA TOWN COUNCIL

John P. Saldivar - Found Dead

SAN PEDRO TOWN, Friday, January 30, 2009:

At about 6:00 pm today Police in San Pedro Town received information of a shooting incident in the Rock Point Area, North Ambergris Caye, about fifteen miles from San Pedro Town.

The suspects were reportedly making their way towards San Pedro in a white skiff with green and black stripes on the side, powered by a 150 HP Yamaha engine.

A joint Police/BDF team was dispatched to the area. Whilst travelling through the river in the Boca Del Rio area the team heard a boat approaching in the opposite direction and upon spotting a light on the skiff, they noticed that it fitted the description they had received.

The captain was directed to stop the boat but he reportedly refused to stop. The police continued in pursuit until it eventually stopped. Police observed one of the two occupants of the vessel standing with what appeared to be a gun in his hand and pointing it in their direction. The police fired at the person with the firearm. The individual then jumped overboard and escaped by swimming towards the mangroves.

Upon reaching the vessel, police came upon the captain of the boat, **Eric Swan**, with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the upper right leg and a graze to the buttock. They also found six (6) live 7.62 rounds of ammunition, camouflage pants and a sea worthiness certificate in the name of Eric Swan inside the skiff.

Swan was taken to the San Pedro Poly Clinic and later transported to the KMH where he remains in a stable condition under police guard.

Later that evening, **Joseph Smith**, 31, Belizean carpenter from the DFC area in San Pedro Town, whom police believe made the initial report, visited the station and reported that he was held up at gun point, in the Rocky Point area, by persons fitting the description of those inside the skiff. Smith informed that the individuals relieved him of two tanks of fuel. He was reportedly left drifting at sea in his skiff but managed to reach ashore safely.

At about 8 o'clock the following morning, **Brionne Swift**, 29 years, of Boca Del Rio area, San Pedro reported to police that he believed that his friend **John Paul Saldivar** was shot at around 4:00 pm the previous Friday evening, and that he might still be alive.

On the basis of Swift's report, police visited an area about 16 miles North of Ambergris Caye, where they found a Hispanic, male person laying face up on the beach. The person had what appeared to be multiple gunshot wounds to the head and legs. The body also had several visible bruises. It was removed from the scene and transported to the San Pedro Poly Clinic where it was pronounced dead. The body was identified as that of **John Paul Saldivar**, originally of Corozal Town.

A searched of the area resulted in the discovery of a 9mm Glock pistol along with a magazine with 13 live 9mm rounds. Also found in the area were two black warm caps adapted as masks, a flash light, a cellular phone and a large quantity

of US currency. Saldivar's body is at the KMH where it awaits a post mortem examination.

In the course of their investigation, several persons were detained for questioning.

Police reports that Eric Swan is wanted in connection with a report of robbery in the Stann Creek District.

The Commissioner of Police has dispatched the Officer Commanding The National Crimes Investigation Branch **Senior Superintendent James Magdaleno** and Internal Affairs personnel to investigate the matter.

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At the height of a corruption trial, the prosecutor launched at the witness. *"Isn't it true,"* he shouted, *"that you accepted five thousand dollars to compromise this case?"*

The witness stared out the window towards the Columbus Park as though he hadn't hear the question.

"Isn't it true" repeated the prosecutor, *"that you accepted five thousand dollars to compromise this case?"*

The witness still did not respond. Finally, the judge leaned over and said, *"Sir, please answer the question."*

"Oh," the startled witness said, *"I thought he was talking to you."*

Life After Death

"Do you believe in life after death?" the boss asked one of his employees.

"No, Sir." the employee replied.

"I find it very strange" the boss responded. *"because remember yesterday when you did not report to work then called in and told me that you had to go to your mother's funeral - Well she stopped in yesterday to say hello to you."*

He Got In And He Can't Get Out

Six months after leaving Belize, the retired British High Commissioner came through with his promise to send for **Don Juan Costal**, the yard man who had worked so well for him during his three years posting in Belize.

With a stop over in Miami, Don Juan was picked up at the airport by a diplomat and taken to the Five Star Ramada Hotel where he was checked in.

Five minutes later Don. Juan calls the front desk and say, *"What's wrong with you people, you've given me a room with no door to come out. How will I get out of here to catch the plane that will take me to the boss in England tomorrow?"*

The desk clerk says, *"Sir, that's quite unusual. Have you looked for the door?"*

"Well," said Don Juan, *"there's one door that leads to the toilet. There's a second door that goes into a small place where some hangers are hanging. And there's a door I haven't tried, because it has a "DO NOT DISTURB" sign hanging on it."*

Elections and Boundaries Department
Belize City, 21st January 2009

NOTICE

BELIZE CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, 4TH MARCH 2009
APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER
AND ELECTION CLERKS

IT IS NOTIFIED for general information that the Elections and Boundaries Commission, pursuant to Section 18(1) of the Belize City Council Act, Chapter 85 of the Laws of Belize, has appointed the **RETURNING OFFICER** named below for the Belize City Council Election to be held on **Wednesday, the 4th of March 2009**, and the Chief Elections Officer, acting pursuant to Section 18(2) of the said Act, has appointed, with the approval of the Elections and Boundaries Commission, the **ELECTION CLERKS** named below for the said Belize City Council Election:-

CITY

Belize City

RETURNING OFFICER

Dorothy Bradley
Ag. Accountant General
Treasury Department.
Belize City

ELECTION CLERKS

Benedict Palacio
Senior Customs Examiner
Customs & Excise Department

Kent Claire
Assessor/Supervisor
Income Tax Department
Charles Bartlett Hyde Bldg.
Belize City

Lewis Belisle
Administrative Officer I
Attorney General's Ministry
City of Belmopan

Evan Brown
Assistant Commissioner
General Sales Tax
Charles Bartlett Hyde Bldg.
Belize City

Ewart Bradley
Asst. Postmaster General
General Post Office
Belize City

Kenroy Ellis
ITVET Coordinator
Education Department
Belize City

Jose Contreras
Director of Civil Aviation
Department of Civil Aviation
Phillip Goldson Int'nl Airport
Ladyville

Henry Marsden
Senior Customs Examiner
Customs & Excise Dept.
Belize City

Ivan Williams
Ag. Labour Commissioner
Labour Department
Belmopan

Alana Genity
Dep. Chief Education Officer
Ministry of Education
City of Belmopan

Dated this 21st day of January, 2009

RUTH A. MEIGHAN
Chief Elections Officer

The Renovation Works Continue

Part 2 - BY: Julian Sherrard
Thursday, January 29, 2009:

In my last article I informed about generous donations by businesses and individuals in San Ignacio, Spanish Lookout and Belmopan to renovate Police Station in San Ignacio. It give me pleasure to now inform that these donations and good works continue to pour in!

The Chinese Community in San Ignacio have now joined to assist along with business places like **Agro Tech** and individuals like **Donald Coleman, Ike Polk, Mike Bogaert** and many others.

Two lengths of thick rope to be used as temporary speed bumps for Vehicle Check Points were donated by **Francis Woods** of Old Belize.

Aaron and Eddie Brand of Yellow Bell Ice Cream donated an air conditioner for one of the offices and **Bismilla's Store** donated some upholstered chairs. **Belize Natural Energy** donated the drop ceiling for a new conference room. **Escandar Bedran**, from Running W donated sheet rock and lumber to enclose the conference room. **Thomas Gallagher** donated the labour to install the lumber and sheet rock. **Erix Tobar** of Tobar's W&J Home Construction donated a lectern and San Ignacio Commercial donated a new TV also for the conference room. **Robert Craig** from Maranco donated uniforms for the Special Constables.

I would like to extend a heart felt thank you! to all of these people on behalf of the San Ignacio Police.

The work is ongoing as businesses and individuals continue to volunteer their time and resources.

Over the past two months over 45 men and women of all ages have committed to donate their time by becoming Special Constables. This exciting program helps to bring out a sense of ownership, care and pride in keeping our country and community safe, orderly, and clean for our families and all human beings who live in and visit our Jewel, Belize.

If you would like to be part of the Special Constabulary, please contact **Julian Sherrard** at 824-2341 or **Senior Superintendent of Police Mr. Paul Wade** at the San Ignacio Police Station at 824-2022.

As a concerned citizen, you can also take the initiative in your own neighborhood by helping the police to organize sporting events and programs to get our young people off the street and away from a life-style of crime and violence.

Remember: Be vigilant of what is happening in your neighborhood. Our police cannot be everywhere at all times. They might not know what you see or hear. We need to help the police by volunteering information and by being alert of our surroundings.

Fighting crime is not a sudden victory but rather a steady battle.



News Release



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Ix Chel Tropical Research Foundation is now offering it's new after school program, **KIDS FOR CONSERVATION**. This Program will have volunteers to assist children with their daily homework and other school projects.

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Doors will be open as of January 12th 2009 Monday to Friday from 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

ICTRF always working hand in hand with the community to make a positive difference in the lives of children.

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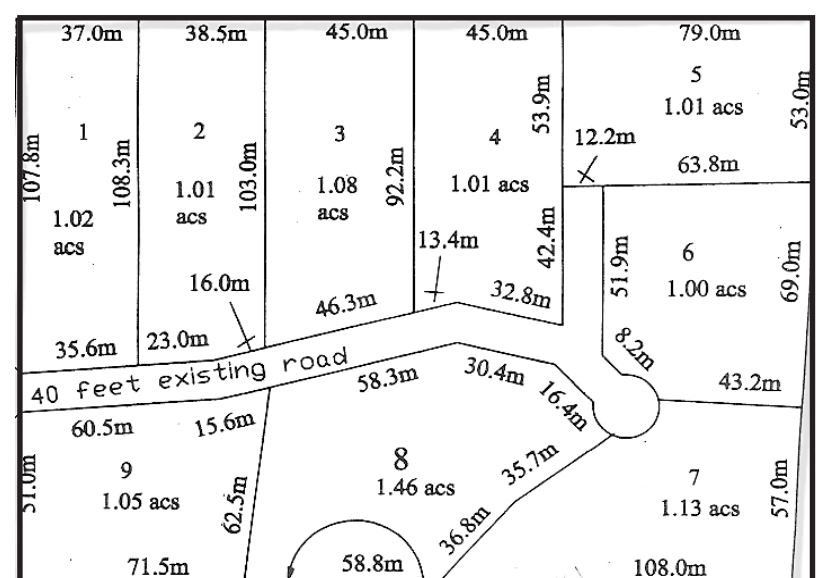
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CHAPTER 194, LAWS OF BELIZE (REVISED EDITION 2000)

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13

In accordance with Section 13 of the Registered Land Act Chapter 194, Revised Edition 2000. **I, BARONI HERNANDEZ**, Ag. Registrar of Lands, hereby serves notice that within one month from the date hereof, I intend to register the following parcels of land listed below for which application for first registration have been received.

The attention of the general public is hereby drawn to this notice. Any person whose rights and interest may be affected by the registering of these parcels must get in touch with me before expiry date of this notice between Mondays to Fridays at the Land Registry, Belmopan


(**BARONI HERNANDEZ**)(MR.)
AG. REGISTRAR OF LANDS

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200809674

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ALBERT/MESOP** Block No. 45 and being Parcels No. 665

This parcel of land is the subject of a Vesting Assent No 3265/2005 dated 6th December, 2005 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume. 39 of 2005 @ folios 507-518 favour of **ISOLENE ANDERSON HARPER**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200809989

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2180

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 117/2008 dated 31st December, 2007 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 2 of 2008 at Folios 205-212 in favour of **LUIS ALONSO SALAZAR**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200809990

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section **SAN PEDRO**, Block No. 7 and being Parcel No. 5335

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 923 of 2004 dated 20th November, 2004 in favour of **ISRAEL ZETINA**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200810030

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section; **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 567

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 289 of 1990 dated 2nd October, 1990 in favour of **MILDRED VILLANUEVA**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200810097

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **SARTENEJA**, Block No. 3 and being Parcel No. 744

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 607 of 1997 dated 14th November, 1997 in favour of **JAY DEAN CROFTON**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900060

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **VISTA DEL MAR**, Block No. 16 and being Parcel No. 935

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 1579/1994 dated 25th July, 1994 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 18 of 994 at Folios 1455-1476 in favour of **JOHN KING**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900071

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ALBERT/MESOP**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1274

This parcel of land is the subject of a Assent No. 2365/1999 dated 31st August, 1999 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 28 of 1999 at Folios 375-382 in favour of **ELVIRA FERGUSON, MONROE FERGUSON, DWIGHT FERGUSON, MANON FERGUSON, FRANCINE FERGUSON, DEBORRAH FERGUSON & DELFARO FERGUSON**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900073

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section; **GRANT'S LAND**, Block No. 1 and being Parcel No 31

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 531 of 2007 dated 29th May, 2007 in favour of **NIC'S WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900074

This parcel or land are situated in the Registration Section, **GRANT'S LAND**, Block No. 1 and being Parcel No. 763

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 532 of 2007 dated 29th May, 2007 in favour of **AVA GARCIA IN TRUST FOR BRYAN JONES & LYDEN JONES**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900098

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 1851

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 71 of 1978 dated 7th March, 1978 in favour of **CLARA LUISA AVILEZ**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900177

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **SAN JOAQUIN/ SAN MAXIMO**, Block No. 1 and being Parcel No. 84

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 82 of 1982 dated 4th March, 1982 in favour of **AURELIO OLIVIA & MARIANELA OLIVA**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900178

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **CARMELITA**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 702.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 545 of 2000 dated 8th July, 2000 in favour of **CORENA F. ROMERO**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900179

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **TRIAL FARM**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 765

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2267/1999 dated 11th August, 1999 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 26 of 1999 at Folios 1339 - 1344 in favour of **EMMA JEAN ARZU ALVAREZ**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900180

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ALBERT/MESOP**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1521

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 1681/1995 dated 8th August, 1995 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 18 of 1995 at Folios 1473 - 1482 in favour of **FERNANDO ZELAYA**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900192

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **TRIAL FARM**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 761

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 610 of 2003 dated 27th June, 2003 in favour of **ELIJIO CANTE**

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900196

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **GUINEA GRASS**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 709

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2955/1997 dated 5th November, 1997 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 32 of 1997 at Folios 465- 472 in favour of **IGLESIA DE DIOS PENTECOSTAL MOVIMIENTO INTERNACIONAL LIMITED**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900244

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3528

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 754/1986 dated 14th August, 1986 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 7 of 1986 at Folios 987- 994 in favour of **ROSENDO QUEME**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900245

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2817

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 457/1994 dated 25th February, 1994 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 6 of 1994 at Folios 435- 442 in favour of **MARIO F. CANO & DILUVINA G. CANO**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900246

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Karate Federation - Marching Against Violence

BELIZE CITY, Sunday, February 1, 2009:

The Belize Karate Federation will be hosting the “*Belize Karate Peace March and Championship*” that will be held this Sunday, February 8, 2009.

Is Someone Making A Mockery Of Our Constitution?

(Contributed) February 1, 2009:

I start my contribution to your newspaper by quoting from the Supreme Law of the Land – **The Constitution of Belize** - at Part II, Section 6.- (1) the Constitution states: “*All persons are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to the equal protection of the law.*”

A present preferential condition at our head station in San Ignacio has me seriously wondering if there are some people who are consciously making a mockery of the Supreme Law of the Land.

On January 21, 2009, **Ismael Correa** and **David Molina Jr.**, were denied bail and ordered by the court to be remanded to prison, until February 19, on a charge of Carnal Knowledge allegedly committed in Punta Gorda Town against a 15 old girl from San Ignacio Town.

With *all persons being equal before* the law, whenever the court orders an individual remanded to prison, that individual is transported to the Central Prison in Hattieville on the first available transport heading that way which, at the very most, is three days after the order has been issued.

Today however, a full ten days after the court order was issued for the remand of Correa and Molina, we are still holding and feeding them at the San Ignacio Police Station.

There are some among us who say that we are still holding them at the station because one of the remanded prisoners has a friend in our midst who is above our pay scale and that this person is stalling from sending them to Hattieville as he awaits the processing of bail for them through the Supreme Court.

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The Peace March which will start at the corner of Faber’s Road and Central American Boulevard, in Belize City, at 7:00am and will make its way to the Belize City Center. Karatecas from all over the country, in their Karate attire, will

Quite frankly, I doubt very much however, that this individual is our Commanding Officer, as he has displayed exemplary character since his arrival here in San Ignacio. Probably it’s the amount of paper work that crosses our Commander’s desk each day but by now he should have been questioning why these two names have been appearing daily on the prisoner’s list for over a week.

This situation certainly gives the impression that, in violation of the Constitution, not all of us are equal

be participating in the march.

Apart from marking the start of the championship, the vent also seeks to unify the Karate family in Belize to show solidarity and concern for the escalating violence in Belize. It also seeks to promote

before the law. Alternatively, since information sometimes takes a long time to trickle down to the lower ranks, maybe the holding of remanded prisoners at district stations, until Supreme Court bail is secured, is a new standard of the department. On second thought I doubt that this is the case because, within the past week, several other remanded prisoners were placed on board the next train to Hattieville.

In a nut shell, this situation does not look good for Section 6 (1) of our Constitution.

peace by emphasizing brotherhood and respect, which of course are values instilled in the sport.

The championship begins immediately upon the arrival of the March at the City Center and will have the participation of the Salvadoran National Team, a team from the Peten Department of Guatemala as well as Karatecas from various clubs in Belize.

Sensei Oswald Mata, president of the Central American Karate Federation and vice-president of the Central American and Caribbean Karate Federation will be attending the event.

The categories for the Individual Kata Competition are: Cadets, Youths and Adults in both male and female division as well as a Team Kata Category.

In Kumite, the same categories will apply but with additional consideration for weight groups in the male and female divisions.

LRS-200804920

Registered Land Act
Chapter 194 - Revised Edition 2000
Section 140(1)

OWNERSHIP BY PRESCRIPTION

Name of Applicant	Registration Section	Block No.	Parcel No.
ANSELMO RICHARDS	SANTA ELENA/CAYO	23	2143

Application for ownership by prescription for the above mentioned parcel situate in Santa Elena/Cayo Registration Section has been received from **ANSELMO RICHARDS** being Parcel No. 2143 containing 35± acres

The attention of the general public is hereby drawn to this notice. Any person whose rights and interest may be affected by the registration of Anselmo Richards as proprietor with absolute title for Parcel No. 2143 Santa Elena/Cayo Registration Section containing 35± acres is hereby requested to show cause on or within one month from the date thereof, why ownership should not be granted to **ANSELMO RICHARDS**.


(BARONI HERNANDEZ)(MR.)
AG. REGISTRAR OF LANDS

LOST LAND/LEASE CERTIFICATES

Pursuant to Section 37(3) of the Registered Land Act, Chapter 194, Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, notice is hereby given of the loss of the following Land and Lease Certificates:-

NAME	CERTIFICATE NO.	REGISTRATION SECTION	PARCEL NO.
PATRICK TILLET	6135/2000	BELMOPAN	3655
TED SCHUTZ	3161/1998	SOCIETY HALL	2609
JOSEPH HABET & GLORIA HABET (JOINTLY)	6227/1991	CARIBBEAN SHORES/BELIZE	708
DONN FLORES & LINDA FLORES	5809/2005	SAN PEDRO	593
MARVA ALOGIA LOZANO	7003/1992	KING'S PARK	461
CHU-FANG CHEN	LRS-200800853	KING'S PARK	698
GREGORIO TILLET	9447/2007	TRINIDAD VILLAGE	288/1

It is proposed to cancel the above Land Certificates after the expiration of twenty-one (21) days from the appearance of this notice. Any of the above-mentioned certificates is required to return it to the Belize Land Registry, Ministry of Natural Resources & the Environment, Belmopan.


(BARONI HERNANDEZ) (MR.)
AG. DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF LANDS

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LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES

Notice is hereby be given that under the
Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance
Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize,
Revised Edition 2000, that
FRANCISCO RUIZ is applying
for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT
LIQUOR LICENSE** for he year 2009
to operate **SANNY'S GRILL** located
on 23rd Street, San Ignacio Town in the
Cayo District

Notice is hereby be 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 he
year 2009 to operate **MAYA VISTA
RESORT** located in Succotz Village in
the Cayo District

Elections and Boundaries Department Belize City, 21st January 2009

NOTICE

TOWN COUNCIL ELECTION, 4TH MARCH 2009 APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICERS AND ELECTION CLERKS

IT IS NOTIFIED for general information that the Elections and Boundaries Commission, pursuant to Section 18(1) of the Town Councils Act, Chapter 87 of the Laws of Belize, has appointed the **RETURNING OFFICERS** named below for the Town Council Elections to be held on **Wednesday, the 4th of March 2009**, and the Chief Elections Officer, acting pursuant to Section 18(2) of the said Act, has appointed, with the approval of the Elections and Boundaries Commission, the **ELECTION CLERKS** named below for the said Belize City Council Election:-

<u>TOWNS</u>	<u>RETURNING OFFICER</u>	<u>ELECTION CLERKS</u>
Corozal Town	Fermin Olivera Director Community Rehab. Ministry of Human Dev. Belize City	Earl Miller Senior Customs Examiner Customs & Excise Department, Corozal Town
Orange Walk	Wilber Sabido Chief Forest Officer Forest Department City of Belmopan	Michelle Vanzie Health Economist Ministry of Health City of Belmopan Martin Alegria Senior Environmental Officer Dept. of the Environment City of Belmopan
San Ignacio/ Santa Elena	Hugo Miranda Senior Co-operatives Officer Co-operative Department Belize City	Wayne Simon Deputy Auditor General Audit Department City of Belmopan
Dangriga	Andre Cho Director Geology & Petroleum Dept. City of Belmopan	Duane Belisle Dir. Policy & Planning Unit Min. of Economic Development City of Belmopan
Punta Gorda	Oscar Reyes Principal Education Officer District Education Centre Punta Gorda	Marcelo Windsor Deputy Chief Forest Officer Forestry Department City of Belmopan
San Pedro	Marilyn Ordenez Ag. Commissioner Income Tax Department Charles Bartlett Hyde Bldg. Belize City	Cynthia Castillo Ag. Commissioner Dept. of Sales Tax Charles Bartlett Hyde Bldg. Belize City
Benque Viejo	Justin Palacio Director Min. of the Public Service Sir Edney Cain Building City of Belmopan	Candelaria Saldivar Ag. Commissioner of Trans. M/Public Utilities & Trans. City of Belmopan

Dated this 21st day of January, 2009

RUTH A. MEIGHAN
Chief Elections Officer

The Weekly Chess Column

BY: David Coombs,
Cayo Chess Coordinator



This is the first in a series of articles about the game of chess.

In the coming weeks the column will teach how to play chess, set some puzzles for those who know how to play and give some interesting facts about the game.

Chess is the fastest growing sport in Belize, it is rapidly being introduced across the country in primary schools as an educational and motivational tool.

Chess helps to develop many

academic and social skills.

The game is played on a board which is the same as a checkers board but unlike checkers, in chess, every square is used. You will notice that the board has letters and numbers, this helps identify every square and we can describe moves using the letter and number.

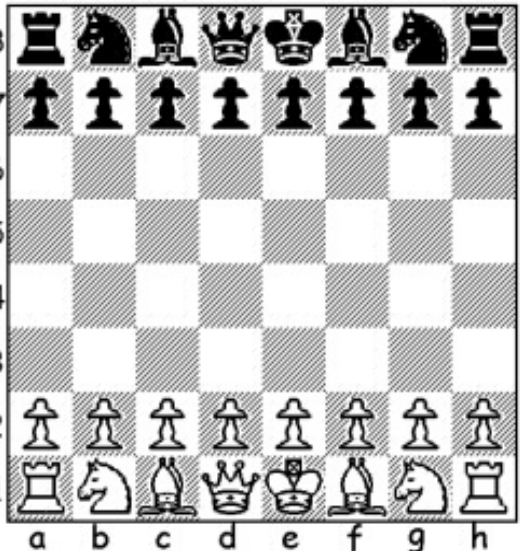
On the board there are 16 white pieces and 16 black pieces. The pieces on row 1 are as follows; a1 is a Rook, b1 is a Knight, c1 is a Bishop, d1 is the Queen, e1 the King. F1, g1 and h1 have another Bishop, Knight and Rook.

The black pieces are similar, the Queens always start on d1 and d8, to remember this, note that *'white Queen on white square, black Queen on black square'*.

Each week we will look at how pieces move. First the Pawns on row 2 for white and 7 for black. At first, each of the pawns can move either one or two squares straight forward. After the first move each pawn can then only move forward one square at a time.

Pawns are the only piece that capture in a different way than they move forward, they capture one square at an angle, diagonally. Another example, if white moves e2 to e4 and black moves f7 to f5 white can then capture the pawn by e4 captures f5.

You can practice playing with pawns only, even if you do not have a chess set, with a checkers board you can use beans instead of pawns (black eye beans and red beans!) set up 8 of each on the 2nd and 7th row and try a game.



Important reminders: **Pawns never can move backwards**, they only move at an angle when they capture, **they never jump over another pawn**, they capture on the same colour square. In chess, you do not have to capture, it is your choice to capture or not.

Fact: More books have been written about chess than any other sport or game.

CHAPTER 194, LAWS OF BELIZE (REVISED EDITION 2000) NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13

(From Page 15)

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3359

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 21/1999 dated 3rd January, 1999 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 1 of 1999 at Folios 187-192 in favour of ARMANDO ABELARDO VALDEZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900308

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 7 and being Parcel No. 5237

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance dated 29th March, 2003 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 14 of 2003 at Folios 299- 312 in favour of ANTHONY FIGEROUX & ALLISON PAYNE FIGEROUX.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900309

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ANN GABOUREL, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 402

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 149 of 1974 dated 13th June, 1974 in favour of ELUTERIO MENDEZ as administrator of the Estate of PETRONILO MENDEZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900310

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 1581

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 275 of 2004 dated 25th April, 2004 in favour of MATILDA BRICENO & RICARDO VELLO (Jointly)

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900336

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2169

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 0101/2006 dated 9th December 2005 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 2 of 2006 at Folios 327-344 in favour of RENAN JAVIER GONGORA & ELVIA FLORICEL GONGORA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900338

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, PLACENTIA NORTH, Block No. 36 and being Parcel No. 2055

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Gift No. 1070/1982 dated 29th September, 1982 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 13 of 1982 at Folios 11-20 in favour of ANTHONY EILEY.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900358

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 7 and being Parcel No. 177

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed Conveyance No. 536/1985 dated 20th May, 1985 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 6 of 1985 at Folios 477-489 in favour of GEORGE A. MARSHALL.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900362

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 1662

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 271/1984 dated 26th March, 1984 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 3 of 1984 at Folios 857-864 in favour of ROBERTO ROMAN MELENDEZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900363

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, TRIAL FARM, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 314

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 894 of 2002 dated 6th November, 2002 in favour of RICARDO NAH.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900365

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2649

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 1072 of 2000 dated 17th November, 2000 in favour of CECILIO ELMER CARBALLO.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900366

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section ANN GABOUREL, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3131

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 1369 of 2006 dated 7th November, 2006 in favour of CINDY COPO.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900384

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, PLACENTIA NORTH, Block No. 36 and being Parcel No. 1730 & 1895

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed Conveyance dated 25th August, 1970 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 5 of 1970 at Folios 341-350 in favour of MORREL YOUNG as Executor of Estate of Jane Young (Deceased)

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200900389

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SHIPSTERN/BULK-HEAD, Block No. 6 and being Parcel No. 19

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 171 of 2004 dated 20th February, 2004 in favour of WILLIAM STEWART.

Belizean Man Found Dead In Melchor, Guatemala

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during one of these checks that he saw the person on the ground and on closer observation he saw what appeared to be blood in the region of the person's head. He immediately contacted the police and the fire service. The firemen were the first to arrive on the scene. He said while the music is high pitched inside the bar, he did not hear any gunshot. He informed that the

Tourist Turned Community Volunteer

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Elena. It was whilst staying at the Aguada Hotel that he teamed up with **Fr. Robert Haas** and his group of volunteers comprising of the Toledo Diocesan Mission Team from Ohio, USA.

He dropped his original plans and set off with Fr. Haas and his team on their humanitarian mission. The first stop was at the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Primary School in the village of Bullet Tree Falls where he assisted the team in constructing almost 400 feet of sidewalks, painting the interior of all 12 classrooms and other carpentry and electrical works.

"It was a labor of love," said Mr. Davis, "I love children. In fact I have three lovely grandchildren and whatever work I do for the children in Bullet Tree Falls, I feel like I am doing it for my own grandchildren. I am very happy that Fr. Haas and his team gave me the opportunity to leave the place a little better than when I got there. I saw happiness on the faces of the children in Bullet Tree.

person was wearing short pants and that it was open and pulled down a bit below the waist suggesting that the person was either urinating or preparing to do so.

An official from the PNC confirmed receiving and responding to the report shortly after 9:0'clock that Friday night, he said that by the time they arrived on the scene the man was already presumed dead and they have neither motive, leads or

They were so eager to assist us with enhancing their learning environment as many of them brought paint brushes and other materials from their homes to help get the job done."

Mr. Davis' vacation ends on April 3 when he is scheduled to return home. We trust that he enjoys the remainder of his vacation and that he takes back only fond memories of his second visit to Belize.

any one arrested for the incident.

The policeman informed that upon closer examination the only visible injury on the deceased was a tiny hole, somewhat like a stab from a pointed object, at the base of the back of the head. He further informed since this Friday night's incident, they were called out to other scenes on Saturday night and again on Sunday night and that on these other two occasions they came upon dead bodies, both Guatemalan males, believed to be victims of murder.

Our investigation revealed that the deceased was no stranger to local police in Benque Viejo Town and in



La Puerta Negra - The body was found just off to the far right bottom corner of the above photograph

his home village of San Jose Succotz. The police informed that his house has been the subject of numerous searches for contraband goods from across the western border. It is strongly suspected that he might have run a foul in his dealings in Melchor.

La Puerta Negra provides adult entertainment and it boasts a healthy Belizean male customer base.

The deceased was laid to rest in his home village after funeral services on Sunday, January 25.

Elections and Boundaries Department Belize City, 21st January 2009

NOTICE

BELMOPAN CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, 4TH MARCH 2009 APPOINTMENT OF RETURNING OFFICER AND ELECTION CLERK

IT IS NOTIFIED for general information that the Elections and Boundaries Commission, pursuant to Section 18(1) of the Belmopan City Councils Act, Chapter 86 of the Laws of Belize, has appointed the **RETURNING OFFICER** named below for the Belmopan City Council Elections to be held on **Wednesday, the 4th of March 2009**, and the Chief Elections Officer, acting pursuant to Section 18(2) of the said Act, has appointed, with the approval of the Elections and Boundaries Commission, the **ELECTION CLERK** named below for the said Belize City Council Election:-

TOWNS

Belmopan

RETURNING OFFICER

Eugene Palacio
Director of Local Government
Ministry of Labour
City of Belmopan

ELECTION CLERKS

Godfrey Arzu
Assistant Comptroller
Customs & Excise Dept.
Belize City

Dated this 21st day of January, 2009

RUTH A. MEIGHAN
Chief Elections Officer

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REGION	VENUE	PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS	REGIONAL FINALS	FINALS
North A Thur. Feb. 12th 8:30 AM	Orange Walk Multi Purpose Building	1. Belize High School of Agriculture	REGIONAL FINALIST	NATIONAL CHAMPION Thur, March 12th 10:00 AM Belize City Center
		2. Escuela Secundaria Mexico		
		3. King's College		
		4. Muffles College		
		5. New Hope High School		
		6. Orange Walk Technical High		
North B Thur. Feb. 12th 1:30 PM	Orange Walk Multi Purpose Building	1. Belize Adventist College	REGIONAL FINALIST	
		2. Bishop Martin High School		
		3. Chunox St. Viator Vocational High School		
		4. Cornerstone Christian Academy		
		5. Corozal Community College		
		6. Linda Vista High School		
		7. San Juan Bautista High School (Night School)		
Central A Wed. Feb. 18th 8:30 AM	Belize City Center	1. Edward P. Yorke High School	REGIONAL FINALIST	
		2. Gwen Lizarraga High School		
		3. Sadie Vernon Technical High School		
		4. St. Catherine's Academy		
		5. St. Michael College		
		6. Belize Rural High School		
		7. St. Peter's College		
Central B Wed. Feb. 18th 1:30 PM	Belize City Center	1. Anglican Cathedral College	REGIONAL FINALIST	
		2. Cannan SDA High School		
		3. Ladyville Technical High School		
		4. Nazarene High School		
		5. Pallotti High School		
		6. St. John's College		
		7. Wesley College		
		8. San Pedro High School		
West Tues. Feb. 24th 9:00 AM	University of Belize Gymnasium (Belmopan)	1. Belize Christian Academy High School	REGIONAL FINALIST	
		2. Belmopan Baptist High School		
		3. Belmopan Comprehensive School		
		4. Mopan Technical High School		
		5. Mount Carmel High School		
		6. Our Lady of Guadalupe		
		7. Sacred Heart College		
		8. St. Ignatius High School		
		9. Western Christian Academy		
South Thur. Feb. 26th 9:00 AM	Sacred Heart Parish Hall Dangriga	1. Delille Academy	REGIONAL FINALIST	
		2. Independence High School		
		3. Julian Cho Technical High School		
		4. Stann Creek Ecumenical College		
		5. Toledo Community College		

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