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GERMANS REPORTED THEFT OF ALMOST 190 THOUSAND DOLLARS IN PROPERTY

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo District, Wednesday, August 5, 2009:

Two German businessmen visited the San Ignacio Police Station today and reported the theft of over 187 thousand dollars in property both suspecting the crimes to have been committed by an American man in whose charge they left their properties for safekeeping.

In the first instance, **Peter Albert Steins**, 55, reported that in January 2009, he purchased the furnished Paradise Estate Resort, formerly Casa Maya, from a company known as Involved Limited. The resort is located on the Western Highway on the outskirts of San Ignacio Town on the left side of the road leading to Benque Viejo Town.

Steins reported that after purchasing the property he hired an American man, **Lee Paden**, to continue working as a maintenance worker. He informed that he had known Paden for about five years.

One month later, in February 2009, Steins departed Belize on a trip to the United States leaving Paden in charge of the



property.

Steins reportedly returned to Belize one month later, in March 2009, and upon arrival he found the main buildings and all 8 cabañas, cleaned out of all the furnishings, including beds, mattresses, tables, chairs, blenders, mixers, pots, pans, spoons, forks, electrical tools, tool sets, battery chargers, aluminum ladders, lawn

mowers, weed whackers, bed sheets, table cloths, pillows, towels and an assortment of local and imported liquors. He estimates the total value of the missing items at 28 thousand, eight hundred Belize dollars.

Steins told the police that about two weeks ago a male friend visited him at the resort and when he saw the bed inside his room, the friend reportedly

told Steins that he has one identical to it which he bought from Lee Paden. The friend alleges that Paden requested a cash payment of 12 hundred dollars for the bed and that he instead paid him with a cheque.

Although a statement was recorded from Steins, the question that should be troubling investigators is: **Why did it take**

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Let Perpetual Calm Prevail

Like day follows night, so does the calm come after the storm.

In terms of the crime situation within the community, after last week's "*storm*" which resulted in the stabbing death of a young boy at a nightclub in San Ignacio, the week just ended was relatively "*calm*". And oh, how we hope that it would remain perpetually calm as it relates to the seemingly senseless loss of human life.

Apart from two Germans reporting the theft of almost 190 thousand dollars in property and a carnal knowledge charge against a 32 year old Honduran national resulting from a report by a 14 year old girl, the police blotter this week was relatively "*calm*" as it relates to SERIOUS crimes.

We trust that by providing a little more information than that which is contained in routine police press reports, those with intent to commit senseless crimes would come to the realization that when the proverbial S _ _ T hits the fan, their "*BEST FRIENDS*" who are in their company when the crime is committed are instantly transformed into their **WORSE ENEMIES** as the investigation unfolds and the recording of statements commences. In these instances, without failure, it's every man for himself as each goes to any length to protect their skin as they scramble to avoid arrest, charge, incarceration and negative publicity.

We continue to maintain that the excessive consumption of alcoholic beverages is at the very center of violent crimes in the nation. We commend the police for clamping down on those establishments that are in continuous violation of the Intoxicating Liquor Licensing especially as it pertains to opening beyond closing time. We note with interest however, that the maximum fine prescribed by law for this offence is a measly 100 dollars. Imagine, a 100 dollar fine for an infraction which could result in the loss of human life.

On the flip side, as can be noted, on page 5 of this edition of the newspaper, an infraction of the new PUC Act, as it pertains to telecommunication providers not licensed to provide telecommunication services in Belize, is a whopping half a million dollars.

In terms of miniscule fines, the same applies for the illegal sale of lottery which deprives government of millions of dollars in annual revenues. We are however, prepared to bet our last dollar, that with the coming on stream of the private management of the national boledo and lottery, the pertinent legislation will be revised and penalties for violating the new sets of lottery laws will be multiplied by ten if not hundred fold.

Why then is the same level of importance not afforded to the protection of life and property? Must it come to the point where, like telecommunication and lottery, this sacred responsibility of the state must end up under private management before someone somewhere begins to recognize the need for serious revision of these fines and to bring them in par with the crime?

In these days, where the issue of crime comes second

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only to the state of the national economy, the system is still charging \$5.00 as the cost of court. The time has long past for the cost not only to be increased but also for it to be paid forthwith before the convict is released from custody. As in the majority of instances those who are ordered to pay this fine and given a time to pay it, never make good on the court order and so the cycle of criminal behavior continues.

On a final note, we have always maintained that **STAR Readers** are intelligent people with total capacity to pick sense out of nonsense and as such we endeavor our utmost best to provide the catalyst for discussion. Classic examples this week are articles by **Joe Awe** and **Dr. Robert Bennett** on pages 11 and 12 as well as **Sharon Matola's** letter to the editor on page 4 and **BECOL's** full page ad on page 16. We are confident that **STAR Readers** are fully capable of harnessing the information and drawing their own conclusions.

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him so long, over 4 months, to report the matter?

In the second case, **Gerhard Max Holscher**, 65, refrigeration technician, currently residing in Louisiana, California, reported that about 2 years ago he shipped a 40 foot loaded container from California to Belize by sea.

The container remained on the compound at Casa Maya Resort until March 2008 when it was moved to Chuc's Service Station in San Ignacio Town where it was reportedly entered into and its contents removed.

The list of missing items is said to include a freezer, and other electrical appliances along with a wide assortment of electrical and mechanical tools and supplies with an estimated value of 79 thousand, 570 U.S. dollars.

In a statement to the police, Holscher informed that he

received a report about the container being burglarized and when he visited the location, he found it emptied of its contents. Since there was no sign of forced entry, he suspects that the same **Lee Paden, (originally from Austin, Texas, USA)**, caretaker at Casa Maya, might have gotten possession of the original key, duplicated it, and used the duplicate to enter the container thereby making off with its contents.

While **Steins** and **Holscher** are both requesting court action, San Ignacio police informed that they might be faced with extreme difficulty in questioning the suspect since, during the latter part of May 2009, he was arrested in Belize and handed over to US law enforcement officers, as he was found to be a fugitive of US law and was wanted in the States on a sexual offence and other charges.

Mid-day Robbery - Robber KILLED

BELIZE CITY, Monday, 3 August 2009:

It was high noon today, Friday, July 31, when a robber, fresh out of jail, was killed on a busy street in Belize City as he was fleeing the scene after pulling off a fast one.

He was picked up off the ground where he fell and rushed to the Belize City Hospital but on arrival he was pronounced dead from multiple gunshot wounds to the body.

Police investigations revealed that at a few minutes after the noon hour, **Egbert Bevans**, 27, was inside a yard with some friends at #16 Vernon Street when a male person rode up on a bicycle. He, dropped the bicycle, pulled out a gun and pointed it at Bevan demanding that he hand over his property, Bevans complied with the request and handed over his jewelry, cellular and cash. With the property in his possession, the assailant picked up his bicycle and rode out of the yard when Bevans pulled out his licensed 9 mm pistol and ordered



**The Deceased Robber
Roshane Steven
Andrewin, 22**

the assailant to return his stolen property.

The assailant reportedly turned around and pointed the gun at Bevans who was apparently quicker to the draw firing off six shots at the assailant.

The man and bicycle fell to the pavement on Vernon street and within minutes a police mobile arrived on the scene where they encountered the injured man, his bicycle and the unlicensed pistol he was carrying.

Bevans reportedly turned in

his licensed 9mm pistol to the police and accompanied them to the station where he filed a report on the incident.

When the police arrived at the emergency unit of the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital they were directed to the the already pronounced dead body of the assailant who was identified as **Roshane Steven Andrewin**, 22 of #163 Antelope Street on the Southside of the city.

Police also recovered, from inside the pocket of the pants he was wearing, the stolen items which were identified by Egbert Bevans to be his property.

The post mortem examination conducted by Police Pathologist **Dr Mario Estradabran** on Monday, August 3 certified that Roshane Steven Andrewin's death was as a result of *"Exanguination due to internal bleeding as a consequence of multiple gunshot wounds."*

A police case file has since been prepared and sent to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions for legal determination of charges, if any will be brought

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against Egbert Bevans.

The deceased Rushane Andrewin is no stranger to the police. It was only 4 months ago when he and an older brother, **Troy Dawson**, were released from Central Prison after spending almost two years behind bar accused of the May 2007, murder of **Meldrick Flowers**. They were freed when the Prosecution entered a nolle prosequi because the main witness could not be found.



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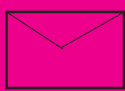
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Deadline for entries is August 28th, 2009

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Readers Write



Readers Interaction

ED. NOTE: In the below "Readers Interaction, the QUESTIONS are asked by Mrs. Beth Roberson and the ANSWERS are provided by Dr. Marvin Manzanero

Dear Editor,

Thank you for the Dengue article in edition #194 of the STAR Newspaper.

I would appreciate if you could clarify a few points, as we hear conflicting information.

QUESTION: If someone has one type of Dengue, does it make him immune from contracting that same type of Dengue again? Some say yes, and some say that you can contract it a second time and that that second time, it is much worse?

ANSWER: In dengue there are basically 4 viral sub-types but the clinical disease of dengue is the same. In Belize there is evidence to suggest that the 4 subtypes are in fact present. Initially dengue fever

is caused by a primary ("first time") infection.

QUESTION: Please answer the same questions, regarding Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever too.

Is there any cross immunity (having one type rendering the person some protection from contracting the other type)?

ANSWER: No, you can get infected from any of the 4 sub types and no immunity is conferred between the subtypes. Dengue hemorrhagic fever usually follows a secondary infection.

QUESTION: Also, how long is a person with/that has had either Dengue type contagious?

ANSWER: Dengue is not contagious per se, it is transmitted by a mosquito bite.

The Chalillo Dam And Flooding Downstream

Dear Editor:

Once again, and with a full page newspaper broadcast, BEL/FORTIS is praising itself for flood control in Cayo.

Everyone should be aware that, with excessive rainfall, water pours over the dam, raging downstream minus any sediment load.

Naturally -occurring sediments add a "slow-down" effect to the oncoming waters. However, the sediments are held back by the dam. This information can be verified by hydrologists.

A flood situation, reflecting this very situation, occurred in

the Cayo District last October. Huge financial losses, as well as property losses, occurred.

To date, there is still no Emergency Evacuation Plan in place.

Deceptive information from foreign-owned BEL/FORTIS should not be surprising. After all, these are the people who erased the fault line, located near the construction site of the Chalillo Dam, from the geology reports developed during the planning of the dam.

**Sharon Matola,
Belize Zoo & Tropical
Education Center**

Wildlife Conservation Networking Conference

BY: Cynthia Reece

THURSDAY, August 6, 2009:

Galen University is hosting a Wildlife Conservation Networking Conference to strengthen and enhance the cooperation among the wildlife conservation organizations in Belize (Forest Department, NGOs and other projects).

The conference will run from Friday, August 14th to Sunday, August 16th, 2009 at the University's campus, Central Farm Cayo.

There will be a variety of presentations and discussion on topics, proposed by different organizations like ACES, The

Belize Zoo, Belize Bird Rescue, BWB-ASF, CASA, Herpetarium, FCD, FWC, TIDE, Wildlife Care Center, Panthera as well as individual researchers, lodges and private land owners.

The Forest Department, as the legal government entity for the wildlife of Belize, will be contributing to the presentations and discussions.

Protected Areas Conservation Trust (PACT) is supporting the conference with a Workshop grant.

More information on the conference can be obtained by, please click on the following link: www.galenu.edu.bz/wildlife/

The Belizean Police



**BY: George Gomez,
Belizean Poet
& Play Writer**

No one knows who they are or how much they do,
We see them from afar, in their Khaki and Blue,
They wonder on the streets night and day,
Faceless expressions of a civilian once merry I pray,
The work on their faces, determined for a fight,
To capture the bad guys, in surrender, or flight.

A once communal citizen, now a messenger of hope,
Against murderers, burglars, pedophiles and traffickers of dope,
The once joyful clueless Belizean girls or boys,
Now a weapon in a system where guns are no longer toys,
A man or a woman walking the beat,
Protecting the cities, towns and villages with tireless feet,
Some with guns and others with sticks
Many with courage, a prayer and a ton of wit.

The adventurous on bicycles they mount,
Riding the zones searching, on the prowl, on the hunt,
Others in vehicles and motorcycles they parade,
Driving uptown, downtown with colorful lights forming their
shade,
And others still remain out of sight, sitting in offices with pen in
hand,
Recording statements, and processing those that insist in
breaking the laws of the land.

They live humble lives of quiet despair,
Some with families and children and others just the job to care,
They move back and forth, go here and there,
Busy soldiers following orders that the ordinary would never
dare,
An arrest here, a gunshot there, running behind the thief hoping
he's not armed,
Praying for a miracle that no one is injured as he is caught and
the cuffs on his dishonest hands is placed,

Some are young, others are old,
Mestizo, Mayan, Ketchi, Garifuna, and Creole,
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More Classroom Space For Southern School

BELMOPAN CITY, Monday, August 3, 2009:

The Social Investment Fund (SIF) today informed that ground will soon be broken on Friday, August 7 for the construction of three additional classrooms at Midway Government School in the Toledo District.

The project will serve to reduce the overcrowding at the school. It will entails the construction of a three classroom building on top of the existing ground floor level. The building housing the three new classrooms will measure 72 feet long by 25 1/2 feet wide along with a 72 feet long by 5 1/2 wide verandah with two stairways, one at both ends.

Apart from the necessary furniture, the classrooms will be fitted with movable metal shutters which can be drawn apart whenever the need for larger space arises. The classrooms will also be equipped with blackboards that will be attached to the walls.

The implementing agency for

the project is the Social Investment Fund, a statutory body under the auspices of the Ministry of Economic Development.

The project is funded by the Government of Belize through loan funding from the Caribbean Development Bank in the sum of \$175,549.65

Midway Village is situated 22 miles southwest of Punta Gorda Town in the Toledo District. It has a population of about 275 persons and was established in 1990 by Maya Qe'qchi farmers seeking more fertile lands for farming. The residents are mainly indigenous Mayas.

The village has grown in numbers and so has the school population.

The 116 students and 5 teachers are presently congested in small spaces due to overcrowding and limited space.

The project will therefore provide much needed upgrade to the classroom space at the school. It will improve the teaching and learning environment for both teachers and

students.

The additional new classroom space will allow the school to install a computer lab. The new building will also serve as a hurricane shelter.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be the **Hon. Eden Martinez**, Area Representative for Toledo East / Minister of Human Development and Social Transformation


Addresses will also be delivered by representatives from the Ministry of Education, the Social Investment Fund, the Midway Village Council, the Local Alcalde and the principal of Midway Government Primary School.

The SIF is the Government of Belize's main implementing agency of projects aimed at addressing the basic needs of all Belizeans in an honest and transparent manner utilizing a community-based approach. Established as a statutory body in 1996, SIF has implemented 427 projects valued at \$52.6 M in the areas of Water and Sanitation, Health, Economic Infrastructure, Education, Social Services, Organizational Strengthening and Micro-credit.

For further information, please contact **Mr. Mike Hernandez Jr.** J.P., Director of Public Relations, Social Investment Fund, Tel: 822-0239 or via email at mike.hernandez@sifbelize.org

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The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has confirmed that there are businesses and individuals in western Belize, particularly Benque Viejo del Carmen, who are selling and purchasing Pre-paid Phone Cards and Wireless Internet Modems provided by Guatemalan Telecommunication Providers that are not licensed to provide Telecommunication Services in Belize.

The PUC hereby advises the general public that such activity is contrary to Section 48 (e) of the Belize Telecommunications Act, and upon summary conviction, carries a fine of up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) or imprisonment of up to Five (5) years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

In addition, this illegal activity negatively impacts the Telecommunications Industry, the Economy and the National Security of Belize.

At present the PUC is communicating with its Guatemalan counterpart, Superintendencia de Telecomunicaciones de Guatemala (SIT), to resolve this issue.

The PUC has an obligation to protect the interests of licensed Telecommunication Service Providers in Belize and will make every effort to enforce the Belize Telecommunications Act.

The PUC therefore strongly advises all businesses and individuals involved in the selling and purchasing of Pre-Paid Phone Cards and Wireless Internet Modems provided by Guatemalan Telecommunication Providers to immediately cease from carrying out such illegal activities.

Despite Threats Of Rain Belmopan Day Was A Success



By: Oscar Ramjeet
BELMOPAN CITY, Monday,
August 3, 2009:

Despite dark clouds indicating signs of rain, a large crowd crowd turned out on Saturday at the Governor General Field for the Belmopan Day annual celebrations.

I was impressed with the programme planned by the Belmopan City Council under the leadership of **Mayor Simeon Lopez**.

As a new resident of Belmopan, who has lived in several countries including Guyana, Trinidad and Tobago,

Barbados, Montserrat, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, Florida, and even Germany, I was very impressed with the performance of the 45-member strong Succotz Marching Band under the leadership of **Francelia Alfaro** in which young girls below the age of 17 participated. There was a little one who looks no more than five.

They displayed their talent which can match those in the Caribbean and maybe the wider world.

Nicasio Peck's performance on the harp was magnificent and I have no doubt that his village of Armenia must be proud of him. He personally makes his harp with local material and designs his own violin and guitar which make up his three- piece orchestra.

The New Rebels Band supplied the Caribbean type music which had a few swaying

to the rhythm.

Cultural Ambassador **Poots "The Titiman" Flores** was in attendance and he assisted the organizers which include Events Co-ordinator, **Tricia Pelayo**.



A section of the Succotz Marching Band -
Photo by: Belize Archives and Records Office

The crowd had an opportunity to look at the wonderful display by the Belize Archives and Records Service, and several commercial houses including three Banks: Scotia, First Caribbean, and Atlantic, as well as Grace Kennedy, Belize Diesel & Equipment Company, Caribbean Tyres, and others.

The Red Cross, Girl Guides, and service clubs, Rotary and Lions also had booths.

The activities were varied including a five-a-side football game, greasy pole, beer drinking contest, a 50-meter sack race and other activities.

Saturday was celebrated as the 39th anniversary of the establishment of Belmopan as capital of this Central American country.

Belmopan was dedicated to the people of Belize in a ground breaking ceremony on October 9, 1965 by the then Secretary of State in the British Government, **Anthony Greenwood**.

According to a pamphlet issued by the Archives and Records Office, the idea for a new Capital had been discussed for many years, but it was Hurricane Hattie that spurred an urgent decision. Hattie had destroyed a large part of the

coastal regions in Belize, causing the death of more than 250 people. The cost of the damage was more than 30 million dollars.

NOTE: Oscar Ramjeet is Belize's new Solicitor General. He is also a well known Caribbean journalist

Vacancy Notice Electronic Technician

Department of Meteorology
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Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the post of Electronic Technician in the Department of Meteorology, Ministry of Natural Resources and the Environment. The qualifications required for appointment to the post and its associated duties and responsibilities are incinerated hereunder:-

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QUALIFICATION: Minimum Requirements

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Do The Right Thing Continues Under Police Commissioner, Crispin Jefferies

OLD BELIZE CULTURAL & HISTORICAL CENTER, Mile 5, Western Highway, Belize City, Wednesday, August 5, 2009:

The “*Do The Right Thing*” program began three years ago under former Police Commissioner, **Gerald Westby** and, true to his commitment at the time of taking over command of the department, the program continues under Commissioner **Crispin Jefferies**.

The third annual Do the Right Thing award ceremony was held on Wednesday, August 5, at the Old Belize Cultural & Historical Center, Mile 5 on the Western Highway. The official ceremony began at 10:30 a.m.

In a brief address, Police Commissioner Crispin Jefferies highlighted the importance of the Do the Right Thing program: “*This program is important because it links the community and the police in paying*



This year’s Top Awardee - JESUSCITA CASTELLANOS from Benque Viejo Town, Cayo. She was 36 years of age when she graduated from Mount Carmel High School last year

tribute to positive acts by youth at a time when there is much focus on negative events.” said Commissioner Jefferies
Ms. Jesuscita Castellanos,

from Mount Carmel High School in Benque Viejo, was this year’s First Place Awardee. She gave a compelling and moving account of how she

came to be recognized for the prestigious award.

She said that she was only nine years of age when her parents separated, she was made to care for eleven siblings and so a formal education was out of her reach. After having seen them complete their primary education. After selflessly sacrificing her opportunity for that of her siblings, she enrolled in Mount Carmel High School to seek her own chance at a formal education.

As the Top Awardee, Jesuscita received a scholarship to pursue an Associates Degree at the University of Belize which came courtesy of the Ministry of Education. She also received a lap top computer and a printer.

The **second place** award, and an Associates Degree scholarship sponsored by the Belize Natural Energy Limited went to **Jerry Ramirez** from Eden High School, Santa Elena, Cayo.

The **third place** award and a \$3,500 scholarship from First Caribbean Bank went to **Yesenia Mejia** from Independence High, Independence Village in the Stann Creek District.

Keirah Mclaughlin from Orange Walk Technical High in Orange Walk Town came in **fourth** thereby laying claim to an Associates Degree Scholarship which came courtesy of St. John’s College JC.

Fifth place was awarded to **Mark Anderson**, from Sacred Heart High School, San Ignacio Town, Cayo. He received a \$1,000.00 cash award from Atlantic Bank Limited, payable towards furthering his education at the 6th Form level.

Special invited guest for the occasion was the Chief Executive Officer in the Ministry of National Security, **Brig. Gen. (R) Lloyd Gillett**, deputizing for the Minister of National Security **Hon. Carlos Perdomo** who, due to other pressing national commitments, was unable to attend the ceremony.

The vote of thanks was delivered by the Commander, Community Policing, Assistant Superintendent of Police **Bartolomew “Bart” Jones** who expressed the Department’s sincere appreciation to the business community for generously supporting the program through the years.

Ousted Honduran President Visits Mexico

EMBASSY OF MEXICO, Belmopan, Wednesday, August 5, 2009:

The Mexican Embassy, Belize informs that ousted Honduran President **Manuel Zelaya** spoke with Foreign Secretary, **Patricia Espinosa**, on Wednesday night during which he reiterated his thanks for the kindnesses shown

him during his recent visit to Mexico.

The release also informs that President Zelaya assured Foreign Secretary Espinoza that statements attributed to him by the media indicating that he had supported a former presidential candidate were false, and that he denied them completely.

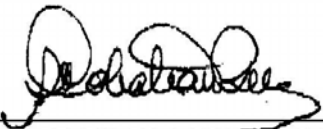
Foreign Secretary Espinosa thanked President Zelaya for the clarification, and repeated the desire of President Felipe Calderón’s government for a rapid solution to the crisis in Honduras and for the restoration of democracy and constitutional order in his country

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.
JUAN GABRIEL OROZCO	4497/2000	COROZAL NORTH	2027
ABELINO ANDRES MOH	372/2004	SANTA CLARA/SAN ROMAN	309

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


(PATRICIA ROBATEAU PEREZ) (MRS.)
for AG. DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF LANDS

★ STAR HUMOR ★

When Drinking - Know Your Friends

Two men are drinking inside a bar at the top of the Empire State Building.

One turns to the other and says, *"You know, last week I discovered that if you jump from the top of this building, by the time you fall to the 10th floor, the wind around the building is so intense that it carries you around the building and back into the window on the 10th floor."*

The bartender just shakes his head in disapproval while wiping the bar.

The second guy says, **"What are you a nut? There is no way in hell that could happen."**

"No, it's true," said the first man, *"let me prove it to you."*

He gets up from the bar, jumps over the balcony, and is falling to the street below. When he passes the 10th floor, the high wind whips him around the building and back into the 10th

floor window and he takes the elevator back up to the bar.

He met the second man, who looked quite astonished. **"You know, I saw that with my own eyes, but that must have been a one time fluke."**

"No, I'll prove it again," says the first man as he jumps. Again just as he is hurling toward the street, the 10th floor wind gently carries him around the building and into the window.

Once upstairs he urges the other drinker to try it. **"Well, what the hell,"** the second guy says, **"it works, I'll try it!"**

He jumps over the balcony plunges downward, passes the 12th, 11th, 10th, 9th, 8th floors ...and hits the sidewalk with a **'splat.'**

Back upstairs the Bartender turns to the other drinker, saying **"You know, Superman, you're a real weird guy when you're drunk."**

Misunderstanding the Message

An explorer, in the deepest Amazon Jungle, suddenly finds himself surrounded by a bloodthirsty group of natives.

Upon surveying the situation, he whispers to himself *"Oh God, I'm screwed!!!!!"*

There is a ray of light from

heaven and a voice booms out: **"No, you are NOT screwed. Pick up that stone at your feet and bash in the head of the chief standing in front of you."**

So the explorer picks up the stone and bashed the living heck

out of the chief.

As he stands above the lifeless body, breathing heavily and surrounded by 100 natives with a look of shock on their faces, Gods voice booms out again: **"Okay NOW you're screwed."**

It's like Music To The Ears of Henry Jones

Henry Jones goes the Office of the Prime Minister and says: **"I want to speak to Prime Minister Musa."**

The receptionist replies, *"I'm sorry but Mr. Musa is no longer the Prime Minister of Belize."*

The next day he visits again and asks the very same question.

The receptionist replies, *"Sir, I told you yesterday, Mr. Musa is no longer the Prime Minister of Belize."*

The next day Jones visits again and asks to speak to Prime Minister Musa.

By this time the receptionist is getting a little annoyed and says, *"I keep telling you Sir, Said Musa is no longer the Prime Minister of Belize. Why do you keep coming here asking the same question?"*

Jones replies, **"It's because I just love hearing the sound of those words. It's like music to my ears."**

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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, PATRICIA ROBATEAU PEREZ**, for Registrar of Lands, hereby serve 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.


(PATRICIA ROBATEAU PEREZ) (MRS.)
for REGISTRAR OF LANDS

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200905988

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 1875

This parcel of land is the subject of an Assent No. 525/2008 dated 13th February, 2008 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 7 of 2008 at Folios 135-140 in favour of **ANTONIO EUSEBIO ORELLANA and LEYLA ORELLANA**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906214

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **QUEEN SQUARE WEST**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 437

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 804 of 2004 dated 10th October, 2004 in favour of **CARMELA REYES**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906223

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **PORT/ LOYOLAVILLE**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 144

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 62 of 1998 dated 3rd February, 1998 in favour of **ALLAN FELIX**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906243

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **PORT/ LOYOLAVILLE**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1940

This parcel of land is the subject of 8 Grant Fiat No. 677 of 2000 dated 30th July, 2000 in favour of **NORMA SIMPSON**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906255

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **FORT GEORGE/ PICKSTOCK**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1102

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1644/2006 dated 31st May, 2006 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 21 of 2006 at Folios 1281- 1298 in favour of **ALAN BURN**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906275

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This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 464/2002 dated 14th June, 2002 in favour of **MIGUEL GUERRA**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906278

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **BELIZE RURAL NORTH II**, Block No. 11 and being Parcel No. 315

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No 1800/96 dated 2nd August, 1996 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 17 of 1996 at Folios 1363-1374 in favour of **ETHEL ELIZABETH MCCULLOCK**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906282

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **SAN IGNACIO NORTH**, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1614

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1756 of 2002 dated 21st June, 2002 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 22 of 2002 at Folios 665-670 in favour of **PAMELA SCOTT**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906360

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **PORT/ LOYOLAVILLE**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1083

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 2427 of 2006 dated 30th June, 2006 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 31 of 2006 at Folios 509 - 516 in favour of **JIN FENG LEE and CHEN YU MEI**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906393

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 701

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1604 of 1991 dated 2nd September, 1991 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 18 of 1991 at Folios 257 - 264 in favour of **ROQUE LINO**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906394

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 672

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 303 of 1999 dated 25th January, 1999 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 3 of 1999 at Folios 1123 - 1128 in favour of **ROQUE LINO SR. and ROQUE LINO JR.**

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906395

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 686

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APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906396

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **ORANGE WALK TOWN**, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 673

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 304 of 1999 dated 25th January, 1999 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 3 of 1999 at Folios 1129 - 1134 in favour of **ROQUE LINO SR. and RAQUEL LINO**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906427

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **SAN IGNACIO NORTH**, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1760

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 506/1986 dated 9th June, 1986 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 5 of 1986 at Folios 735-740 in favour of **JULIA MADRID**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906456

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **DANGRIGA NORTH**, Block No. 31 and being Parcel No. 1402.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Gift No. 63 of 2009 dated 9th January, 2009 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 1 of 2009 at Folios 1381 - 1390 in favour of **HENRY ANDERSON**.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200906466

This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, **BURDON CANAL**, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 175

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 1123/2006 dated 3rd November, 2006 in favour of **ALFREDO ALDANA**.

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Your Horoscope & Lucky Numbers

ARIES: March 22 to April 20



Agree to disagree where there is contention; the alternative is a compromise that satisfies no one. Don't be a spendthrift. There are a number of temptations coming your way to make you part with your finances. **Lucky numbers: 02, 31, 67.**

TAURUS: April 21 to May 21



Family relationships are well starred. You're also getting on with people you normally consider to be either difficult or excitable. This outgoing phase may not last but it helps you understand people better. **Lucky numbers: 13, 72, 98.**

GEMINI: May 22 to June 21



Your outgoing, friendly and fun loving side comes to the fore. You might circulate amongst friends, online buddies and colleagues and catch up on all their news. **Lucky numbers: 19, 44, 61.**

CANCER: June 22 to July 23



Now and again you feel a little restless. There's a strong need to get away from it all. By the end of the week you may feel inclined to book a holiday if you haven't already done so. **Lucky numbers: 20, 42, 70.**

LEO: July 24 to August 21



Within your closest relationships, there is a note of caution which suggests you shouldn't do anything to rock the love boat. A sudden burst of temper may see you saying things you don't mean. **Lucky numbers: 33, 55, 80.**

VIRGO: August 22 to September 21



Persevere no matter what your problems. Mix with positive people and watch for opportunities that might help you get ahead. Intuitive knowledge helps you know when to make your move. **Lucky numbers: 17, 41, 78.**

LIBRA: September 22 to October 23



Expect good things to happen to you and you will attract good fortune your way. Luck is just around the corner even if life seems to hold little in the way of excitement these days. Respond quickly to a sudden proposal. **Lucky numbers: 05, 24, 39.**



SCORPIO: October 24 to November 21

Expecting to win can help in a number of areas of your life. If you have a job interview, imagine that you've already got the job. You'll feel less nervous and will perform better by believing in yourself. **Lucky numbers: 08, 46, 85.**

SAGITTARIUS: November 22 to December 21



You could do with a holiday. If you can't get away, you might enjoy taking journeys of the mind. Your imagination will be working overtime. Study and philosophical subjects are a main attraction. **Lucky numbers: 12, 37, 91.**

CAPRICORN: December 22 to January 20



Be imaginative. Look for ways to bring more creativity to your working and family life. Messages and new information hold clues about new future possibilities. **Lucky numbers: 10, 58, 82.**

AQUARIUS: January 21 to February 19



An official or senior colleague might change their mind about an issue already agreed on. Since this different approach will work in your favour, you will have nothing to complain about. **Lucky Numbers: 07, 50, 94.**

PISCES: February 20 to March 21



Expect friends and lovers to be charming, friendly and supportive. Someone is more revealing than they ever have been before and this could take relationships onto a new and more intimate level. **Lucky numbers: 11, 59, 87.**

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The Debate On Dual Citizenship Rages On

JOE AWE IS AGAINST IT

BY: Joe Awe, San Ignacio

A people's constitution is the most sacred law that any country can produce to benefit all peoples alive today and those that will be born in the future.

No person, no group, powerful or weak, should have the power enough to tamper with or change the constitution if that change will not be made for the alleviation of situations or systems that are detrimental to a better life and the pursuit of happiness, which should benefit all Belizeans today and in the future.

To attempt to tamper with this great contract for some temporary "**bind**" or, to amend this contract even when there is still the possibility to remedy what a government believes to be no other alternative within the limits of the greater country, is undoubtedly not acceptable for and on behalf of every citizen here today or those yet unborn.

A forum is being held throughout the country – a



consultation – where the government is listening to ideas about their intent to amend the constitution of Belize.

The proposed amendment that is highlighted in this writing is the Dual Citizenship participants in the House of Representatives (HOR). It is to my belief that perhaps the two larger political parties should amend their own constitutions before even thinking about touching the "**People's contract**".

What this particular amendment is suggesting is that

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ROBERT E. BENNETT SUPPORTS IT

BY: Robert E. Bennett, PhD, Los Angeles California

I hasten to write concerning the proposed change in the Belizean Constitution to allow Belizeans with **Dual Citizenship to run for public office and the right to VOTE** in Belize using a similar system used by other countries in the Diaspora.

I think this is a long overdue aspiration of Belizeans living abroad to re-establish their rightful claim to become home men and home women of Belize! It is in keeping with economic, cultural, historical, educational as well as social best interest of our homeland Belize!

Let us examine the economic interest of Belize:

Belizeans abroad have contributed through financial remittances to their root families countless millions of dollars to the revenue of Belize not to mention also for decades contributed to the welfare

of Belize millions of barrels of clothing, food, medicine including psychotropic prescription drugs, financing costs of building of homes, clinics, schools, scholarships, churches, books, musical instruments, seeds, water system, technical skills, training Belizeans for service in Belize in Dialysis, Cancer Care at home and abroad, Educational Conferences, Medical Equipment, Adoptions (*Home Study*), Cruise Line promotion, just to mention a few.

Belizeans abroad have also contributed to the social institutions in Belize. They pioneered the development of Local Government throughout Belize by organizing Village Councils throughout Belize fostering the "**Making of the New Belize**." They assisted in the development of the Disability Act empowerment among the blind, the aged, the

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there is no “*single citizenship*” Belizean in this country that have the necessary training and capacity to sit and excel in the HOR today with the necessary requisite expertise. The people the political parties give us to vote for during the political season, and in this instance today, proves that there is dire need to improve their constitutions. This is poor planning and organizing at the party level and democracy is not to be blamed!

We love our Belizean countrymen that live throughout the world too. In fact, some of us actually have families that are citizens in other countries all over the world, but, the CONSTITUTION of Belize states that they cannot serve in the HOR if they hold a second citizenship from another country. (*Can we possibly understand the argument that may have taken place in this instance by the original writers of the Constitution to make certain this was withheld?*) There is nothing wrong with our Belizean constitution presently that needs amending. There is **something wrong with the political parties own constitutions.** They need to review and amend their constitutions to the tune of perhaps:

* Ensuring that the people participating as candidates on their party tickets, meet particular education levels that will make them fit to serve in any particular area of government – there should be no more: “*well he or she (minister) only has a high school diploma so let’s blame the opposition because the minister couldn’t understand*” – the people always lose in cases like these; or worst, let’s amend the constitution to “*save face*”

*Community standing – what have they ever done for their own communities? Not only when they are in government, but especially when they are not in political office. (*We charge them to participate wholesomely in community development and some/many have never done anything of relevance for their communities*)

*Participation in a party’s candidate slate is not only a job – one has to, as in teaching, love what one does – and can actually DO something (*in the ministry for which they are responsible*), or it is bound to fail

Whenever a party decides for a

person to run in a constituency representing their team, the party should be well aware of these people’s capabilities (*aside from being popular and could possibly win the seat*). Can the person represent the constituency well enough to be the voice of the ordinary citizen, who otherwise would be voiceless and not just seated in the HOR to throw jeers at opposition members? Is the person in good standing with voters in the constituency or in the country? Has that person been active in the community making positive change/development even when in opposition?

A constitutional amendment such as this one is asking the people of Belize to take one for the political parties (*Parties, because if this should pass - which we certainly hope it won’t – all political parties will have the same option!*).

This is unacceptable! To repeat, these parties need to amend their own constitutions in order to bring into the political fold, only the best people that can represent them and the people of Belize. Now, if this amendment was one that would alleviate the dread of poverty on 33.5% of our population and would take the high school attendance and success rate past 70% or reviewing the damning reality that more than 70% of our country’s wealthiest coastal real estate is in foreign hands (*not born and grown Belizean*) - now these are some extremely important issues requiring constitutional, legal, systemic and “*cultural*” revision to champion the causes of the inequalities plaguing our country today.

Opposing this particular amendment to the Constitution, is not being anti- government but rather being pro constitution. It is what being Belizean is all about. Should this country collapse, the majority of us have nowhere else to go. We will fight with vigor and without shame. There is a law in Economics: ***Opportunity Cost*** – simplified it suggest that whenever one thing is chosen over another, the cost of what you choose is the other thing you didn’t. So, which true Belizean with dual citizenship that would want to become a member of the HOR, would think that the other citizenship they have is too high a cost to pay to serve this country that they so love? Can that true Belizean please stand up.

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special needs children. Even participation and support in the recent Gold Medal performance of special needs Belizean children in the World Games in China and the Central American Games.

They have also contributed in the development and support of Sports such as; canoe racing, cycling, basketball, track and field, and indeed the Northern District League was sponsored by Belizeans living abroad.

On the Cultural level, Belizeans abroad have formed the bridge that links those at home with those abroad by facilitating the unification and reintegration of families through legalized adoption proceeding between roots Belize and those living in the Diaspora.

In music and song, in Literature and folktales, Belizeans abroad have danced and wove a tapestry of Belizean Ambassadorship and friendship that has propelled Belize into the world stage which now demands that true recognition be granted to all Belizeans at home and abroad.

We can no longer remain “**HALF CITIZENS**” in which we pay taxes, support the government, law abiding sons and daughters of Belize, free to be governed under a Governor who himself once declared “***I will be Governor of All Belize, not only in Belize, but wherever a Belizean lives, be it Timbuktu!***”

On the Historical interests, suffice it to say, May I remind you that “**SHOULDER TO SHOULDER**” we stood on the 10th day of September 1798 to drive back the **TYRANT?**” Surely, we are no lesser breed to claim the full rights of Citizenship “**Shoulder to Shoulder.**”

On the educational interests, we now have thousands of well trained Belizeans in all the

Sciences who are yearning to give back to the homeland the gift that we received from our training abroad. We can not sincerely give back if this right of full citizenship which seeks not to disenfranchise us, but to grant us equal rights under the amended Constitution of Belize.

I started this letter with the intent to be brief, but I thought I had better let it all hang out on a matter that have been dear to my heart.

Belizeans! Be Inclusive and Prosper! Be Exclusive at the peril of losing human resources! Let us count all our blessings and use all of our resources.

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2. Belizeans who were born in a foreign country of Belizean parentage and acquire Belizean citizenship through birth;
3. Belizeans who were born in a foreign country and acquire Belizean Citizenship through naturalization.

Grant Belizeans possessing Dual Citizenship the Constitutional Right to Run for Public Office and to VOTE in Belize!

Respectfully Submitted,
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Chavez Threatens To Get Tough On Colombia

BBC News, Thursday, August 6, 2009:

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez has announced trade measures against Colombia, amid a growing diplomatic row between the two nations.

Mr Chavez said he would halt the import of 10,000 cars from Colombia and ban a Colombian energy firm from exploring Venezuela's oil-rich Orinoco region.

Last week, Mr Chavez recalled his envoy from Bogota over accusations Venezuela had provided arms to Colombian rebels.

He is also angry at plans to allow US troops to use Colombian military bases.

Colombian President **Alvaro Uribe** is currently touring South America to try to reassure fellow leaders over the planned accord with Washington to allow US troops to use several bases.

A number of South American nations - including Argentina, Brazil and Bolivia - have expressed concerns over Bogota's plans.

"These bases could be the start of a war in South America - we're talking about the Yankees, the most aggressive nation in human history." said Hugo Chavez

However, Peru has expressed support for Mr Uribe, while Chile and Paraguay have said the accord is an internal matter for Colombia.

Washington wants use Colombia as a regional hub for operations to counter drug-trafficking and terrorism.

The US has been forced to look for a new location after the Ecuadorean government refused to renew the lease on its Manta base that the US military was using.

Speaking at a news conference in Caracas, Mr Chavez said the Venezuelan government would halt the import of 10,000 vehicles from neighbouring Colombia.

He also said Colombia's Ecopetrol company would be barred from taking part in an auction to develop the heavy crude in Venezuela's Orinoco region.

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Mr Chavez went on to say Venezuela would seek to buy *"several battalions of Russian tanks" during his visit to Russia in September.*

"These bases could be the start of a war in South America," Mr Chavez told reporters. *"We're talking about the Yankees, the most aggressive nation in human history."*

Mr Chavez also rebuffed Bogota's accusations that Caracas had given weapons to the left-wing Farc rebel group.

Chavez said that rocket launchers and automatic rifles found in a Colombian rebel camp had been stolen from a Venezuelan naval post 14 years ago.

The Venezuelan leader identified a wide range of products that Venezuela imported from Colombia, including meat, dairy and cereals, saying he would be looking for other nations to do business with.

"We're going to replace all of these imports. It's our responsibility because at any stage Yankees could say 'send no more meat to Chavez' or 'don't send the Venezuelans', because it is the Yankees who are going to rule over there - not Uribe," Mr Chavez said.

"Colombia is a vital provider of food, plastic goods and automobiles to Venezuela, in exchange for gas from the Opec member," said BBC's Will Grant in Caracas.

Bilateral trade between Venezuela and Colombia amounts to about \$7bn (£4bn) a year, and some analysts suggest it will not be easy for Mr Chavez to replace it, he adds.

The BBC correspondent says that Mr Chavez remains adamant that it can be done, saying that Venezuela's *"trade with Colombia isn't indispensable"*.

A close Chavez ally, Bolivian President **Evo Morales**, said on Wednesday that Washington was using Colombia's Farc rebels as an

excuse for military operations in the region.

"We can't have all these planes and military equipment concentrated in Colombia... This isn't against drug-trafficking, it's against the region. Our duty is to reject it," said Mr Morales, a day after his meeting with Mr Uribe.



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Reporting On The Weekend Warriors Series - Cycling Team Time Trials



Photo (L to R standing): Geoffrey Waight, Philip Burns, George Thompson, Antonio Tzuleta, (front): Elston Bennett

ON THE ROAD AGAIN, Sunday, August 2, 2009:

The weather was not very conducive to riding, much less a time trial.

Despite the poor weather conditions, all eight teams were ready at the starting line on the Western Highway at it's junction with George Price Boulevard, near the Hector D. Silva Airstrip on the outskirts

of Belmopan, with destination to the finish line, 18 miles away, at the junction of the Western Highway with the road leading to the village of La Democracia.

The rules were pre-established: **a)** each team with a maximum of six riders and **b)** at least four must finish within the time allocated which was marked when the fourth rider passes the finish line.

Of the eight teams participating in the race, two were registered by Shell/M & M Engineering.

The starting order was also pre-established:

- (1) Team Pediatrics
- (2) Team Shell/M & M Engineering - B
- (3) Team Fabrigas
- (4) Team Shell/M & M Engineering - A
- (5) Princess Team L.A
- (6) Team Clean Master
- (7) Ladyville Cycling Club, and
- (8) Original Trucker's Posse.

Not a very promising day for Team Clean Master being one of the dominant teams in the Weekend Warriors series having already won two first place finishes.

Two of Team Clean Master's ace riders, **Jose Moguel** and **Dr. Ramon Figueroa**, were not in the starting lineup as they were out of the country.

It would be up to the six members, **Philip Burns**,

with all its might.

As the finish line appears in sight, it's a fast ride for Team Clean Master as they each cross the finish line and await the final tally and the other two teams to come in.

Then comes the results and the announcement of the official times....**Team Fabrigas is the winner....by SEVEN SECONDS over Team Clean Master.**

Congratulations to the winners and congratulations to the members of Clean Master Team as they gave everything they had and came so close to capturing the first place!

Team Fabrigas wins with an average speed of 24.29 miles per hour, Team Clean Master is second with an average speed of 24.25 miles per hour, and third place went to Team Princess L.A with an average speed of 23.7 miles per hour.

Special thanks to all the teams, riders and organizers that showed up.

Clean Master Team extends a **BIG** thank you to its sponsors: **Clean Master Ltd. (major sponsor)**, **Yute Expedition**, **San Ignacio Resort Hotel**, **Belize Bank Ltd.** and **Gretel's Beauty Care & Day Spa.**

The final race of the series is scheduled to be held on Sunday August 16. It begins from in front of Loma Luz Hospital on the Western Highway traveling all the way to the village of Armenia on the Hummingbird Highway.

Geoffrey Waight, Ryan Garbutt, George Thompson, Elston Bennett and Antonio Tzuleta to defend the pride and reputation of Team Clean Master.

Here goes Team Clean Master, sixth in the line-up, racing against time and under very difficult weather conditions. It's raining, the road is slippery and the team is handicapped, but the riders are ready to give it their all.

On the outskirts of Cotton Tree Village, a member of the team, **George Thompson**, is dropped.

Approaching St. Matthew's Village a second member of the team, **Elston Bennett**, is dropped with the pace moving hard at around 28 miles per hour.

With two riders out, the team is left with only four riders all of whom **MUST** finish together.

At around mile 36 another rider cracks, this time it's **Ryan Garbutt**. The team must slow down because they cannot afford to lose him as they cannot complete the race with only three riders. The team slows it's pace to around 19 miles per hour to enable Garbutt time to recover and get back into action.

Garbutt recovers beautifully and with a few miles to the finish line the team once again picks up the pace and pushes

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Cornerstone's Mazda, 4 wheel drive, double cab, pickup truck

SPANISH LOOKOUT, Cayo, Wednesday, August 5, 2009:

Members of the Board of Directors of Cornerstone Foundation along with some members of staff and volunteers today travelled to the Mennonite community of Spanish Lookout where they took possession of a Mazda, 4 wheel drive, double cab, pickup truck the acquisition of which was facilitated by some generous members of the Spanish Lookout Community.

Although it is a previously owned vehicle, the truck is said to be in optimum working condition. It was made available to Cornerstone Foundation at a minimum cost.

In taking possession the vehicle, officials from the Foundation informed that it will go a long ways in assisting with the Feeding and Natural

Healing Programs as well as providing much needed transportation for staff and volunteers as they embark on the various other community oriented programs and events undertaken by the Foundation.

In accepting the keys for the vehicle, Board Members, **Christina Velasquez** and **Floyd Lemus** thanked representatives from the Spanish Lookout Community for their quick response in assisting with the transportation needs expressed by the Foundation

A release from Cornerstone Foundation informs that the *"Foundation continues to thank the Mennonite Community and all who have, and continue to assist us in any form such as kind, deed, clothing, food, volunteering and cash. God Bless!"*



Cornerstone Foundation Director, Christina Velasquez (4th from left) presenting Certificate of Appreciation to a Representative from the Spanish Lookout Community

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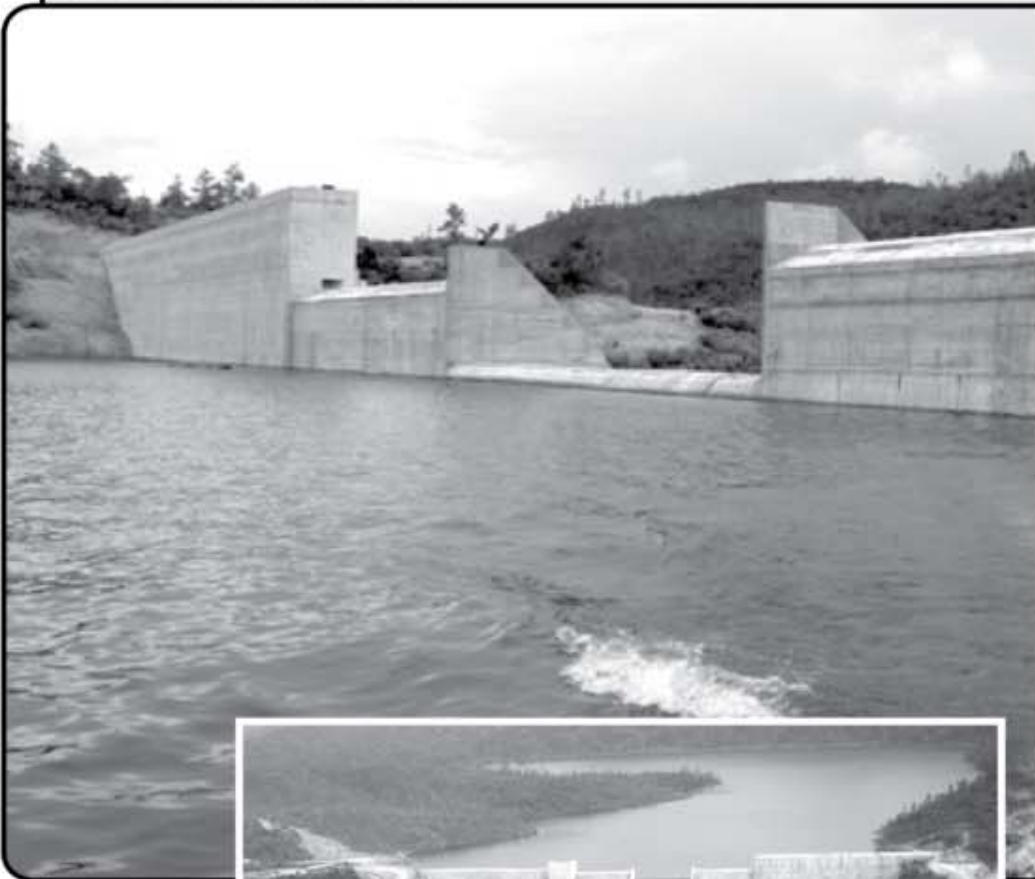
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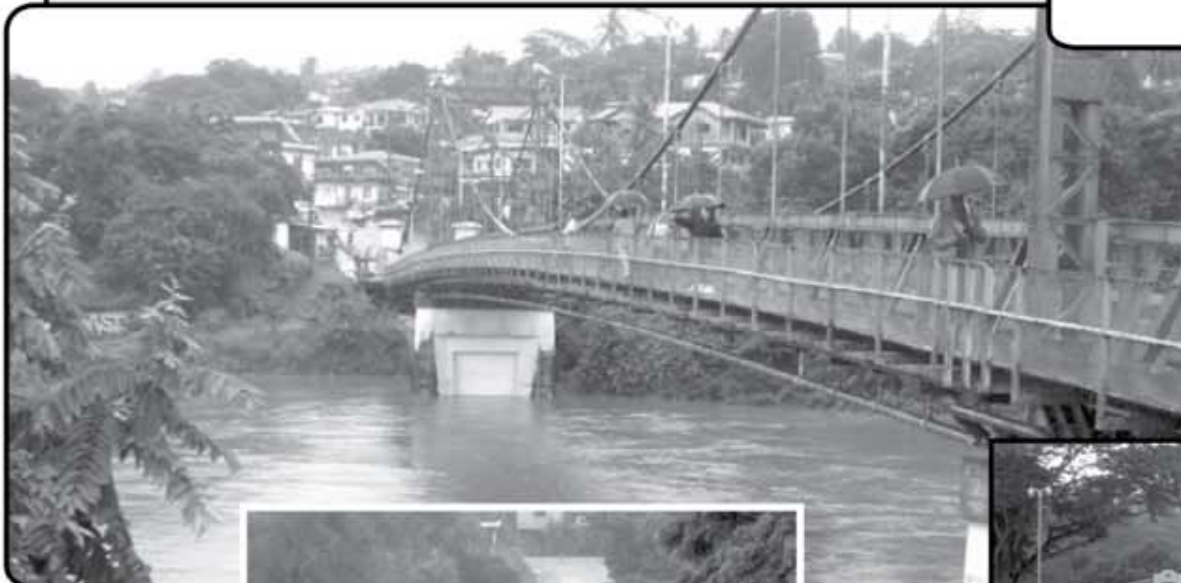
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Chalillo Hydroelectric Facility Averts Major Flood Event

Chalillo Hydroelectric Facility



High water levels at Hawkesworth bridge during the 1995 flood



San Ignacio wooden bridge under water

The Meteorological Office has confirmed that between July 24 and 26, 2009, approximately 6 inches of rain fell over the Cayo District.

During this same period water levels in the Chalillo reservoir rose almost 20 feet.

If the Chalillo Facility was not in place, San Ignacio Town and other downstream communities would have experienced a major flood event.

The Chalillo Facility continues to deliver cost savings and flood control benefits to Belize.

San Ignacio Market under water in October 2008. Without Chalillo, flood waters would have reached levels similar to the 1995 flood. In 1995 a portion of Burns Avenue in San Ignacio was inundated.

