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## Crow Fox Returns To Prison

**SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Monday, August 19, 2013:**

**Ruben "Crow Fox" Arnold** is no stranger to San Ignacio Police and so when they see him moving anything at anytime of the day or night it naturally draws police attention more so if he is spotted after the sun goes down and even more so if it is something as large as a washing machine.

It was five minutes into the new day on Thursday, July 18, when a team of policemen on foot patrol in San Ignacio spotted Crow Fox prancing down Far West Street with a

washing machine on his shoulder. When he was ordered to halt, he threw down the washing machine and escaped from the police. Suspecting that the item was stolen, it was brought to the station and labeled as found property.

Around 10 o'clock that same Thursday morning **Marie Teul**, 28, Belizean Housewife of a San Ignacio Town address visited the police station and reported the theft of her Daewoo brand washing machine valued at \$550 as well a chrome, 24 inch, beach cruiser bicycle valued at \$200. The complainant told the



**Ruben "Crow Fox" Arnold, 42**

police that she went to sleep at around 11:00 pm on the previous night leaving the washing machine and the bicycle on the verandah of her house and when she woke up at around 7 o'clock the following morning she noticed that her washing and the bicycle were missing.

The complainant was shown the washing machine which she instantly identified as being her property. Armed with this report the police promptly located and detained Crow Fox. While there is no report of the recovery of the bicycle, Crow Fox was later arrested and charged stealing the washing machine. In court he pled not guilty to the charge and was released on bail.

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## Matthew Ifield Injured In Second Attempt

**RED CREEK, Cayo, Monday, August 19, 2013:**

Twenty days ago, on July 30, 2013, an attempt was made on the life of one of the 32 year old Ifield male twins. Fortunately no one was injured in the incident.

In a second attack however one of the twins, **Matthew Garry Ifield**, was left with a single gunshot wound to the upper portion of the right leg.

The first attack took place shortly after 1:00 am on July 30, when one of the Ifield twins went to use an outdoor latrine in the family yard in Red Creek on the eastern outskirts of Santa Elena Town.

A team of policemen rushed to the scene where they met Ifield who reported that he was waiting outside the outhouse while a cousin was inside using the facility when he saw two armed male persons under an elevated wooden house in the yard. He said that a first shot was fired at

him and that he spun around and ran in the opposite direction towards the back of the yard when he heard the sound of two more shots fired none of which caught him. He told the police that he could not identify any of the two gunmen due to the darkness and the overgrown vegetation on the premises.

Upon hearing the gunshots a member of the Ifield family, armed with his licensed 16 gauge shotgun, emerged from the family house. Each of the two gunmen reportedly fired a single shot at him before he was able to fire back at them. The two gunmen reportedly ran off and disappeared into the darkness.

In the process of the investigation the police recovered several 9mm bullet casings from the scene. They also found two bullet holes, one near the entrance door of the family residence and another near a side

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## Belize Successfully Navigating Through Troubled Waters

It is not the United Democratic Party telling the world that Fonseca and Musa are bad for Belize, but rather it is the most brilliant legal minds in the region, the Caribbean Court of Justice, describing the actions of the shameless duo as *“Malignant Tumors”*.

It is not the United Democratic Party telling us that we are living in a good country but rather it is leaders in the region proclaiming hard times ahead for their people.

One recent such revelation was made by the Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs of Barbados, the Hon. **Christopher Peter Sinckler**, in presenting his country's 2013 financial statement and budgetary proposals to the House of Assembly of Barbados on August 13, 2013.

While the Government of Belize continues to successfully navigate through troubled waters occasioned by the international downturn into which it was elected in 2008; domestic investments is on the rise, despite the international badmouthing of Belize by some selfish and unpatriotic member of the opposition; foreign investors, like American Sugar Refinery, Green Tropics and Norwegian Cruise Line have either landed or are coming to our shores.

In the Barbados scenario however MP Sinckler *“Noted the loss of over 300 million dollars in reserves in just over three months, it would be reasonable to deduce”, he said “that much of this could be attributed to a decline in the level of overall confidence in our economy by foreign and domestic investors alike. The prolongation of the international downturn, the persistently high budget deficits of the government and its unsustainable debt levels, together with the sluggish growth figures can be highlighted as the chief contributors to this apparent declining confidence.”*


While the Government of Belize is firmly committed to **NO RETRENCHMENT**, increase in salaries for public officers, increase of allowance for the police, expanding of education subsidies to high school students and a possible further increase in the threshold for personal income tax, MP Sinckler told the people of Barbados that *“On the expenditure side, the measures aimed at reducing current expenditure by \$285 million over the adjustment period target some of the expenditure areas most known to consume large amounts of government revenue, such as personal emoluments, subsidies and transfers, grants to individuals and organizations, specific*

*areas of procurement and tax expenditures.”*

He went on to tell the people that *“Government has been careful to design these expenditure adjustments in such a manner as to limit the potential for major job losses in the public service, through instructing line ministries and statutory entities to use retrenchment as a last resort, while preferring to institute creative programmes for work hours/days/week reductions among staff. The Ministry of the Civil Service and the Ministry of Finance will assume general oversight of the implementation of this aspect of the measures so as to ensure that the targets are achieved while adherence to the preferred approach outlined by government is maintained.*

*Additionally, we have also determined that in order for these expenditure targets to be achieved and maintained the following must be strictly adhered to, and as such a zero tolerance approach will be adopted in relation to them:*

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*2. Departments and Boards who*

*breach this policy will not receive any resources to cover the salaries of these persons if they cannot be accounted for in the system.*

*3. There will be an immediate freeze of all non-critical established posts which have not been filled in the last six months and are unlikely to be filled in the near term.*

*4. There will be a strict policy of limiting supplementaries to within budgeted expenditure*

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## Crow Fox Returns To Prison

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It was while on bail that Crow Fox had another run in with the law. On Friday, August 16, 2013, **Jorge Chi**, Belizean Sales manager for Smart Telephone, visited the station and reported that around 3:25 am that day he was awoken by noise coming from inside his yard. Upon investigating the source of the noise he saw a tall male person of dark complexion wearing a green t-shirt and dark long pants inside the trailer he uses as an office and storage facility. He saw the person loading cellular telephones in a black handbag. Chi immediately contacted the police but the intruder escaped before the police arrived.

When Chi checked the inventory it came up 26 items short which included Alcatel and Samsung brands cellular phones with matching batteries and chargers as well as Alcatel and Nocatel brand modems all for a total value of \$6,957.00.

The investigation led directly to the Hospital Street address of none other than **Ruben “Crow Fox Arnold**. The search of the premises led police to an outside dog house from which the police retrieved a black bag with a Guinness Stout logo which was found to contain all the stolen goods including other promotional items.

Crow Fox was instantly detained and transported to the station where

he was formally arrested and issued charge sheets for burglary and for handling stolen goods.

The accused was brought before Magistrate **Dale Cayetano** on Monday, August 19, 2013 where he plead not guilty to both charges. Prosecutor **George Gomez** objected to bail on the grounds that the accused had the washing machine case still pending before the court.

Magistrate Cayetano concurred with the prosecutor's request consequently remanding the accused to prison. The case was adjourned to Tuesday, October 22, 2013.

The case of the stolen washing machine was also due for trial and while the accused maintained the not guilty plea, he was found guilty in the trial and was sentenced to five months in jail..



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## San Ignacio Car Washer Returns To Prison

**SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Monday, August 19, 2013:**

Unable to meet a two thousand dollar bail, an accused burglar was remanded to jail.

Police reports that on Saturday,



**Jerry Robateau, 45**

August 17, 2013, San Ignacio businesswoman **Doris Wollacott**, of a Burns Avenue address, visited the station and reported that at around 10:30 the previous night, an intruder, recognized as her next door neighbor, **Jerry Robateau** entered the dwelling place of her brother, **Lyle Waight** and made off with a small blue and silver radio/DVD player valued at one hundred and forty nine dollars.

While there is no report of the recovery of the alleged stolen radio/

DVD player, the investigation led to the arrest, on a burglary charge, of **Jerry Robateau**, 45, Belizean laborer of a Burns Avenue address. The accused appeared before Magistrate **Dale Cayetano** in the San Ignacio magistrate court on Monday, August 19, 2013, where he pled not guilty to the charge.

Despite the prosecution's request for the denial of bail, the accused was offered a two thousand dollar bail. The accused however was unable to meet bail and was

transported to prison. The case comes up for hearing on Wednesday, October 30, 2013.

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## Launch Of National Road Safety Committee

The Government of Belize through the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development is currently undertaking the Belize Road Safety Demonstration Corridor Project, as a first step in developing a comprehensive and long-term road safety strategy. The project was officially launched on 14 March 2013 and is being implemented through a BZ\$ 14,495,000 loan from the CDB, and GOB counterpart contribution of BZ\$3,191,000.

In keeping with the long-term Vision for improvement in road safety - that, through an integrated and comprehensive approach, together with demonstrated respect between all road users, the frequency and severity of traffic collisions (**road trauma**) will be reduced - the Government of Belize is pleased to announce the establishment of the National Road Safety Committee. The Committee has been instituted to oversee the effective implementation of a fully integrated road safety strategy, and establish a nation-wide mechanism through which to provide leadership, direction, coordination and evaluation of road safety initiatives across the country.

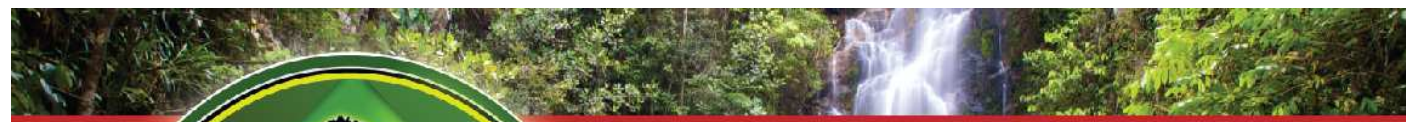
The National Road Safety Committee will be co-chaired by the Ministry

of Finance and Economic Development (Economic Development) and the Ministry of Works and Transport (Transport), and will comprise senior representatives of the Ministries of Health, Tourism, Sustainable Development, and Education; as well as the Police Department, Belize Social Security Board, The Mayors Association, The Belize Chamber of Commerce, an International Organization (such as PAHO), a Non-Government Organization and the Private Sector. The Committee will report to Cabinet.

An Official Launch is scheduled for 10:00 am on 26th August 2013 at the George Price Centre for Peace

and Development in Belmopan. Immediately after the official proceedings, a contract will be signed for Lot 1 of the Road Safety Infrastructure component. The works will occur along the Demonstration Corridor (the George Price Highway from Belize City to Belmopan), and

will include shoulder-widening along curves and through villages, upgrading of the road surface, installation of culverts, and construction of bus lay-bys. These improvements are expected to contribute to a reduction in crashes and are in line with recommendations made in the International Road Assessment Programme (iRAP) Belize Report of 2012.



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An AGM pack has been mailed to all Shareholders. Those shareholders who cannot attend may appoint a Proxy by completing the Appointment of Proxy Form included in the AGM pack. Shareholders may also submit the enclosed Response and Question Form by 5:00pm on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2013.

Shareholders are asked to be on time. For registration purposes please bring along your Shareholder Identification Card. If you need a new Shareholder Identification Card, please contact us at 222-4757 Ext 233 by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2013.

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# The Taking Over Of Commerce Bight Pier By The Dean Barrow Government Is The Return Of Justice To The People Of Dangriga Town And The South



**Wellington C. Ramos**  
**Columnist**

On Thursday August 15th, 2013 Belize's Minister of Works and Transportation representing the Cayo Central Constituency, Hon. **Rene Montero**, was authorized by the Cabinet of the Government of Belize to sign an order revoking the lease granted to **Luke Espat** to operate to deep water port, known as Jettie Pier located at Commerce Bight in Dangriga.

This Order was for the immediate return of the Jettie to Government control. Jettie was granted to Luke Espat for a pittance if anything at all. In this transaction the port went dormant and the people of Dangriga

were deprived waterfront employment. They were barred from fishing on the pier as the facility has 24 hours security guard service.

The people of Dangriga in the Stann Creek District and the entire Southern region of Belize including the Citrus, Banana and Oil Industries should all applaud this bold move taken by the Government of Belize under the bold leadership of the Hon. **Dean Barrow**. This latest development is in the best interest of the people of southern Belize and indeed of the entire nation.

This port played a vital economic role in the lives of the people from Dangriga Town and Stann Creek District for many years until it became dormant in 2002.

When the port was granted to Luke Espat and his company, it was expected that the people and government of Belize would collect revenue for usage of the facility and that economic activity would increase by means of more jobs for the people of Dangriga and surrounding communities.

Instead, the facility was closed and the shipment of citrus products was

moved almost fifty miles away to the Big Creek Port. The shipment of oil from the Spanish Lookout fields in the Cayo District have been going the extra forty plus miles to the port in Big Creek although the port in Dangriga Town is much closer and therefore reducing transportation costs.

The people of Dangriga Town, the Stann Creek District and the entire southern region of Belize, have been appealing to the current Government to take back all public facilities including the ports and the airport.

The litany of lawsuits brought against the UDP Government by British billionaire **Michael Ashcroft**, has resulted in Prime Minister Dean Barrow carefully choosing his battles.

Why did the previous PUP Government of **Said Musa** and **Ralph Fonseca** hand over the control and management of the ports and the airport to a private entity still puzzles me? These facilities should be under government control because they are vital for our national security. There has been a significant increase in the amount of arms and ammunition that has been entering our

country since the government gave control of these facilities to private companies. This has resulted in poor Black youths killing each other in Belize City which has the largest population concentration.

It was reported recently in an article published by the Amandala dated August 15th, 2013 that Michael Ashcroft intends to instruct his Lawyers to seek an injunction against the Government of Belize to stop the takeover. I now call on all my people in Dangriga, Stann Creek District and the entire southern region to rally with the Government of Belize to stop Michael Ashcroft from taking back our port.

Over the past eleven years our people have been denied the right to use this port for fishing, for work and to provide for the basics for our families. We have historically used this port to fish and to work to feed our families and we are accustomed to this lifestyle let us not allow this British Billionaire to further deny us this way of life any longer.

Unemployment in Dangriga and Stann Creek District has skyrocketed

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## 'I'll Send You to Belize': Stars of 'Breaking Bad' Offered Free Vacations

By: Dave Itzkoff

Nothing on "Breaking Bad" is quite what it seems: a mild-mannered chemistry teacher is a powerful drug lord; a run-of-the-mill car wash is a sophisticated money-laundering operation. And a darkly comic proposal of mortal violence has led, at least, to offers of a relaxing tropical vacation for the creators and stars of this AMC drama.

On Thursday, the Belize Tourism Board said that it would offer free vacations to Vince Gilligan, the "Breaking Bad" creator and show runner, and eight of its stars, including **Bryan Cranston** and **Aaron Paul**, following an offhand and not entirely flattering reference to that Central American nation on Sunday's broadcast of the show.

In that episode, **Saul Goodman**, the unsavory lawyer played by **Bob Odenkirk**, asks the meth-cooking kingpin **Walter White** (Mr. Cranston) if he has considered sending the nosy D.E.A. agent **Hank Schrader** (**Dean Norris**) "on a trip to Belize." Goodman gingerly reminds White of a former colleague already said to have relocated there – White in fact murdered this person – and an incensed White replies, "I'll send you to Belize."

The scene was widely noted on social media, with many commenters



Cast Of AMC Drama "Breaking Bad"

wondering if "Breaking Bad" had just turned off audience members who might have been contemplating a (legitimate) trip to Belize.

"Some people may have perceived that to be somewhat of a crisis," Alyssa Carnegie, the director of marketing and industry relations for the Belize Tourism Board, said in a telephone interview, "but we really thought of it as an opportunity."

Following Sunday's episode, the Belize Tourism Board used its Twitter account to post humorous invitations to the "Breaking Bad" actors and characters, asking them to check out the country.

Now it has extended offers to Mr.

Gilligan and his cast for each of them to enjoy a four-day, three-night stay in Belize, including airfare, hotel, meals and other activities.

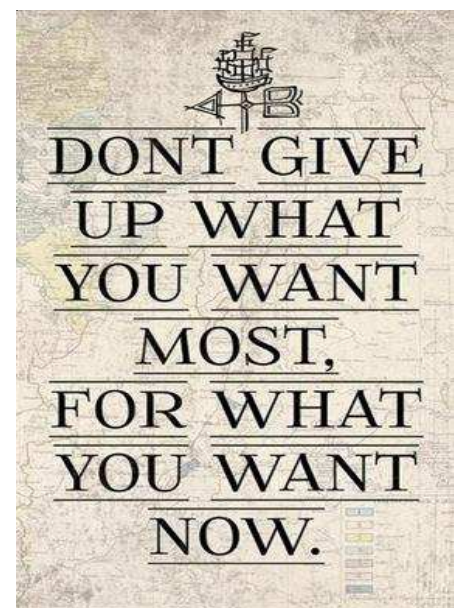
"Many of us are big fans of the show and can't wait to see what happens over the last six episodes," the tourism board wrote in its invitation. "While we hope that some of our favorite characters don't get 'sent on a trip to Belize' in the show, we do hope you will take us up on the following offer – we'd like to send all of you on an ACTUAL trip to our country after the season is over."

Speaking from Belize City, Ms. Carnegie said that her country drew about 1 million tourists annually,

often competing with Mexico and Costa Rica for potential vacationers. (Belize, however, does not follow Walter White's cutthroat strategies for dealing with rivals.)

"We're a small tourism destination and our competitors are pretty large," Ms. Carnegie said. "They have huge tourism dollars, so our challenge with that is really trying to make sure that we move a lot with very little. We saw this as a great opportunity to spin the story and introduce a new audience to Belize as a potential vacation destination."

In addition to Mr. Gilligan, Mr. Cranston, Mr. Paul, Mr. Norris and Mr. Odenkirk, the other "Breaking Bad" stars offered the vacations are **Anna Gunn**, **Betsy Brandt**, **R. J. Mitte** and **Jonathan Banks**, whose character was sent on the metaphorical "trip to Belize" last year.



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since the port was handed over to Luke Espat and his company.

If there was ever a time in our lives when we can demonstrate that we are all men and women who are made of steel, this is the time. We cannot afford to sit down and allow Michael Ashcroft, Luke Espat or anybody else to come into our town and take away our port from us because our port is necessary and vital for our survival and future.

This is not about being PUP or UDP. This is about our people's right to be respected and be granted justice in our town. If we allow them to get away with this, they will continue to come into our Town and District and disrespect us.

I have lived in Orange walk and visited Corozal on several occasions. I can guarantee you that, neither Michael Ashcroft or Luke Espat will ever attempt to do this to the people of northern Belize because the response would be swift and explosive.

I now call on all the people of Dangriga Town, Stann Creek District

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## Your Weekly Horoscope and Lucky Numbers

### ARIES:

#### March 22 to April 20

Today you may be confronted with one of the harsher aspects of your personality, Aries. It can be a bit of a shock when such a thing happens. It may be that your temper flares or you wrestle with feelings of jealousy. You are normally on top of your emotions, and losing control in any way is upsetting. Don't fret. You're human like everyone else. Learn what you can from the experience and move on. **Lucky numbers: 41, 63, 96.**

### TAURUS:

#### April 21 to May 21

Today you won't feel quite like your usual upbeat self, Taurus. There's nothing to be concerned about. It's just that you have a lot to do and can't help but be focused on it. You certainly are conscientious! See if you can't get out for some fun after you've finished your tasks. You've earned a break. **Lucky numbers: 07, 36, 80.**

### GEMINI:

#### May 22 to June 21

You are feeling altruistic today, Gemini. You're eager to do what you can for others. You can now put into action all those lofty visions of volunteering for a worthy cause. It's time to do some real work. You'll be astonished at how great it feels to make a direct contribution. Spending time chopping vegetables in a soup kitchen is much more satisfying than mailing a check. **Lucky numbers: 16, 32, 69.**

### CANCER:

#### June 22 to July 23

Children are highlighted today, Cancer, either yours or someone else's. You could be in one of the healing professions. If you are a nurse or doctor, you may have the opportunity to make a big difference in the life of one of your patients. If you're a parent, see if you can spend

extra time with your children. You will all benefit from some quality time together. **Lucky numbers: 13, 46, 90.**

### LEO:

#### July 24 to August 21

You have a generous spirit, Leo. And today you're feeling particularly altruistic. Finally, you have a chance to help your fellow man in a very real, direct way. Forget about big goals and lofty visions. Don't try to set out to eradicate world hunger. You can go down to a local shelter and help cook a meal for a few dozen people. The personal contact will do you good. **Lucky numbers: 27, 49, 71.**

### VIRGO:

#### August 22 to September 21

This may be an intense day, Virgo, especially if you follow your instincts and say what needs to be said to loved ones. There may be some unresolved issues at home. Do you and your siblings need to address them? If so, today is the day. You can expect some emotional reactions. This will be draining at first but ultimately therapeutic. **Lucky numbers: 03, 14, 91.**

### LIBRA:

#### September 22 to October 23

This is just the kind of day you like, intense and supercharged, just like you! It seems there is a deadline coming up. You'll have a lot to do and not a lot of time in which to do it. This is when you're at your most productive. Just remember to drink plenty of water and eat. Even superheroes need fuel in order to accomplish their heroics. **Lucky numbers: 10, 54, 87.**

### SCORPIO:

#### October 24 to November 21

You are an organized, disciplined

person, Scorpio. No one who knows you would disagree. But there are times when you need to loosen up a bit, and this is just such a time. Forget about work, chores, and all your daily obligations. You've been working too hard lately. Live a little. Take a holiday. Don't think of this as being irresponsible. Think of it as being human! **Lucky numbers: 18, 40, 73.**

### SAGITTARIUS:

#### November 22 to December 21

Sagittarius, today you may have to make some important decisions. You're demanding of your friends and loved ones. Have you ever thought about why? It's possible that you demand more of them than you do of yourself, and that doesn't seem fair, does it? Today insight and inspiration will show you how you can rectify this. Lower your standards for others or raise your standards for yourself. Level the playing field.

Lucky numbers: 29, 61, 82.

### CAPRICORN:

#### December 22 to January 20

You may be thinking about everything you need to do to improve your work situation. You've made your demands clear, but no one seems to be paying attention. Maybe you have approached the wrong people. This could be just the excuse you have always needed to become your own boss. You have creativity and sound business ideas, Capricorn. Why not see if you can combine the two? **Lucky numbers: 22, 35, 78.**

### AQUARIUS:

#### January 21 to February 19

You are sensitive, Aquarius, and impressionable. You may not appreciate the intense atmosphere building, but it may be just what you need to get motivated. Yes, you're about to face a lot of pressure, but you can handle it. No more planning, no more

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delays, no more staring off into space. Buckle down and get your work done. You can fantasize during your free time. **Lucky numbers: 26, 70, 92.**

### PISCES:

#### February 20 to March 21

It is one thing to stick to your guns, another altogether to do so without considering the views of others. People may resent this stubbornness, Pisces. Today you are encouraged to take a good look at yourself. Practice listening rather than speaking and you may be amazed at what you learn. Other people have opinions, too. Some of them are valid. Imagine that! **Lucky numbers: 11, 56, 95.**



# Calendar of Events

## September 2013

### BELIZE CITY

**August 10th**  
National Patriotic & Carnival Song Competition  
Venue: Memorial Park | 7:00 PM | FREE

**August 17th**  
Queen of the Bay Talent Competition  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 7:00 PM | PAID

**August 27th - 29th**  
Carnival Mas Camp (Juniors & Seniors)  
Venue: Various Mas Camps | 7:00 PM | FREE

**August 30th**  
Queen of the Bay Pageant  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 7:00 PM | PAID

**August 31st**  
2nd Annual Patriotic Paddle  
Venue: Flowers Bank to Belize City | 8:30 AM | FREE

St John's Cathedral 16th Annual International Food Fest  
Venue: Anglican Cathedral College (ACC) Grounds | 11:00 AM

Little Independence Day Junior Miss  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 7:00 PM | PAID

UWI Open Campus Gala Scholarship Fundraising Banquet  
Venue: Belize Biltmore Plaza | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 1st**  
Flag Monument Ceremony  
Venue: Flag Monument - Freetown Rd. & Princess Margaret Dr. | 5:30 AM | FREE

14th Annual Lionman Triathlon  
Venue: Sandlighters Promenade | 6:30 AM | FREE

St. George's Caye Battle Regatta  
Venue: St. George's Caye | 9:00 AM | FREE

Official Launch of Sept. Celebrations 2013  
Venue: St. George's Caye | 11:00 AM | FREE  
(Departure to SGC begins at 9:00 AM - Radisson Marina Pier) | Boat Ride PAID

**September 2nd**  
6th Annual Evening of Patriotic Songs & Poems  
Venue: Wesley Methodist Church | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 5th**  
Sir Barry's Belikin Bash  
Venue: Memorial Park | 6:00 PM - 12:00 AM | FREE

**September 6th**  
Carnival Motorcade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Belize City | 4:00 PM | FREE

Sir Barry's Belikin Bash  
Venue: Memorial Park | 6:00 PM - 12:00 AM | FREE

Francis Reneau: Mass in Blues Concert  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 8:00 PM | PAID

**September 7th**  
Allied Sports Club Open Track Meet  
Venue: Marion Jones Stadium | 8 AM | FREE

Sir Barry's Belikin Bash  
Venue: Memorial Park | 6:00 PM - 12:00 AM | FREE

Carnival King & Queen Competition  
Venue: Roger's Stadium | 7:30 PM | PAID

September Homecoming Bram in Belize  
Venue: Brick Oven Bar and Grill  
(13 King Street near Albert) | 9:00 PM | PAID

**September 8th**  
Francis Reneau: Mass in Blues Concert  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 8:00 PM | PAID

**September 9th**  
Fire Engine Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Belize City | 6:00 PM | FREE

9th Night Soca Concert  
Venue: To be announced | 9:00 PM | PAID

**September 10th**  
Official St George's Caye Day Ceremony  
Venue: Memorial Park | 9:00 AM | FREE (arrivals begin 8 AM)

St George's Caye Day Citizens Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Belize City | 10:00 AM | FREE

10th Bram & Multi-Cultural Fair  
Venue: ITVET Compound | 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM | PAID

**September 12th**  
Tribute to Belizean Patriots- National Honours & Awards Ceremony  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 7:00 PM | FREE

Garifuna Fashion Show  
Venue: Holy Redeemer Parish Hall | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 13th**  
School Children's Rally  
Venue: Bird's Isle | 9:00 AM | PAID

12th Annual Sound Fest 2013  
Venue: Bird's Isle | 9:00 PM | PAID

Jouvert Splash Down  
Venue: Hard Rock | 10 PM - 5 AM | PAID

**September 14th**  
Carnival Jouvert  
Venue: Starting at San Cas Plaza - Streets of Belize City  
5:00 AM | FREE

BCCI Expo 2013  
Venue: ITVET Compound | 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM | PAID

XV Central American Masters Table Tennis Championships  
Venue: Belize Elementary School Auditorium | 9 AM | FREE

Carnival Road March  
Venue: Yaborough to BTL Park | 1:00 PM | FREE

**September 15th**  
XV Central American Masters Table Tennis Championships  
Venue: Belize Elementary School Auditorium | 9 AM | FREE

Belize City Council / Leslie's Imports Cycling Criterion  
Venue: Albert & Regent Streets | 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM | FREE

BCCI Expo 2013  
Venue: ITVET Compound | 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM | PAID

National Day Of Prayer - Ecumenical Service  
Venue: Wesley Church | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 18th**  
Special Forum - Belize/Guatemala: Ending the Age Old Dispute  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 8:00 PM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Pan Yoad Steel Bands Concert  
Venue: House of Culture | 8:00 PM | PAID

**September 20th thru 21st**  
"Legacy of our Ancestors" Cultural Extravaganza  
Official Flag Raising Ceremony  
Fireworks Display / Musical Entertainment  
Venue: Memorial Park | 9:00 PM - 1:00 AM | FREE

Reggae/Soca Fest Concert  
Venue: Princess Hotel & Casino Poolside | 9:00 PM | PAID

**September 21st**  
Belize City Independence Day Ceremony  
Venue: Memorial Park | 8:00 AM | FREE

Belize City Uniform Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Belize City | 9:30 AM | FREE

Independence Day Street Fete  
Venue: Albert & Regent Streets | 11 AM - 6 PM | FREE

**September 22nd**  
Journey on the Sea  
Venue: Bannister Island | 9:00 AM | PAID

El Salvador Military Symphonic Orchestra Concert  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Performing Arts | 6:00 PM | FREE

### BELMOPAN CITY

**September 6th**  
Opening of Belmopan September Celebrations Calendar  
Venue: Independence Plaza | 6:30 PM | FREE

**September 8th**  
Meso-American Grand Cultural Festival  
Venue: Governor General Field | 5:00 PM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Kids Bicycle Decoration  
Venue: Belmopan Fire Station | 4:00 PM | FREE

Fire Engine Parade  
Venue: Move off from Belmopan Fire Station | 7 PM | FREE

**September 10th**  
St. George's Caye Day Ceremony (Parade Follows)  
Venue: Independence Plaza | 10:00 AM | FREE

Sporting Day / Jump Up  
Venue: Mae Gordon Park | 10:00 AM | FREE

**September 13th**  
Children's Rally  
Venue: UB Gymnasium | 9:00 AM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

**September 20th**  
Take Back the Land Parade  
Venue: Roaring Creek to Independence Plaza | 6 PM | FREE

El Salvador Military Symphonic Orchestra Concert  
Venue: Independence Plaza | 10:00 PM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Official Independence Day Ceremony  
Venue: Independence Plaza | 10 AM (Arrivals begin at 9 AM)

Citizens' Parade  
Venue: Ring Road to Devon Beaton Park | 11:00 AM | FREE

Jump Up  
Venue: Devon Beaton Park | 1:00 PM - 12:00 AM | FREE

### BENQUE VIEJO DEL CARMEN

**September 2nd**  
Art Competition Launch  
Venue: Mount Carmel Primary School | 10:00 AM | FREE

**September 6th**  
Focus & Development of Benque Viejo Exhibition Launch & Lecture  
Venue: Benque Viejo House of Culture | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Battle of St George's Caye Motorcade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Benque Viejo Del Carmen  
7:00 PM | FREE

**September 10th**  
Battle of St. George's Caye Day Ecumenical Service  
Venue: Templo Evangelico Iglesia Del Nazareno  
9:00 AM | FREE

Battle of St George's Caye Day Ceremony  
Venue: Marshalllock Cancha | 2:00 PM | FREE

Battle of St. George's Caye Day Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Benque Viejo Del Carmen  
4:00 PM | FREE

Jump-Up  
Venue: Marshalllock Cancha | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 14th**  
House of Culture 12th Anniversary Celebration "Arts Fair"  
Venue: Centennial Park | 2:00 PM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Cleaning Campaign  
Venue: Streets of Benque Viejo Del Carmen  
All Day Event | FREE

George Price "Man of Purpose & Vision" Documentary "Road to Independence"  
Venue: Benque Viejo House of Culture | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 20th**  
Independence Eve Ceremony  
Venue: Marshalllock Cancha | 11:00 PM | FREE

Independence Fireworks Display  
Venue: Marshalllock Cancha | 12:00 AM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Independence Day Ecumenical Service  
Venue: Mount Carmel Parish | 9:00 AM | FREE

Independence Day Ceremony  
Venue: Marshalllock Cancha | 2:00 PM | FREE

Independence Day Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Benque Viejo del Carmen  
4:00 PM | FREE

Independence Day Jump-Up!  
Venue: Marshalllock Cancha | 7:00 PM | FREE

### COROZAL

**August 10th**  
Art in the Park  
Venue: Central Park | 5:00 PM | FREE

**August 31st**  
Queen of the Bay Pageant  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 1st**  
Opening of September Celebrations /DJ's Faceoff Competition  
Venue: In Front of the Corozal Town Hall | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 2nd**  
Matinee "Under the Stars"  
Venue: Seaside Amphitheatre | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 8th**  
Day of Prayer  
Venue: Church of Choice | All Day Event | FREE

Sports Day  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 10:00 AM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Fire Engine Parade  
Venue: Starting at Miami Beach | 7:00 PM | FREE

Jump Up / Dance  
Venue: Miami Beach | 10:00 PM | FREE

Fireworks Display  
Venue: Miami Beach | 12:00 AM | FREE

**September 10th**  
Sounding of the Siren  
Venue: Fire Station | 6:00 AM | FREE

St. George's Caye Day Ceremony  
Venue: In Front of Library | 10:00 AM | FREE

Parade  
Venue: In Front of Library | 11:00 AM | FREE

Beach Party  
Venue: Miami Beach | 12:00 PM | FREE

**September 11th**  
Children's Night  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 4:00 PM | FREE

**September 12th**  
College Night  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 13th**  
Pre-School Rally  
Venue: Corozal Central Park | 8:00 AM | FREE

Children's Rally  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 9:00 AM | FREE

Prayer Vigil  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 8:00 PM | FREE

**September 14th**  
Carnival Parade and Judging  
Venue: In front of Bus Terminal 7th Ave - Ricalde Stadium | 1:00 PM | FREE

Art in the Park (Anniversary Edition)  
Venue: Corozal Central Park | 5:00 PM | FREE

**September 15th**  
Christian Band Concert  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 16th**  
Local Talent Festival  
Venue: In Front of Town Hall | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 17th**  
Literacy Carnival Parade  
Venue: Central Park | 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM | FREE

**September 18th**  
Military BDF, Police & Fire Tattoo  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 5:00 PM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Battle of the Bands  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 20th**  
Cultural Presentations  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 8:00 PM | FREE

Flag Raising Ceremony  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 10:00 PM | FREE

Fireworks and Dance  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 12:00 AM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Sounding of Siren  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 6:00 AM | FREE

Independence Day Ceremony  
Venue: Andres Campos Civic Center | 10:00 AM | FREE

Citizens Parade  
Venue: Main Streets of Corozal | 11:00 AM | FREE

Citizens Dance  
Venue: Miami Beach | 1:00 PM - 12:00 AM | FREE

### DANGRIGA

**August 30th**  
September Celebrations Launch Motorcade  
Venue: Drums of our Fathers Monument to BTL Princess Royal Park | 5:30 PM | FREE

September Celebrations Opening Ceremony  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 6:30 PM | FREE

**September 5th**  
Seenagers Day  
Venue: Helpage Center Building | 2:00 PM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Decorated Bicycle & Fire Engine Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Dangriga | 7:00 PM | FREE





Block Party  
Venue: St Vincent St. (In front of Immigration Dept.)  
9:00 PM | FREE

**September 10th**  
St. George's Caye Day Ceremony & Citizens Parade  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 10:00 AM | FREE

10th Day Block Party  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 1:00 PM | FREE

**September 12th**  
Read-a-Book to a Child Day  
Venue: All Primary Schools | 2:00 PM | FREE

**September 13th**  
Unsung Heroes/Heroines Award Night  
Venue: Town Hall | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 14th**  
Culture Day  
Venue: Open Lot (across from Drums of our Fathers Monument)  
| 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Karaoke Competition  
Venue: Illagulei Sports Bar | 8:00 PM | PAID

**September 20th**  
Flag Raising Ceremony  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 10:00 PM | FREE  
  
Fireworks Display  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 12:00 AM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Independence Day Ceremony  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 10:00 AM | FREE

Citizen Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Dangriga | 11:30 AM | FREE

Jump Up - after the Citizen Parade  
Venue: BTL Princess Royal Park | 1:30 PM | FREE

## ORANGE WALK

**August 31st**  
Launch of Sept. Celebrations & Fiesta FM 9th Anniversary  
Venue: Fort Cairns Plaza | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 7th**  
Miss Orange Walk Pageant  
Venue: Multipurpose Complex | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 8th**  
Karaoke Competition Night  
Venue: Fort Cairns Plaza | 5:00 PM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Siren Parade  
Venue: Main Street of Town ending at Fort Cairns Plaza  
7:00 PM | FREE

**September 10th**  
St. George's Caye Day Official Ceremony  
Venue: Central Park | 3:00 PM | FREE

Uniform Parade  
Venue: Central Park | 4:00 PM | FREE

Block Party  
Venue: Central Park | 5:00 PM | FREE

**September 12th**  
Central Drum Core Drum Fete  
Venue: Fort Cairns Plaza | 7:00PM | FREE

**September 13th**  
Children's Rally  
Venue: People's Stadium | 9:00AM | FREE

**September 14th**  
Rock Concert  
Venue: Fort Cairns Plaza | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 15th**  
National Day of Prayer  
Venue: Church of Choice | All Day Event | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Banquitas House of Culture 11th Anniversary  
Venue: Banquitas House of Culture | 10:00 AM | FREE

El Salvador Military Symphonic Orchestra Concert  
Venue: People's Stadium | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 20th**  
Touch Run  
Flag Raising Ceremony  
Fireworks Display / Block Party  
Venue: Central Park | 7:00 PM - 3:00 AM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Independence Day Ceremony  
Citizens Parade  
Block Party  
Venue: Central Park | 2:00 PM - 3:00 AM | FREE

## PUNTA GORDA

**August 17th**  
Launching of September Celebrations & Presentation of Candidates for Queen of the Bay  
Venue: Sports Complex | 7:00 PM - 2:00 AM | PAID

**August 24th**  
Queen of the Bay Pageant  
Venue: Sports Complex | 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM | PAID

**August 30th**  
Queen of the Bay Pageant (National)  
Venue: Bliss Centre for the Perf. Arts | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 2nd**  
Presentation of Flags, Maps & Constitution of Belize to School  
Venue: Conference Room | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | FREE

**September 3rd**  
Panel Discussion on Independent Belize by Present & Past Representatives  
Venue: UB Toledo Campus | 7 PM - 10 PM | FREE

**September 5th**  
Clean Up Campaign / Beautification of the Streets  
Venue: Principal Streets of Punta Gorda | 8:30 PM | FREE

**September 6th**  
Literacy Day  
Venue: Sports Complex | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | FREE

Judging of Best Decorated Government Office, School, Business & Residence  
Venue: Streets of Punta Gorda | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | FREE

**September 7th**  
Cultural Expo & Carnival  
Venue: Central Park | 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Fire Engine Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Punta Gorda | 7:00 PM | FREE

DJ Competition & Dance  
Venue: Sports Complex | 7:00 PM - 3:00 AM | PAID

**September 10th**  
Sounding of the Siren  
Venue: Principal Streets of PG Town | 6:00 AM | FREE

St. George's Caye Day Ceremony  
Venue: Central Park | 10:00 AM | FREE

St. George's Caye Day Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of Punta Gorda Town 11:00 AM | FREE

Block Party  
Venue: Central Park | 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 11th**  
Children's Talent Show  
Venue: Central Park | 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM | FREE

**September 12th**  
Tribute to Belizean Patriot & Senior Citizens  
Venue: Conference Room | 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM | FREE

**September 13th**  
School & Youth Rally  
Venue: Sports Complex | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | FREE

**September 14th**  
Run for Jesus  
Venue: Central Park | 6:00 AM - 7:00 AM | FREE

Karaoke Finals Competition  
Venue: Sports Complex | 7:00 PM - 2:00 AM | PAID

**September 15th**  
Ecumenical Service  
Venue: Church of Choice | 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | FREE

Family Day  
Venue: One Mile Beach | 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 16th**  
Essay Competition on Theme  
Venue: Conference Room | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM | FREE

**September 17th**  
University of Belize Forum  
Venue: UB Toledo Campus 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Dedication of Independence Torch  
Venue: Central Park | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 20th**  
Eve of Independence:  
Sounding of Siren  
Fire Engine Parade  
Torch Run  
Flag Raising Ceremony  
Fireworks Display  
Venue: Central Park  
7:00 PM - 3:00 AM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Independence Day Ceremony  
Uniforms Parade  
Block Party  
Bicycle Race  
Venue: Central Park  
10:00 AM - 6:00 PM | FREE

## SAN IGNACIO/SANTA ELENA

**August 17th**  
Queen of the West Pageant  
Venue: Perla Bar & Grill Princess Casino 10:00 PM | PAID

**August 18th**  
Western Regional Cycling Association / Football Tournament  
Venue: Broaster Stadium | FREE

Mayor & Councillors Visit Octavia Waight  
Venue: Octavia Waight Center | 10:00 AM | FREE

**August 24th**  
Queen Of West Presentation  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 7:00 PM | FREE

**August 31st**  
Queen Of The West Pageant  
Venue: Octavia Waight Conventional Hall | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 1st**  
Day Of Prayer  
Venue: Macal River Park | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 4th**  
Historical Video Show  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 6:00 PM | FREE

Clean-up Campaign  
Venue: Principal St. of San Ignacio & Santa Elena | 7 AM | FREE

**September 6th**  
Children's Talent Show  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 9th**  
Siren & Motorcade Parade  
Venue: Principal St. of San Ignacio/Santa Elena | 8 PM | FREE

Eve of Tenth Ceremony  
Venue: In front of the Administration Building 10:00 PM | FREE

**September 10th**  
St George's Caye Day Ceremony  
Venue: In front of the Administration Building 2:00 PM | FREE

St George's Caye Day Parade & Jump-Up  
Venue: In front of the Administration Building 3:00 PM | FREE

**September 11th & 12th**  
Historical Videos On Big Screen  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 6:30 PM | FREE

**September 13th**  
Cayo's Got Talent Youth  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 14th**  
Grand Musical Concert  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 15th**  
Fire Engine, BERT, Police, BDF Military Tattoo  
Venue: Victor Galvez Stadium | 9:00 AM | FREE

Riverside Bash  
Venue: Santa Elena Riverside | 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM | FREE

Little Miss Pandey Queen Pageant  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 5:00 PM | FREE

**September 16th**  
Cayo's Got Talent (Adults)  
Venue: Cayo Welcome Center | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 18th**  
Clean Up Campaign  
Venue: San Ignacio/Santa Elena Towns | 7:00 AM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

1st Historical School Competition  
Venue: Octavia Waight Center | 9:30 AM | FREE

**September 20th**  
School Rally  
Venue: In Front of Administration Building | 9:00 AM | FREE

Siren & Motorcade Parade  
Venue: Principal Streets of San Ignacio/Santa Elena Towns  
7:00 PM | FREE

Independence Eve Celebration - Entertainment & Fireworks  
Venue: In Front of Administration Building | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Independence Day Ceremony Parade & Jump Up  
Venue: In Front of Administration Building 2:00 PM | FREE

**September 23rd**  
El Salvador Military Symphonic Orchestra Concert  
Venue: Broaster Stadium | 6:00 PM | FREE

## SAN PEDRO

**September 1st**  
Miss San Pedro Pageant  
Venue: Saca Chispas Football Field | 7:00 PM | PAID

**September 10th**  
Miss San Pedro Coronation  
Venue: Central Park | 10:00 AM | FREE

St George's Caye Day Celebration  
Venue: Central Park | 10:30 AM | FREE

**September 13th**  
Children's Talent Show  
Venue: Central Park | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 14th**  
Central American Night  
Venue: Central Park | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 17th**  
Spelling Bee Contest  
Venue: Central Park | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 19th**  
National Service Day - In Memory of Rt. Hon. George C. Price & National Colours Day  
Venue: Countrywide | All Day Event | FREE

Social Studies Competition  
Venue: Central Park | 7:00 PM | FREE

**September 20th**  
Independence Eve Ceremony / Block Party  
Venue: Central Park | 6:00 PM | FREE

**September 21st**  
Independence Day Ceremony & Celebrations  
Venue: Central Park & Beach | 10:00 AM | FREE

El Salvador Military Symphonic Orchestra Concert  
Venue: Central Park | 8:00 PM | FREE

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## The Race

There was a man named Jamal that lived in a small town with only one traffic light. Jamal had saved up his money and bought a motorcycle. One day Jamal was at the light waiting for it to turn green when a shiny new Corvette convertible pulled up next to him.

Jamal had never seen anything like this in his life. The Corvette had its top down so Jamal leans over the side of the car and starts checking out the interior. This annoys the driver of the vette so when the light turns green he steps on the gas, laying down rubber as he leaves the intersection. He gets up to 60mph when suddenly Cletus flies by him on his motorcycle.

The driver of the vette says to himself *"This clown wants to race"*. Shifting into 4th gear he steps

on the gas again. He leaves Jamal in his dust as he gets up to 100mph. Then out of nowhere he sees Jamal coming up fast in his rear view mirror. He can't believe it as Jamal flies by him again on his motorcycle. The driver of the vette shifts into 6th gear and floors it. He passes Jamal and gets up to 150mph! Once again, Jamal passes him like he's standing still. Shocked, the driver of the vette pulls over to the side of the road. He hears gravel flying and brakes squalling as Jamal pulls up next to him.

The driver of the vette congratulates Jamal on winning the race and asks him what kind of an engine he has in his motorcycle. Puzzled Jamal replied **"Race? I was just trying to get my suspenders off of your side-view mirror."**

## The Magician

A magician was working on a cruise ship in the Caribbean. The audience would be different each week, so the magician allowed himself to do the same tricks over and over again.

There was only one problem: The captain's parrot saw the shows every week and began to understand what the magician did in every trick. Once he understood that, he started shouting in the middle of the show.

**"Look, it's not the same hat!"**  
**"Look, he's hiding the flowers under the table!"**  
**"Hey, why are all the cards the Ace of Spades?"**

## The Donkey

One day a boy saw a farmer selling a donkey for \$100.00. The boy told the farmer he would pay the money if the farmer could deliver it to his house.

The farmer agreed to deliver the donkey the next day but when he arrived at the boy's house there was no donkey. He told the boy that the donkey died during the night. Saddened, the boy asked for his money back. *"I'm afraid I have already spent the money."* the farmer said.

**"Well, then just give me the donkey."** said the boy.

*"What are you going to do with a dead donkey?"* asked the farmer.

The boy told the farmer he would think of something, so the farmer delivered the donkey the next day.

The next month the farmer saw the boy and asked him what he ever did with the donkey.

**"I made \$895.00 off of that**

**thing."** the boy said.

*"How could you make that much money off of a dead donkey?"* the farmer wanted to know.

The boy said, **"I didn't tell anyone he was dead at first. I just put up signs around town that said I was going to raffle off a beautiful donkey for raffle tickets that cost \$5.00 and I sold 200 tickets."**

*"Wait a minute", said the farmer, "you said you made \$895.00 but if you sold 200 tickets at \$5.00 each that's \$1,000.00. After you subtract the \$100.00 you paid me you should have made \$900.00".*

**"You're right",** said the boy, **"But when the winner found out the donkey was dead he was a little upset so I gave him his money back."** (That boy grew up and became the CEO of Enron.)

## Pregnancy Exam

A man and his wife were making their first doctor visit prior to the birth of their first child. After everything checked out, the doctor took a small stamp and stamped the wife's stomach with indelible ink.

The couple was curious about what the stamp was for, so when they got home, he dug out his magnifying glass

to try to see what it was. In very tiny letters, the stamp said, **"When you can read this without a a magnifying glass, come back and see me."**

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## Strike One

A neighbor was watching a little boy playing with a ball and bat in his backyard. **"I'm the greatest hitter in the world"** the boy exclaimed as he threw the ball into the air. He swung with all his might but missed the ball and fell down himself. **"Strike One"** he says as he gets up. He throws it up again and swings.

## The Good Samaritan

A man is in bed with his wife when there is a rat-a-tat-tat on the door. He rolls over and looks at his clock, and it's half past three in the morning.

*"I'm not getting out of bed at this time of night,"* he thinks, and rolls over. Then, a louder knock follows.

*"Aren't you going to answer that?"* says his wife.

So he drags himself out of bed and goes downstairs. He opens the door and there is man standing at the door. It didn't take the homeowner long to realize the man was drunk.

**"Hi there,"** slurs the stranger. **"Can you give me a push?"**

*"No, get lost. It's half past three. I was in bed,"* says the man and slams the door. He goes back up to bed and tells his wife what happened. She says, *"Dave, that wasn't very nice of you. Remember that night we broke down in the pouring*

rain on the way to pick the kids up from the baby sitter and you had to knock on that man's house to get us started again? What would have happened if he'd told us to get lost?"

*"But the guy was drunk,"* says the husband.

*"It doesn't matter,"* says the wife. *"He needs our help and it would be the Christian thing to help him."* So the husband gets out of bed again, gets dressed, and goes downstairs. He opens the door, and not being able to see the stranger anywhere shouts, *"Hey, do you still want a push?"*

He hears a voice cry out, **"Yeah please."**

So, still being unable to see the stranger he shouts, **"Where are you?"**

And the stranger replies, **"I'm over here, on your swing."**

## The Gueestimate

A convenience store needed to replace the fence on the back of the property so the owner called three contractors in to bid on it. When they arrived he noticed each vehicle was from a different state. He didn't think anything of it and took them around back to make a bid.

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Next was the Belize City contrac-

tor. He also took out his tape measure and pencil, did some quick figuring and said, *"Looks like I can do this job for \$700. \$300 for materials, \$300 for my crew, and \$100 profit for me."*

Without so much as moving, the San Ignacio contractor said, **"\$2,700."** The guard, incredulous, looked at him and said, *"You didn't even measure like the other guys! How did you come up with such a high figure?"*

"Easy," he said. **"\$1,000 for me, \$1,000 for you, and we hire the guy from Melchor."**

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# Belize Moto-X Association (BMA)

Belize Moto-X Association (BMA) was founded by riders themselves, who now mostly dedicate themselves to organizing, supporting and expanding the sport. BMA targets the young and adventurous Belizeans and neighboring border towns. Participating riders come from Belize, and foreign riders from Guatemala, Mexico, and hopefully soon other neighboring countries. The Motocross sport is still new and growing, even though we have had 2 years of successful racing seasons. Our goal is to have races throughout the country, to continue competing internationally and most of all to have a new extreme sport to entertain all fans. Belize, come on out and support!

BMA has riders coming from all across Belize and our neighboring countries which include Guatemala and Mexico. Races are divided into three different categories. The categories are determined by the engine size of the dirt-bike. The categories are as follow. MX3 which are 150cc or less, MX2 which are 250cc or less and the MX1 which have 450cc or less. The Makita motocross championship consist of 7 race days, each day has 2 heats (races) for every category. The races



are 20 minutes plus one lap in each heat. The 1st place rider will then be rewarded points 25 points 2nd place 22 points 3rd 20 points 4th 18 points and etc. These points accumulate

during the season and will determine the championship. We currently have 4 Motocross race tracks across the country. Santa Elena, Cayo, Blue Creek, OW, San

Narsisco, CZ, and in Belmopan where the Season Finales are planned to be held on Agri. show 2014. We are also working on construction a track in Spanish Lookout to hold one race this season. Our first race was held Santa Elena at the Peter August stadium on Aug 18, 2013 and our next race to be in Blue Creek in September and the rest will be spread out between September and May at the Agri. show. The BMA is funded by sponsors and gate entry fees. We have a great group of sponsors for this season. Makita/Universal Hardware the distributor for Makita products, Southwest Construction, Maranco, Tropic Air, Banman Earth Moving, Motor Solutions/Mahindra and Infinite Wireless. We hope to bring a great season of racing to the Belizean people.

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# The Office of the Prime Minister Takes a Position on the Proposed Restructuring of the Public Accounts Committee

**Belmopan. August 21, 2013:**

The Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) announces that the Cabinet of Belize has carefully noted the positions taken by the Belize Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) and by the National Trade Union Congress of Belize (NTUCB) on the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) of the House of Representatives. Cabinet considered the call of both bodies for the PAC to be converted into a Special Joint Select Committee of the House and Senate, and for that new Select Committee to comprise a membership that would include all three social partner Senators. Cabinet remains convinced, however, that such a proposal is fundamentally inconsistent with the spirit and letter of the Standing Orders of the House. And the radical and serial amendments of the Standing Orders that would be required for the transformation of the current PAC into the creature envisaged by the BCCI and NTUCB, would render the proceedings of the new Committee both expensive and impractical. For all three social partners, the Opposition, and the Government to be on the proposed new body; and for the fundamental Standing Orders principle of Democracy, which requires the Government to be the majority on all Standing Committees, to be maintained, would result in an unwieldy and top heavy Committee and greatly ratchet up the costs associated with Committee hearings. Cabinet cannot, therefore, agree with such a proposal.

Further, Cabinet considers that the

present Public Accounts Committee of the House provides a perfectly workable and efficient formula for conducting the business assigned to the Committee. Cabinet insists that it is only the game playing and grandstanding of the Hon Julius Espat as Chairman, which has frustrated the Committee and prevented it from functioning. But Cabinet points out that the Standing Orders provide for any two members to requisition and convene a meeting of the PAC if the Chairman fails to do so. Accordingly, the Government side of the Committee will insist now that the Chairman calls an urgent meeting of the PAC to agree to a schedule for consideration of all the outstanding Auditor General reports. Such a schedule should see the work divided into two: examination of pre-2008 reports; and examination of post-2008 reports. In any given week when the Committee meets, it should do so on two days of that particular week. The first day should be given over to the first set of reports, and the second day to the second set of reports. If the Hon. Espat as Chairman refuses to get things moving in this fashion, the Government will use the provision of the Standing Orders to have its members convene and conduct the meetings so that the work of the Committee can get done. The hearings will, in any case, be held in public.

Finally, the OPM points out that it was the Constitutional Amendments that were passed by the UDP in 2008 that enshrined into our highest Law the mechanism that obliged

the Minister of Finance to lay the Annual Reports of the Auditor General before the House; that provided for the Auditor General to ensure laying in any case where the Minister failed to do so; and that provided for the punishment of the Auditor General for violation of the obligation to produce the Annual Reports. It was all these amendments that prevented the recurrence of the pre-2008 situation where the PUP Government had failed to lay or otherwise ventilate Auditor General Reports for nine years up to 2007.

These UDP Constitutional Amendments were only part of a much wider set of reforms promulgated by the UDP to ensure account-

ability. These included passage of the Financial Transparency Regulations; legislating that the Finance and Stores Orders of the Public Service would have the force of law; amending the Finance and Audit Act to provide for the prosecution and punishment of Ministers and Public Officers that violated the law; and amending the Freedom of Information Act so as to outlaw any provision for secrecy in Government contracts.

Given these and other legislative advances it is hard to see, the OPM concludes, how the NTUCB-for instance-can claim that the current Administration has not moved far and fast enough in the direction of openness and accountability.

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## PUBLIC ADVISORY

The general public is hereby informed that on Thursday August 29, 2013 through to Friday August 30, 2013 the following Departments: Labour, Local Government and Rural Development will be moving from # 6/8 Trinity Boulevard, Belmopan. The Departments will be relocating to #1902 Constitution Drive Belmopan (Former Papi's Building).

An Officer will be on standby at # 6/8 Trinity Blvd. to answer telephone calls and receive mails until moving is

completed on Friday August 30th, 2013. Telephone numbers for the different Departments are as follows:

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## The Republic of China (Taiwan) Donates \$651,725 USD to GOB Tilapia Project

farming in Belize. His Excellency Ambassador Wu stated that the hope for the centre is to produce one million fingerlings to be

**Belmopan. August 20, 2013:**

Today the Republic of China (Taiwan) donated \$651,725 USD to the Ministry of Agriculture for the GOB -ROC (Taiwan) Aquaculture Project.

The cheque was presented by ROC (Taiwan) Ambassador His Excellency David Wu to Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Natural Resources and Agriculture Hon. Gaspar Vega. This was the second donation given toward the tilapia project, which is to be five-year long project that will cost approximately \$5 million BZ.

Today's donation will be used for the construction of a hatchery center for tilapia farming at Central Farm. The project is to provide male tilapia fingerlings to small-scale farmers around the country. Thus far, over 60 farmers have benefitted from the project and the long-term goal is to assist around 200 farmers.

Deputy Prime Minister Vega, speaking on behalf of the



**Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Natural Resources and Agriculture Hon. Gaspar Vega, Ambassador His Excellency David Wu**

Government of Belize and tilapia farmers, expressed his gratitude

for the donation as it will enhance the tilapia hatchery and tilapia

supplied to farmers of Belize and produce more of the fish in the future.

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## Medical Delegation from Republic of China, Taiwan Visits Belize

**Belmopan, Tuesday August 20, 2013:**

A 7-member medical delegation from the Republic of China, Taiwan visited Belize as part of a Health Project Identification Mission for nine (9) days from August 10th to 19th. The delegation was headed by President **Chu Shuhsun** from the Humanitarian Assistance Department of the International Cooperation and

Development Fund (ICDF).

The primary purpose of the mission was to get a better understanding of Belize’s public health system and programs and to identify areas in which specialists could help to enhance the health care services in Belize. During their visit, the delegates held discussions with officials from the Ministry of Health and visited hospitals and clinics around the

country. They were especially impressed by the mother and baby- friendly breastfeeding initiatives of the Ministry of Health and by the Belize Health Information System.

The MOH and the delegates from Taiwan confirmed that possible areas of future collaboration include treatment of chronic conditions such as heart disease and kidney disease — also emergency trauma cases

following road incidents or violent crimes.

The Minister of Health, the Hon. **Pablo Marin** thanked His Excellency and Ambassador of Taiwan to Belize **David Wu** for facilitating the visit which demonstrates the continued excellent partnership in health between Belize and the Republic of China, Taiwan.

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not masked and do not seem to be carrying weapons.

A friend of the missing said at the time that the motive was warfare between two rival drug-dealing gangs.

He said the abduction was linked to rivalry between the Union and Tepis gangs, engaged in drug-dealing in the Tepito neighbourhood of Mexico City.

All of the missing are from Tepito, with three of them related to jailed crime bosses from the area.

An estimated 70,000 people have died in drug-related violence in Mexico over the past six years, much of it committed by powerful drug cartels.

The violence has mainly been concentrated in the northern states bordering the United States and in the west, with the capital largely spared.

## Mexico City Bodies May Be Missing Youths

**MEXICO CITY, Thursday, August 22, 2013:**

The authorities in Mexico say a number of bodies found on a ranch east of Mexico City may be those of 12 youths abducted in May.

So far they have recovered seven bodies, but some reports say there may be up to 13.

The police said a suspect led them to two graves in a forested area near an eco-tourism park.

They said they were carrying out DNA tests to establish the identity of the bodies.

*"We won't have any results before two days at least. The bodies are badly decomposed,"* said prosecutor **Rodolfo Rios**.

The 12 young people disappeared



### All of the missing are from the Tepito neighbourhood

in May after visiting the Heaven bar in the popular Zona Rosa entertainment district of Mexico City.

Surveillance footage shows some of

the missing being led to cars outside the bar two at a time.

There is no obvious sign of force and the men who take them away are

## How To Be A Good Listener

11 Steps To Improve Your Listening Skills.

Some people are very good at speaking, telling their stories and being able to inspire others. Being a good listener is often more important than speaking. It gives a deeper level of understanding about someone’s situation, and helps to know what words are best to use and what words should be avoided. Should we consider the meaning behind people’s words? Should we look beyond the

vowels and the consonants to understand their body language and tone of voice to get clarity on their thoughts, feelings and beliefs. Here’s 11 steps to improve your listening skills.

1. A good listener is attentive. They make good eye contact, don’t interrupt what the other person is saying and show an interest in what is being communicated. There’s always something incredible you can hear in anyone’s story.

2. A good listener does not look over



the shoulder of the person that’s speaking, waiting for someone more interesting to come along.

3. A good listener does not check their phone or tablet in the middle of a conversation, when someone is sharing with them.

4. A good listener is not waiting for

their chance to get a word in, treating the ‘period of listening’ as a pause in their ‘monologue.’ Being so focused on trying to get ones view over is insensitive and misses the real value in the conversation.

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# Belize Successfully Navigating Through Troubled Waters

targets. Ministries and departments have been advised that the Ministry of Finance will not accept any requests for supplementaries where commensurate savings from their overall budget cannot be found.

Overall the proposed revenue and expenditure policy measures will result in total savings estimated to be \$435.9 million over the adjustment period."

MP Sinckler further informed that "Government has decided that in an effort to assist it in meeting the exploding costs of university education it has now become necessary to ask students attending and desirous of attending the University of the West Indies to contribute to their education in a more direct manner.

Therefore, effective 2014 Barbadian citizens pursuing studies at campuses of the UWI will be required to pay tuition fees from academic year 2014/2015, while the government will continue to fund economic costs. According to the most recent scale of fees, tuition fees for students in

the Faculties of Humanities and Education, Social Sciences and Science & Technology tuition fees are \$5,625 for a full time student (half for part-time and economic cost is \$28,125. For the Faculty of Law tuition fees are \$8,808 and economic cost \$44,040, while for the Faculty of Medical Sciences - Clinical tuition fees are \$16,618 and economic cost \$83,090, and for Medical Sciences - Pre-Clinical tuition fees are \$65,000. The Government of Barbados will continue to pay the economic

costs. This policy will reduce the transfer to UWI by an estimated \$42m a year.

"There comes a time in the life of any nation" said MP Sinckler "when all who inhabit it must pause and reflect on those things that sustain their existence and that of the place they call home. The times in which we live today are far more challenging. The cost of our existence is that much higher and the chance of failure that much greater. We truly are and will be what think we are. If

we wallow in defeatism we have already lost; if we speak failure each time our mouths open we will never succeed; and surely if we refuse to act in the best way we know how to save ourselves then die we will. It will not be easy nor will it be painless, but it will be worth every effort in the end. For the pain we bare now, will be the gain we secure in the future. Let us rally around our country and rebuke those that only see negative and only speak gloom. Let us replace intellectual arrogance and know-it-all attitudes with a spirit of openness to new ideas and new path ways. Let us choose togetherness over division, hard work over lethargy, success over failure."

## Matthew Ifield Injured In Second Attempt

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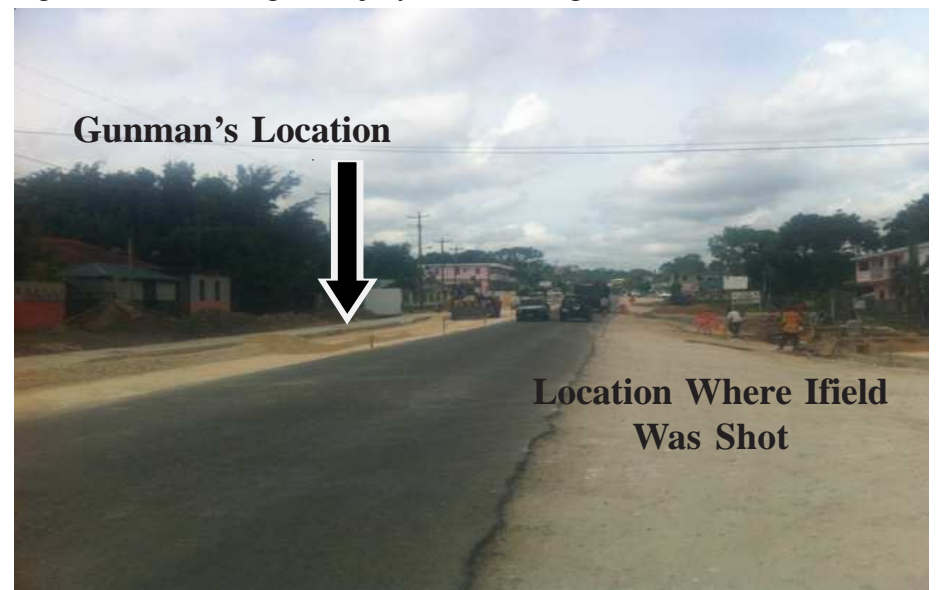
In this latest incident, San Ignacio police were summoned to the Loma Luz Hospital. Upon arrival at 8:40 pm on Monday, August 19, they were directed to the emergency room where they met Matthew Ifield undergoing treatment for a gunshot wound to the upper portion of the right leg. In a preliminary statement from the hospital bed, Ifield told the police that about fifteen minutes earlier, he was

riding his bicycle on his way home from a nearby restaurant when he was shot by a male Hispanic person who emerged in the darkness from behind an abandoned house on the opposite side of the George Price Highway. He told the police that the man, dressed in a black shirt and wearing a cap, fired a first shot at him which missed. Ifield said that he began peddling faster while hearing many other shots one of which caught him in the right leg. Notwithstanding the injury he

continued riding home and upon reaching home he fell off the bicycle and was assisted by his twin brother who rushed him to the Loma Luz Hospital.

Police visited the scene where they recovered 13 expended shells and one live 9mm bullet. Ifield was later transferred to the Western Regional Hospital in Belmopan for further medical attention.

An arrest is yet to be made as the investigation continues.



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