SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo District, Wednesday, November 14, 2007:

San Ignacio Police today reported the apprehension of a man suspected to be responsible for burglarizing a number of churches in the community.

Based on information received, San Ignacio Police visited the Minerva Lane, San Ignacio Town home of Ryan “Fing” Coleman, 23, Belizean musician, a search of the house reportedly resulted in the recovery of several items suspected to have been stolen over the past few weeks from at least two evangelical churches located on Joseph Andrews Drive in San Ignacio Town.

Mark Flowers is Back Again
SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo District, Thursday, November 15, 2007:

He joined the Belize Police Force 26 years ago, one month before Belize attained political independence in September 1981, and after making the rounds within several other law enforcement agencies, today, Santa Elena’s Mark Anthony Flowers is back within the ranks of the Belize Police Department.

He comes to the San Ignacio Detachment as a Sergeant of Police with responsibility for duties and discipline.

Although his actual re-inlistment date is November 1, 2007, Sgt. Flowers proceeded on two week’s leave prior to actually stepping into the new office today, November 15, 2007.

Since enlisting into the Belize Police Force in August 1981, Mark Flowers has served in almost every district station around the country. His longest stint in the department has been in service as a Special Branch Officer with tours of duties in San Ignacio, Benque Viejo and at Special Branch Headquarters in Belmopan.

In the first reported case, on Saturday, November 3, 2007, Lionel Fuentes, visited the San Ignacio Police Station where he reported that at around 8:30 p.m., on Thursday, November 1, the New Life Ministry Church located on Joseph Andrews Drive in San Ignacio town was secured and locked after the night’s church service.

He told the police that when he returned to the church around 7:30 a.m., on Saturday, November 3, 2007, he observed that the church was broken into. Further checks revealed that the church’s Yamaha brand silver keyboard valued at $2,000 along with a PO Yamaha piano PSR 295 valued at $800, ii) one black and gray Yamaha piano PSR 550 valued at $500 and iii) one 600 watts PV amplifier.

Police investigation led to the arrest of Ryan Coleman. He was formally arrested and charged for two counts of burglary in connection with the reported incident at both churches.

Unlicensed, Uninsured Government Vehicle Involved In Traffic Fatality
SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo District, Saturday, November 10, 2007:

It was shortly after 5:00 p.m., on Saturday, November 10, when San Ignacio Police responded to the scene of a road traffic accident on the rural road between Santa Familia Village and the Mennonite community of Spanish Lookout.

Upon arrival police met John Thompson, 42, Belizean, Ministry of Works Truck Driver, who reported that he was traveling from Spanish Lookout to Santa Familia when about 2 miles before reaching Santa Familia Village he saw a motorcycle coming in the opposite direction with two persons on board. Thompson informed that the oncoming motorcycle suddenly swerved in the

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Editorial

Consultation Tour? This Must Be The Sickest Joke We Have Heard In Recent Times

Some of the most intelligent Belizeans are either directly engaged or in some way connected to the party political sector of the Belizean society. Both political parties can therefore be credited with having brilliant minds within their ranks.

How is it then, we ask, that those brilliant minds within the ruling People’s United Party could have allowed for the recently concluded Prime Ministerial tour to proceed under the banner: “The Prime Minister’s Consultation Tour”.

With whom was the Prime Minister consulting on this tour that was paid for by the taxpayers of this nation?

At every stop on the tour, the Prime Minister visited with and spoke to school children. On several of the televised political advertisements produced at the end of each stop, we saw the Prime Minister addressing school children most of whom did not have a clue as to what he was talking about and most of whom are far below voting age.

On the flip side, consultation is woefully lacking in those critical areas where consultation is truly required.

The nation is yearning for meaningful consultation on the matter of its petroleum industry but there is no consultation.

Consultation is desperately needed in the area of the intended nationwide roll out of the National Health Insurance scheme, again there is none.

Consultation was needed in the plan to convert our district hospitals into poly clinics – still there was none.

Consultation should have been a must as government is insisting to further dip into the Social Security funds for partisan political purposes as it ventures to increase payments for none contributing senior citizens.

Consultation was needed for the free text book program which continues to hiccup under the hasty implementation process.

Then, despite massive national outcry against tax payers taking on the private debt incurred by the principals of Universal Health Services, there are reports of the continuing footing of this bill.

There is also the matter of non-consultation in respect of the buy back - sale – buy back and reselling of the BTL.

Is he in a better position to chart the way forward, in terms of the sustainable funding and the implementation of a workable mechanism for the nationwide roll out of the National Health Insurance scheme?

What did he gather on the tour in terms of the nation’s view on the subject of an elected Senate?

Does the Prime Minister even know that a Nepalese work force has invaded and is taking away a sizable chunk of jobs at the site where the dam at Vaca Falls is being constructed? Does he have a plan to reverse this situation?

Does he even care that Belizeans are being squeezed out of employment opportunities while all of us will be repaying the almost 100 million dollars for the construction of this dam?

Does he know if this foreign work force is in possession of work permits? Does he know if they are paying into the Social Security Scheme being the very same source that he is preparing to further drain in order to advance his political agenda?

The brilliant minds within the PUP could have selected any other name for the tour, but “Consultation Tour”. This must be the sickest joke we have heard in recent times?

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Time:
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Affected areas:
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Eulogy For Ms. Nicolasa Urbina

Ms. Nicolasa “Tia Nick” Urbina
SUNRISE: March 5, 1921
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“Good afternoon everyone. Please allow me to start by thanking all of you for coming out this afternoon to lend your support and to sympathize with the bereaved family.

We are gathered here this afternoon, not to mourn the passing, but rather to pay tribute to a person FULL of love for others. In her lifetime, Tia Nick was all kinds of things. Apart from being a caregiver, a humble, honest and loving person, Tia Nick was also from believer in God. She was a stalwart member of the local Nazarene Church. And so instead of mourning her passing today, we must take comfort in the knowledge that right now Tia Nick has gone to take up her rightful position in that place that awaits all those who love the Lord.

In her days Tia Nick was an enterprising lady. She was a shopkeeper – This is long before the days of all these fancy supermarkets. She spent a lot of time in her little shop. Many of us can remember that if we were short of that little shilling, she would give us what we wanted but she would take out her big book, write down our names and give us credit. This was the kind of person that Tia Nick was.

In her days Tia Nick was also a Banker – Many are the syndicates she ran among family and friends. And no one ever accused her of dishonesty in the handling of their money. Tia Nick lived 86 full years. Although she was born right here in Santa Elena, Tia Nick lived in various parts of Belize. She also spent a few years living in Chetumal, Mexico. Even in her old age she was an avid Christian, Tia Nick loved a party. She lived for Birthday parties, weddings as well as Christmas and New Years celebrations.

For some unknown reason, Tia Nick also took a liking to visit Melchor. She would oftentimes make the trip to Melchor with her sister, Tia Goya and her nieces. And they tell me that when they are in Melchor and they get hungry, Tia Nick was always there to the rescue with her corn tortilla, cheese dip and chicharon that she always took along in her little bag, the bag that she always took along in ‘Don Galindo’ which is the name she gave to the bag that contained all the goodies.

As we gather here this afternoon; Let us reflect on the kindness that Tia Nick showered on many of us. Let us reflect on the positive contributions she made in our lives.

Let us reflect on the Lady that truly loved and cared for her friends, acquaintances and family.

And so as we celebrate the life of this Truly Wonderful Lady, let us make a personal commitment to carry on her legacy in sharing LOVE, RESPECT and KINDNESS to one another.

We bid you farewell Tia Nick. We know that you have gone in PEACE. We know that you are resting in PEACE. You have touched many of our lives and for this we will always love and remember you. Continue to rest in Peace Tia Nick until we meet again.”
BY: Russell Vellos, Editor, Amandala Newspaper - Parting Shot on the KREMANDALA SHOW of Tuesday November 13, 2007. (Reproduced with the author’s permission)

On Monday morning, during KREM’s WUB show, the owner of a butane company made a profound statement. He said that 90 percent of their customers could only afford to buy $10, $20 and $30 worth of butane. He was not talking only about his company’s experiences, but the experiences of his fellow company owners nationwide.

He was lamenting about the fact that butane trucks had to charge the same delivery fee regardless of whether it was a full 100-pound tank of butane being delivered, or one that only had in $10 worth, and that of butane they were delivering, or one that only had in $10 worth, and that that only had in $10 worth, and that they had to make the trip twice – once to pick up the tank, and then to return the tank.

Before the butane company owners suddenly went on strike last Thursday, a full tank of butane had cost $111. It was this $111 that the caller was talking about, which, he said, about 90 percent of Belizeans couldn’t afford, because they were only buying $20 and $30 worth, with some only able to afford $10 worth. Actually, some consumers take their tanks directly to the butane outlet, and order even less than $10 worth.

Well, that is the plight of the poor, and the truth of the saying, “the rich get richer and the poor get poorer,” is once again laid bare for all to see. It is these same poor who, when they go to buy at the little shops in their community, cannot afford to buy a dozen eggs, or a pound of cheese.

People - our very real poverty is inspired by rising acquisition costs, or rising oil prices, or rising corruption in the PUP. While the poor get poorer, the bloated contracts continue, land continue to be sold for a few dollars to party cronies and resold for millions of dollars, which are then shared among the politicians and their hustlers, the little money scams such as vouchers for dead or imaginary people continue, and the feeding reaches a frenzy in anticipation of a terrible defeat in General Elections.

People - tings no haad out ya no more. Tings now desperate. Why does Mr. Musa insist on punishing us so, when he could give us the best X-mas gift ever? Call elections now, Dracula. Yu and vu vampires done gaan wid mos’ ah wi blood. Whe onu wan do, kill wi now?

And while the people suffer, what of the architect of Belize’s poverty, Prime Minister Said Musa? Is he likewise suffering? Are his Ministers suffering? And their hustlers, the little money scams such as vouchers for dead or imaginary people continue, and the feeding reaches a frenzy in anticipation of a terrible defeat in General Elections.

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By: Ray Auxillou - Hillview, Santa Elena Town, Cayo, Thursday, November 15, 2007:

An irate Postmaster from the San Ignacio Town post office is the first person to respond to last week’s article, on the drive for political independence, by Anthony de Leon, in a provocative article, about achieving independence from Twin Towns local government, for the Hillview community and forming a village to get more services for the community.

As the author of that article in last weekend’s edition of the STAR Newspaper, I got the brunt when the Postmaster informed me that the Post Office was NOW delivering mail into the Hillview area door to door and had been doing so for several months. I promised a correction in the newspaper.

The Postmaster said they had been delivering mail directly to houses, about once a week over the last few months into the Hillview Community on the slope of Green Parrot Valley. Since that is news, I hereby apologize and am happy to hear it.

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Community growing pains require solutions and this is one idea thrown into the hat for discussion by those concerned with such things.

So far, there has been no other backlash to the provocative article. Except the comments from local residents, that since we get nothing from the Town Council, we could probably get more nothing from our own village council. At least there would be some property taxes and business license money to work with to fix our bad street corners.

The battle of ideas for improvements to the community will probably continue. Hillview is nothing like it was six years ago, or even longer.

The houses are painted, additions being added, trees and decorative shrubbery growing and if we had asphalt paved streets, you would not even recognize the old DFC housing estate. A very few foreclosed houses are now being auctioned off at prices reminiscent of the early boom days in the beginning. They sank to half price for some years, but now have bounced back and it has become a most desired location.
SAN IGNAICO TOWN, Cayo District, Wednesday, November 14, 2007:

San Ignacio police believe that they have arrested and charged the person responsible for the October 4, 2007 burglary at Larry Flowers’ New Look Barbershop and the adjoining Mini-Boutique belonging to Elida Neal.

Acting upon information received, a team of police officers from the San Ignacio police station conducted a search at the Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town home of Jeffery Lopez, unemployed Belizean. The search led to the recovery of several items of clothing suspected to have been stolen from Elida Neal’s Mini-Boutique.

Shortly after the discovery, Mrs. Neal visited the station where she positively identified the items to be the ones removed from her boutique when the place was burglarized on October 4, 2007.

Lopez appeared in San Ignacio’s Magistrate Court on Wednesday, November 14, where he pleaded not guilty to the charge.

He was remanded to the Hattieville prison and is scheduled to reappear in court on Wednesday, January 9, 2008.

BDF soldier, Private James Jones, was sent to Haiti for a one year tour of duty as part of the UN Peace Keeping Mission. One week after arriving in Haiti, Jones wrote to his wife in San Ignacio asking her to please send him a guitar as he always wanted to learn to play a musical instrument and learning to play this difficult instrument would occupy his free time and keep his mind focused and off the local women.

Mrs. Jones complied with the request and sent him the best guitar she could find. She also took the liberty of sending along several dozen lesson and music books.

After the year, the soldier returned to Cayo. He rushed home and straight to his wife.

“Oh darling, I missed you so much” he gushed, “Come here let me look at you! Let me hold you! Let me kiss you! Let’s go out to a fine restaurant for dinner!”

Keeping her distance the wife responded “All of that will come with time but first let me hear you play the guitar.”

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Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ROSA MARITZA GALEANO is applying for the renewal of her PUBLIC SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2008 to operate COZY BAR located on Carillo Puerto Avenue, Santa Elena in the Cayo District.

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Stand-Off Resolved At The Western Border Station

BELIZE’S WESTERN BORDER STATION, Benque Viejo, Cayo,
Thursday, November 15, 2007:

Last week we reported on the stand-off at the Western Border Station whereby customs brokers and importers were protesting the Border Management Agency’s imposition of new operational fees and in the process, for five days, brokers and importers refused to clear their imported cargo until the new fees were rescinded.

An instruction from the Ministry of Finance for the suspension of the proposed fees was received at the Western Border Station at around mid-day on Friday, November 9, 2007, and by 1:30 p.m., importers began clearing their goods under the previous rate structure.

The temporary reprieve was offered on the understanding that stakeholders in the industry would meet to determine a fee structure acceptable to all.

After a first meeting with the Prime Minister in Belmopan and a subsequent meeting between a working group, at the offices of the Belize Chamber of Commerce in Belize City, the situation appears to have been ironed out with the agreed reduced charges as outlined in the table at the left.

Kevin Herrera, General Manager of the Belize Chamber of Commerce informed the media: “At that meeting we were able to make breakthroughs on two of the categories, that is the overnight parking and the ramp use fees.

We still had some issues with the overall parking, I think that was called the “visual inspection” fee previously. The users of the facility, had a major issue with that category and with the name of that category.

We were able to come to a compromise. Most of the fees were slashed in half and some even less, in one or two cases.

So it was tough negotiations, but I think we got something much better than what was being proposed.

I think we live in an era where government and other agencies need to stop trying to just push things down on everybody and try to consult a little more.”

Herrera additionally informed that the G.O.B. has agreed that the productive sector needs special consideration.

The new fees are scheduled to come into effect on Monday, November 19, 2007.

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Unlicensed, Uninsured Government Vehicle Involved In Traffic Fatality

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path of the Ministry of Works’ Mercedes Benz Truck, bearing license plates CY-B-1319, that he was driving, thereby causing the accident.

The person maneuvering the motorcycle was identified as Benjamin Garrido, 26, driver from the community of Duck Run II. The passenger sitting on the back of the motorcycle was identified as Daniel Ruano, 26, laborer also from Duck Run II.

Mark Flowers

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At one time in his law enforcement career, between 2000 and 2003, Sgt. Flowers served as the Deputy Director of Belize’s Department of Corrections at the Central Prison in Hattieville this was during the period prior to the change of management to Kolbe Foundation.

After leaving the prison, Mark joined the newly created Scenes of Crime Service which came on stream to assist the police in the collection and processing of forensic evidence on scenes of crime. In 2005 he attended a 6 month scenes of crime specialist training program in Taiwan from which he graduated with distinction.

Sgt. Mark Anthony Flowers comes to the San Ignacio Police Detachment with a wealth of knowledge in various facets of law enforcement stemming from the protection of life and property through the maintenance of law and order, to the collection of information and investigation of crimes, to the incarceration and rehabilitation of prisoners.

Mark Anthony Flowers was born and grew up in the Santa Elena neighborhood. He attended St. Andrews Anglican Primary School and the Belmopan Comprehensive High School.

Mark is therefore no stranger to the community and as such, he informed that he is returning to make a positive difference with the community he knows so well.

Sgt. Flowers informed that his efforts will be geared towards strengthening the relationship between the community and the police and in the process he has every intention of ensuring that the human rights of all those persons who come in contact with the police are protected and respected.

“In compliance with the policies and directives from the Commissioner of Police and the Officer Commanding the Cayo (Police) District, we will labor tirelessly towards putting forward a detachment where policemen and women will perform their duties in a professional manner and at all times respecting the rights of all those persons with whom they interact in the execution of their duties. Another area where I want to focus on is the tackling of all crimes associated with illegal drugs within the community” said Sgt. Flowers.

As in the case with most senior officers, we take this opportunity to welcome the Sgt. back home while simultaneously wishing him only the very best in the new position.

Garrido and Ruano were found to be suffering from head and body injuries and were rushed to the Western Regional Hospital in Belmopan where Garrido was officially pronounced dead. Ruano’s condition was too much for the Belmopan Hospital to handle and he was instantly transferred to the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital in a critical condition.

Our investigations revealed that the Mercedes Benz truck which is attached to the Ministry of Works in Santa Elena is neither licensed nor insured and has been without license and insurance for almost two years with the license and insurance expiring at end of February 2006 and January 31, 2006 respectively.

Although the accident is yet to produce an arrest, the police informed that a case file has been submitted to the Director of Public Prosecutions for perusal and legal advice.

Extremely Slippery And Dangerous When Wet

The motoring public is therefore advised to exercise care at ALL times when crossing this bridge.

Drivers must exercise EXTREME care when the wooden surface is wet as a combination of the water and the oil creates a dangerously slippery condition. The risk is compounded when speed is factored into the equation as vehicles descend the hill on both approaches to the bridge especially when approaching from the steeper hill on the Santa Elena side of the bridge.

Since the structure forms a part of the national highway network, the Ministry of Works would be well within its jurisdiction to erect the necessary warning signs in the area for the safety of all road users.

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