MIRALDA CHARGED FOR ATTEMPT MURDER

The Accused, Alberto Miralda, 20

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Wednesday, July 1, 2009:
San Ignacio Police reports one major weekend incident resulting in the imprisonment of a 20 year old male, Santa Elena resident. It was during the early hours on Sunday, June 28, when police were summoned to the San Ignacio Town hospital where they came upon a 15 year old boy undergoing emergency medical treatment for a stab wound to the left side of the chest. The 15 year old victim, Anthony Smith, of #43 Avella Avenue, Santa Elena was found to have been stabbed in the chest.

Mr. Bill has Gone Crazy...1992 prices are back at The Aguada!

Fish or Shrimp Platter With Fries and Coleslaw

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“We're not Expensive, We just look that Way!”
Working In Harmony For The Greater Good And The Needy In Our Community

How wonderful it is when public service institutions are seen to be joining forces and working in partnership with each other for the greater good.

Like in most cases, progress and development flourishes in the presence of harmony. There is a familiar saying that goes something like this: “You don’t realize what you have until you lose it.” Conversely, it can likewise be said that: “You don’t know what you have been losing until you start getting it.”

What a wonderful surprise it was, for example, when a few weeks after the February 2008 general election, the Ministry of Works’ heavy duty equipment were seen doing street repairs on Burns Avenue in the heart of San Ignacio Town, a condition which the community had not seen for several years. It has been so long that at first sight the equipment looked weird operating in town.

As the weeks and months progressed post general elections, the community has seen an increasing level of collaboration between the Ministry of Works and the Municipal Council. This collaboration has resulted in the paving of the Benque Viejo Road in San Ignacio as well as the paving of the lower half of George Price Avenue in Santa Elena.

For five round years, between 2003 and 2008, while the United Democratic Party was the municipal government in San Ignacio/Santa Elena and the People’s United Party was in Central Government, the local Ministry of Works remained under strict instructions not to come within a mile of any municipal project. The Ministry of Works would not touch a single municipal project, not even with a 10-foot pole.

In those days it was preferable for workers from the Ministry of Works to remain on the compound playing cards and dominoes instead of undertaking municipal street repairs as, in the narrow minds of some politicians, such undertakings would make the opposition council look good thereby increasing its changes for re-election.

The pressure was further compounded as opposition councils were provided with the very bare minimum in terms of monthly subventions and so the costly maintenance of municipal infrastructure was woefully lacking and in many instances impossible to undertake by municipal bodies. In the final analysis it was the people that ended up being short changed in terms of being provided with the goods and services financed by way of the very taxes they pay.

The community is now beginning to realize the magnitude of its losses over the years as it is only now getting its just share of national goods and services.

When we witness this level of collaboration which was lacking for many years, it somehow tends to reinforce the perception, that with their eyes set squarely on the vote, politicians are generally narrow-minded as they knowingly engage in sacrificing the needs of the people on the political alter, all in the name of their selfish personal political ambitions.

On a somewhat related note, this writer shares the widely held view that if something is not broken; why fix it. We are somehow getting the feeling however that the system for the payment of social assistance is as follows. There are certain clusters of persons who receive the assistance during specific times of the month. On those days, the Social Services Officer, under guard from a private security company, receives the cash from the District Sub-Treasury and on that specific day, issues the assistance. At a designated time, the payment closes and the remaining cash is returned to the Treasury. Therefore, if for whatever reason, a person was unable to make the pilgrimage to the office on the designated date then that person must wait until the next month to collect the little assistance.

It somehow appears that the antiquated process of issuing social assistance has outgrown its self. The limited staff in the office does not lend for the daily presence of an officer for the purposes of issuing the assistance as in many cases the officer is out of the office engaged in field work thereby depriving those needy person of even the little hope of at least speaking to someone who might be able to lend a sympathetic ear and work a little magic to enable those needy persons to get the assistance before next months round of hand outs.

What about the possibility, we ask, of relieving Social Service Officers from the responsibility of distributing the assistance and vesting that responsibility in the hands of employees of the district sub-treasury whose daily and primary responsibility it already is to collect and disburse government funds?

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Give Me 16 Ounces For Every Pound Of Food I Buy

Dear Editor;

Just one question: When are we going to get some serious government agency to protect us against, those unscrupulous grocers who continue to short us an ounce or two whenever we purchase the prepackaged retail food stuff off their shelves - I am referring here to items like rice, beans, sugar and flour?

A. Lewis, Santa Elena, Cayo

ED Note: What you might probably want to do is to first start by protecting yourself as you await the arrival of the “serious government agency to now operating pharmacies from their clinics.

Almost every doctor you visit now has his own pharmacy and will, 99% of the times, prescribe medication available at his pharmacy – rarely allowing you the option to make your purchase from another pharmacy.

While such a practice may not be illegal, it does raise the question whether the patients’ or their pockets’ well-being is now at the top of their priorities.

How do we know that the people are not being prescribed more medication than they really need; or that they are being prescribed those medications that desperately needs to be moved from the doctor’ shelves?

What about the prices – are they fair in comparison to those from other public pharmacies?

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Cornerstone Foundation’s Second Annual Youth Talent Show 2009

SUBMITTED BY: Aki Fukai,
SAN IGNACIO TOWN,
Cayo, Monday, June 22, 2009:

The sound of the young boy’s recorder resonates through the air as he does a couple spins for extra effect; softly swaying, the girl keeps time to her song about discovery and confidence; another girl closes her eyes as she belts out Miley Cyrus lyrics; swing-dancers flood the stage with twists, claps and spins; a dance group of eight raise their arms in the air; a “sick” story is recited; a fishing tale told; a Mr. Program appears. These were the sights and sounds of Cornerstone Foundation’s 2nd Annual Youth Talent Show.
The youth of Cayo took to the stage at Hode’s Place on May 29th, 2009 to show off their various talents amidst a backdrop of twinkling lights and palm leaves.
The large crowd that had gathered was not disappointed. Between the talented acts and the comical intonations of MC Mr. Albert Roches, came the beats of DJ Moz and the appreciative applause of the audience.
Taking first prize in the singles category this year was Efrain Modina for his recorder performance of “Edelweiss”. Winners in the group category were Ashley Arellano, Azra Roberts, Courtney Lyons, Delicia Locke, Elena Moguel, Giannie Montejo, Jen Lyons, Shania Defour and Trenses Escalera for their engaging dance performance of “Air”. Special performances consisted of Cornerstone staff and volunteers singing “Imagine”, Marrianne Foreman and Vanessa Chan doing an intricate dance mix, Jasmin Armstrong singing “I Can Only Imagine” and Mr. Program singing his hit single “See I Rise”.
Prizes (donated from many local businesses) were given out for first, second and third places as well as participation prizes for all those who performed.
The money raised from the Talent Show will be donated towards Cornerstone’s Feeding Program which currently provides 85 school children and 4 elders, who would otherwise go without, a nourishing lunch five days a week. Cornerstone Foundation is located at 90 Burns Ave in San Ignacio and is a non-profit humanitarian organization.
Cornerstone continues to seek assistance for the Feeding Program and we ask members of the community and districts/towns to please help in whichever way they can by giving donations of groceries and/or money for us to continue our efforts to feed the children of Belize that so desperately need our help.
Cornerstone’s office number is (501) 678-9909 or visit the foundation’s website at www.cornerstonefoundationbelize.org.
Cornerstone depends largely on fundraisers such as this Talent Show to sustain its Feeding Program, and this night would not have been possible without the generous support of local businesses and various community members.
Cornerstone extends a big thank you to all those in the audience who came out to support the show!

BELIZE WATER SERVICES LIMITED
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Board of Directors of BWS is pleased to announce dividends of 7.5 cents ($.075) per share for the year 2008/2009. Dividend cheques will be available for pickup commencing on Monday 27th July and our local office on Central American Blvd, in Belize City during normal working hours. Each shareholder is asked to please bring along a valid identification when picking up their cheques. Cheques not picked up by Friday 14th August 2009 will be mailed out to shareholders.

All shareholders are asked to inform us of any change of address especially those who did not receive their AGM circular last year. Kindly fill in the form below with your updated address and return the completed form to the address below or send via fax to 222-4263.

If you would like your dividend to be deposited into a bank account, please return the completed form no later than Friday, 3rd July, 2009.

For Shareholder Information, contact:
Belize Water Services Limited,
P.O. Box 158, Central American Boulevard,
Belize City, Belize
Tel: 222-4575 ext: 243 or 241
Fax: 222-4263
Email: shareholderinfo@bwsl.com.bz

BWS SHAREHOLDER CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

TITLE: ___________________________
NAME(S): ___________________________
NEW ADDRESS: ___________________________
TEN: ___________________________
EMAIL: ___________________________
SHARE CERTIFICATE NO: ___________________________
NUMBER OF SHARES: ___________________________

Please complete section below if you would like your dividend to be deposited into a local bank account:

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SANTA ELENA TOWN, Cayo District, Tuesday, June 23, 2009:

BY: Orlando Pulido

Minister of Education, Hon. Patrick Faber today visited the public library, in Santa Elena, Cayo. Accompanying Minister Faber on the visit was Cayo North Area Representative, Hon. Salvador Fernandez.

During the brief visit Minister Faber met with the staff and members of the library committee whereby he took the opportunity to inform of a $200,000 increase in this years national budget for the library services countrywide.

He challenged the Committee to upgrade the level of services they provide with the installation of a wireless computer network thereby facilitating internet access to students and the public they serve.

Stressing that literacy starts from an early stage and library services is an integral component in this endeavor, Minister Faber said: “In January of next year we will embark on a national literacy campaign.”

In other related news, the Santa Elena Public Library will be holding it’s Annual Summer Program starting from July 20th to July 24th of this year.

According to Librarian Ms. Eliodi Wagner, the Summer Program will be specifically geared towards providing lessons for the children on topics such as global warming and other environmental issues.
Submitted by Candy and George Gonzalez, San Ignacio Town, Cayo

To refresh our memories, the Belize Institute of Environmental Law and Policy (BELPO), acting on behalf of people and communities downstream of the dam projects, charged that the Department of Environment failed to monitor and ensure adherence to the Environmental Compliance Plan (ECP) for the Chalillo Dam on June 30, 2008, the Supreme Court of Belize ruled that an ECP is a binding agreement that imports duties to the parties. To date, those orders have not been implemented.

Though many sections of the ECP were not met, BELPO focused on the ones with the most immediate health and safety concerns for the downstream population: water quality, mercury levels in the fish, putting in place a dam break warning system and emergency preparedness plan and informing the public and seeking their participation and awareness.

As the hurricane season approached, BELPO wrote the Prime Minister, hand delivering the letter on April 27, 2009. Copies were hand delivered, on that same day, to the Minister of Natural Resources and the Environment, the Minister of Public Utilities, National Emergency Management (NEMO), Transport and Communication, and the Minister of Health.

The only formal response was from NEMO. Yet, we still have no dam break early warning system and the people have no idea what to do in case of an emergency.

We do not know about the mercury levels in the fish from the Macal River or how much fish can be safely eaten and we do not know the quality of the water in the river.

There has been no exchange of information or public participation.

When sirens went off a few weeks ago in San Ignacio, no one, including the Town Council Office, knew what they meant, if anything.

As we go about sharing information with you, we reproduce herewith the letter to April 2009 Hon. Dean Barrow, Prime Minister & Minister of Finance Office of The Prime Minister Sir. Edney Cain Building, Belmopan City

Dear Mr. Prime Minister;

On April 20, 2009, I spoke with the Honourable Gaspar Vega along with Chief Environmental Officer, Martin Alegria about the Department of Environment’s failure to assure the Environmental Compliance Plan (ECP) for the Chalillo Dam was being enforced.

Mr. Alegria stated that NEMO was the reason there was no dam break early warning system for the Chalillo Dam. I had spoken to Mr. Westby of NEMO who had told me the previous month that NEMO had signed off on the system and it was up to BECOL.

This letter is being written upon the advise of the Honourable Gaspar Vega who indicated that by writing you and copying the Minister in charge of NEMO, the Minister in charge of Health and himself, we might get the matter
CHAPTER 194, LAWS OF BELIZE (REVISED EDITION 2000)
NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13

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

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

(CESAR DIAZ)(MR.)
for REGISTRAR OF LANDS

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009001241
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, FORT GEORGE/PICKSTOCK, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 735
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 3754/2006 dated 24th November, 2006 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 44 of 2006 at Folios 589-600 in favour of GEORGE PRICE.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009002911
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, PLACENTIA NORTH, Block No. 36 and being Parcel No. 2494
This parcel is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 064/2005 dated 12th July, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 9 of 2005 at Folios 231-238 in favour of YOLA ROBATEAU & MICHAEL ROBATEAU.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904173
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, FORT GEORGE/PICKSTOCK, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1106
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1776/1988 dated 8th November, 1988 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 20 of 1988 at Folios 1315-1326 in favour of SYDNEY JOSEPH TURTON.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009041185
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, BELIZE RURAL NORTH I, Block No. 11 and being Parcel No. 887 & 888
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 3056/2001 dated 12th August, 2001 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 38 of 2001 at Folios 1063-1075 in favour of CHRIS JONES & ALLYSON JONES.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009041189
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2433
This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2984/1998 dated 17th November, 1994 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 35 of 1988 at Folios 889-896 in favour of JOHN GILLET

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009041191
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2036
This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 2452/1998 dated 8th September, 1998 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 29 of 1998 at Folios 366-377 in favour of MARTHA CASTILLO BALONA & JUAN BALONA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904200
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, MILLER’S BIGHT, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 512
This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2677/1999 dated 18th September, 1999 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 31 of 1999 at Folios 553-560 in favour of ELADIO ALAMILLA & ANDRE ALAMILLA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904232
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 579
This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 132 of 1989 dated 15th August, 1989 in favour of CIRA CRUZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904253
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 2220
This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 537 of 2001 dated 7th September, 2001 in favour of EFRAIN R. COWO.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904234
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 515
This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 589 of 1991 dated 2nd December, 1991 in favour of JORGE ESTUARDO CASTELLANOS.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904235
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1451
This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 808 of 2004 dated 11th October, 2004 in favour of JORGE CASTELLANOS.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904237
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1452
This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 807 of 2004 dated 11th October, 2004 in favour of TUBRICA JESUSITA CASTELLANOS.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904238
These parcels of land are situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1477 & 1478.
These parcels of land are the subject of a Grant Fiat No. 1306 of 2003 dated 5th February, 2004 in favour of CIRA CRUZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904239
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, PORT LOYOLAVILLE, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1367.
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 862/2008 dated 17th March, 2008 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 10 of 2008 at Folios 1489-1496 in favour of EDMAS MUTUS.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904292
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, KING’S PARK, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 364.
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 885/1980 dated 10th July, 1980 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 8 of 1980 at Folios 637-646 in favour of ZELMA INEZ EDGELL nee TUCKER.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904281
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ALBERT MESOP, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1494
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1213/1973 dated 3rd December, 1973 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 11 of 1973 at Folio 1243-1246 in favour of VICTOR E. USHER.
BELMOPAN CITY, Tuesday, July 1, 2009.
Positive steps are being planned to revamp the Belmopan Lions Club to make it more meaningful to assist the community.

A new Board of Directors was installed during ceremonies held on Tuesday night, June 30, at the Club’s Den in Belmopan.

The Club now falls under the presidency of Yolanda Mendez who took over from Marta Castillo.

The new Board of Directors are: Secretary, Humberto Paraedes; Treasurer, Lusto Castillo; Lion Tamer, Anthony Moody; Tail Twister, Gwen Zetina along with Amira Santos, Malikah Cardona and Sonia Neal. The new team also includes two 2-year Directors in the persons of Atlay Morales and Ali Kisling as well as Victor Bejos, and Ione Gillette who are both serving as 1-year directors:
Chairman of the Membership Committee is Justo Castillo, who has been a charter member of the 32 year old club.

In handing over the presidency, Marta Castillo told the gathering that the year just past was a very challenging one for the club.

Incoming President, Yolanda Mendez informed that she has every intention to revamp the service club with the injection of new vision and hope.

Guest Speaker for the occasion was Ismael Garcia, former educator and diplomat who made a stirring plea to re-energise lionism which he said should in turn do its part to address some of the social needs of the Capital City.

Master of Ceremonies was Mr. Orlando Raul Castillo. Belmopan City Mayor, Simeon Lopez attended the event as the Special Invited Guest of Honor.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that JAMES & ELIZABETH STOREY are applying for a PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2009 to operate THE JUNCTION located at the junction of San Antonio Road and Mountain Pine Ridge Road in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that JAMES & ELIZABETH STOREY are applying for a SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2009 to operate THE JUNCTION located at the junction of San Antonio Road and Mountain Pine Ridge Road in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that ZHAOAN CHEN is applying for a RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE for the year 2009 to operate WINNIE RESTAURANT located on Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.
A VCP for Mother’s Day

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"Son, we use them to devour the food we catch in the jungle," responded the mother.

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STAR HUMOR

 BASIC NEEDS TRUST FUND
TENDER NOTICE

San Antonio Village Rudimentary Water System,
Cayo District
(Supply and Delivery of Pipes and Fittings)

The Government of Belize has secured Grant No.GA23/BZE from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of Water Projects and intends to apply part of the Funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for Supply of Pipes and Fittings for San Antonio Village, Cayo District.

The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan City, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:


The contract consists of supplying pipes and accessories for the installation of a community water system. The pipes must be class 200 Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) with pipes and accessories bearing gaskets for seals and easy fitting unless otherwise stated on the Bill of Quantities.

Tender documents can be obtained from the Social Investment Fund as of Monday June 22, 2009 at the address below during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of BZ$50.00 per package.

Tenders will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 10, 2009. A Public Opening will be held at the SIF Office in Belmopan at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, July 10, 2009.

The Social Investment Fund will conduct a pre-bid meeting at 2:00 p.m. on June 30, 2009 at the Office of the Social Investment Fund, Constitution Drive, Belmopan with interested, eligible bidders, to explain the tender documents and address any queries.

The Social Investment Fund reserves the right to reject any or all tenders.

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BELIZE CITY, Thursday, July 2, 2009:
After about three hours in session, today’s mediationconciliation meeting between representatives of the Belize Medical and Dental Union (BMDU) and the Board of Directors of the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital Authority (KHMHA) collapsed.
The meeting, held at the Belize Biltmore Plaza Hotel in Belize City, included the participation of Labour Commissioner, Ivan Williams, in the appointed capacity as mediator.
The mediation process actually began on Monday, June 30, with the Union first presenting its set of proposals geared towards an acceptable settlement to the current dispute at the Karl Heusner Memorial Hospital.
After getting an understanding of what the Union was seeking by way of its proposals, the Authority, at today’s meeting, presented its own set of counterproposals which was intended to form the basis of today’s discussion where it was expected that the parties would have derived at a mutual agreement and a memorandum of understanding thereby settling the differences between both entities.
However, after perusing the Authority’s counterproposals, members of the Union informed the mediator of its total rejection thereof after which they proceeded to walk out of the meeting but not before informing the Mediator, that they were withdrawing in total from the process consequently resulting in the collapsing of the process.
As a result of today’s development, the next step in the process is for the appointment of an Arbitration Tribunal.

BELIZEANS NO LONGER NEED A MEXICAN VISAA Settlement of Disputes in Essential Services Act, the Minister of Labour is empowered to appoint an Essential Services Arbitration Tribunal.
Section 15 of the Act provides for the prohibition of any lockout and strikes unless the disputes had been reported to the Minister and provided also that a period of 21 days has elapsed since the date of the report and given that the dispute has not been resolved during that period.

BELMOPAN CITY, Belize, Wednesday, July 1, 2009:
The Embassy of Mexico in Belize informs that the Government of Mexico has decided to eliminate the visa requirement for Belizeans traveling to Mexico.
The Embassy today has sent a diplomatic note to Belize’s Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, officially communicating this decision.
The release informs that this new arrangement will not only benefit bilateral relations by deepening the ties of friendship, cooperation, understanding and exchange, but will also increases the migratory flows between both countries.
Belizeans will therefore no longer need a visa or a consular stamp to travel as a tourist or in transit through Mexican territory to another country.
When traveling to or through Mexico, Belizeans, with a valid passport, will now only be required to fill out the Mexican immigration form which is available free of cost at any of the land, sea or air points of entry into Mexico.
The decision is taken within the context of good neighborly relations and in the spirit of strengthening existing bonds between Mexico and Belize.
Belizeans who have an FMVL card (Forma Migratoria de Visitante Local) can continue using it in the usual manner to travel exclusively to Quintana Roo with a maximum stay of 72 hours. However, Belizeans wishing to work, study or engage in business in Mexico, will need to apply for the appropriate documents.
The FM3 which is used for those persons wishing to establish a business venture or for studying in Mexico can be obtained at the Consular Section of the Embassy of Mexico in Belmopan.
The FMTF to work in the states of Chiapas, Tabasco, Campeche and Quintana Roo, can be obtained at the offices of the National Institute of Immigration (Instituto Nacional de Migración, INM), in those states.
Further information can be obtained through the Consular Section of the Embassy of Mexico in Belize at telephone numbers 223-0193 or 223-0194.

BUSH MEDICINE CAMP 2009
1x Chel Tropical Research Center (ICTRC) under the directorship of Dr. Rosita Arvigo, is hosting its 11th Annual “Bush Medicine Camp”, from July 27th – August 8th. What started in the summer of 1998, has now become a much anticipated summer program that teaches young children from ages of 9-12 years, the traditional healing properties of plants and animals and how traditional healers incorporate prayers, plants, proper massage and herbal baks in traditional healing practices. Many sessions during camp are also about the ethnobotanical importance of plants in Belize and the environment.

This year, 24 more children from the Cayo District will be experiencing the world of traditional healing, 24 more children to carry on the torch of conserving the knowledge of traditional healing and conserving our healing plants and trees.

For more information or to register your child, call Salomie at 804-0264 or 623-2634.
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APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04398
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 776. This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fait No. 1149 of 2007 dated 15th January, 2008 in favour of KHALID MAHMOOD.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04399
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 659. This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2556/2008 dated 2nd September, 2008 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 32 of 2008 at Folios 317-324 in favour of KHALID MAHMOOD.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04401
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 7 and being Parcel No. 4289. This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 4659/1996 dated 28th November, 1996 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 28 of 1996 at Folios 1481-1494 in favour of ROBERT REICH & CAROL REICH.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04402
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 9 and being Parcel No. 338. This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2960/2008 dated 6th October, 2008 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 35 of 2008 at Folio 1467-1478 in favour of YURI ANDY GONGORA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04403
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 1 and being Parcel No. 338. This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 377/1976 dated 20th July, 1976 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 7 of 1976 at Folios 507-514 in favour of EFRAIN ALDANA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04404
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2061. This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 1411/1987 dated 27th November, 1987 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 14 of 1987 at Folio 921-928 in favour of VICTORIA GARCIA GONGORA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04408
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN PEDRO, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 2061. This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 2211/1992 dated 11th November, 1992 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 26 of 1992 at Folio 767-773 in favour of AMADA OLIVEIRA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04410
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SARTENEJA, Block No. 3 and being Parcel No. 1556. This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fait No. 1014 of 2000 dated 12th November, 2000 in favour of MARIA MUÑOZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04419
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SARTENEJA, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 169. This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 2018/2005 dated 29th July, 2005 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 27 of 2005 at Folios 1487-1498 in favour of KHALID MAHMOOD.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04420
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SARTENEJA, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 2512. This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 2693/2002 dated 20th September, 2002 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 32 of 2002 at Folios 257-262 in favour of KHALID MAHMOOD.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04421
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SARTENEJA, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 864. This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fait No. 760 of 2008 dated 4th November, 2008 in favour of CASIMIRO MESH.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009H04422
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SARTENEJA, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 777. This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Fait No. 92 of 2004 dated 15th March, 2004 in favour of KHALID MAHMOOD.
VACANCY

Investment Officer
Social Security Board

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: July 30th, 2009
ORGANIZATIONAL LEVEL: Investment Officer
DUTY STATION: Belize City Branch Office
REMUNERATION: Technical Professional 2 Salary Scale

QUALIFICATIONS

Education:
- Bachelor’s Degree in Accounting, Finance or Business Administration
- Associate Degree in Business with a minimum of 4 years working experience in mortgages or credit management
- Appraisal/valuation experience/training preferable

Skills:
- Sound working knowledge of Social Security and its operations
- Ability to thrive in a fast-paced, results-oriented environment
- Excellent oral, written communication, and telephone skills
- Computer skills – MS Word, MS Excel, MS Power Point, MS Access
- A service-oriented mindset and a commitment to providing exceptional customer service
- Good decision making skills

COMPETENCIES

Applicant must possess excellent customer service skills, be assertive, confident and mature with a high degree of integrity, honesty and responsibility. Must also be able to work independently and in a team environment, be flexible, motivated and willing to take initiative. Knowledge of debt collection practices will be an asset.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Manage and rehabilitate assigned residential mortgages’ portfolio
- Monitor loans and consistently follow-up with customers (phone, email, personal visits)
- Achieve collections targets
- Make recommendations and referrals for Loss Mitigation review
- Maintain productivity standards and perform quality monitoring and collection
- Refer non-performing accounts to manager for review and subsequent action
- Contribute to process improvement and efficiencies
- Other duties assigned from time to time

Interested Applicants can send their application letter and updated curriculum vitae to:

The Human Resources Manager
Social Security Board
Bliss Parade
P. O. Box 18
Belmopan, Cayo District
Belize, Central America
The Government of Belize has secured Grant No.GA23/BZE from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of Water Projects and intends to apply part of the Funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for Construction of Sunday Wood Rudimentary Water System, Toledo District.

The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan City, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

**CONTRACT #001.0408 of 2009: Construction of a Rudimentary Water System for Sunday Wood, Toledo District**

- **Construction of a 20,000 gallon ferro-concrete elevated water tank measuring approximately 20’x20’x9’4” elevated by concrete 18” columns 43’ off the ground at the tank base. The footings are 7’x7x’18” and are a maximum of 7’-6” below ground level. The structure will be enclosed by a concrete/chain link fence with the perimeter measuring 200’ with vehicular and pedestrian gates strategically placed for easy access; and construction of a concrete ground level pump house measuring 10’x10’ together with a generator pad and a concrete/chain link fence with a perimeter measuring 300’ with vehicular and pedestrian gates strategically placed for easy access.**

Tender documents can be obtained from the Social Investment Fund as of Monday June 29, 2009 at the address below during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of BZE$100.00 per package.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked “Quotation for Sunday Wood RWS, Toledo District. ADDRESSED TO: The Executive Director Social Investment Fund Constitution Drive P.O. Box 459 Belmopan City, Cayo District

Tenders will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009. A Public Opening will be held at the SIF Office in Belmopan at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009.

The Social Investment Fund will conduct a pre-bid meeting at 2:00 p.m. on July 16, 2009 at the Office of the Social Investment Fund, Constitution Drive, Belmopan with interested, eligible bidders, to explain the tender documents and address any queries.

The Social Investment Fund reserves the right to reject any or all tenders.
Clear And Present Danger For The Reef

BY: Candy Gonzalez
Contact#: 501 824-2476

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Wednesday, July 1, 2009:

Recognizing the fact that our World Heritage Site is in danger is an important first step in improving our efforts to save it.

The potential for our inclusion on the “World Heritage in Danger” list is a positive thing, presenting both an opportunity and a challenge.

Much of the attention over the last week has focused on a perceived ‘threat’ to the tourism industry from a danger listing – but this is not likely.

Background

In November, 2004, Belize Institute of Environmental Law and Policy (BELPO), with support from many Belize Alliance of Conservation NGOs (BACONGO) members and others, filed a petition asking the World Heritage Committee to designate the Belize Barrier Reef System World Heritage Site as a “World Heritage Site, In Danger” to bring attention to the threats to the Reef, particularly from climate change, and seek to give it more protection.

Similar Petitions were filed for the Huascaron Glacier Park (Peru) and Mount Everest (Nepal).

In 2005, 2006, and 2007 representatives of the petitioning groups tried to get the World Heritage Committee to recognize the petitions and address climate change. In February 2006, Dr. Melanie McField went to Paris to give expert testimony in front of the World Heritage Committee as to the state of the Belize Barrier Reef System (BBRS).

The Committee decided not to list these sites in danger due to climate change, but produced a special report on the threat of climate change on World Heritage Sites and began looking closer at the management systems in these World Heritage Sites.

The Petition was based on the premise that the reef was suffering from great damage due to climate change but other factors, like tourism, cruise ships, loosely controlled coastal development, and overfishing were making matters worse.

What Now?

UNESCO’s current recommendation to put the BBRS on the In Danger List was a result of their findings during a weeklong visit in March. It considers past problems, as in the Bacalar Chico and Pelican Cays, and more recent Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) proposals currently being considered within the World Heritage Site (WHS).

Numerous parts of the WHS, mainly mangrove islands, were actually sold to individuals (local and foreign) in direct contravention to their status as a World Heritage Site since 1996. Putting the BBRS on the “In Danger” list is a positive step for the reef. It is something that can bring international focus as well as funding to management efforts. Once Belize has taken steps to protect the World Heritage Site, it can be removed from the “In Danger” list.

The Galapagos World Heritage Site was put on the World Heritage In Danger list in June 2007. The President of Ecuador, Rafael Correa, along with the Charles Darwin Foundation, supported the action in order to draw attention to the greater management effort needed to ensure the long-term conservation of this site, with support from UNESCO and other international bodies.

It was not perceived as a commendation of the country but as a positive step to signal an increase in the level of management, recognition of its fragility and its need for protection from over fishing, pollution, natural disasters, problems with managing tourism, despite having some of the strictest regulations on development and tourism anywhere.

Sound familiar? It is. Those problems along with loosely controlled coastal development and even the sale of portions of the BBRS are exactly what our World Heritage Site faces and the reason why it is in need of added protection. Ignoring the problems, as the previous government chose to do, will only make matters worse.

We should embrace this chance to improve the BBRS World Heritage Site’s management defenses and encourage all who care about the Reef to work together to protect it for future generations.

We join with all those calling on the Government to make every effort to implement the following recommendations:

* Place a permanent prohibition on the sale /lease of lands within the WHS
* Prohibit dredging and alterations of mangroves within and in close proximity to the WHS
* Complete, adopt and implement the Coastal Zone Management Plan
* Adopt and implement the revisions aimed at strengthening the Mangrove Protection Regulations
* Fill gaps in marine protected areas, including an increase in the amount of marine territory under full protection (now less than 4%)
* Revise the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations and process to include stronger consideration for the cumulative impacts of developments
* Adopt and implement the National Protected Areas Co-Management Framework for Belize

We urge the government to keep collaborating with non-governmental partners. Unfortunately, reversing the trend of reef decline is increasingly more difficult.

Strong leadership and tough management decisions are now required to prevent this magnificent natural treasure from slipping away, both in name and in actuality.

HOME PROTECTOR INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED takes this opportunity to inform our Valued Customers and the Public in general of the relocation of our office.

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General Notice

Chetumal Street & New Bridge Construction

The Government of Belize has applied for a Loan from the OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID) for the Southside Poverty Alleviation project to be implemented on the south side of Belize City.

The General Public is hereby informed that the Ministry of Works on behalf of the Belize City Council is proposing to open the undeveloped lands hereby known as the Shaw Estate, Bradley Estate and other lands, located in Southside Belize City for the purpose of future road and bridge construction linking Faber’s Road (Western Highway) with Chetumal Street (Northern Highway).

The Ministry advises owners of properties within this vicinity as shown in the map below to register any concern at the following address.

The Project Execution Unit
Ministry of Works
Power Lane
Belmopan
Cayo, BELIZE

Ph: 822-0562
While the situation remains somewhat tense in Honduras since last Sunday’s coup which resulted in the overthrowing of President Manuel Zelaya, Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS), Jose Miguel Insulza, announced that he will be visiting that troubled Central American nation on Friday in an effort to seek the return of the ousted president to office.

“We hope the coup leaders recognize the damage they are doing to the country and the world and allow the return of President Zelaya,” said OAS Secretary-General Jose Miguel Insulza whilst attending a meeting of Caricom Heads of Government in Guyana.

Insulza informed that the OAS has given Honduras’ caretaker government until Saturday to restore Zelaya or be suspended from the body and that he will be visiting Honduras, not to negotiate, but rather with the sole purpose of restoring Zelaya to office.

President Manuel Zelaya was ousted in a military coup last Sunday in a dispute over presidential term limits which is an issue that has since evolved into the biggest political crisis in Central America since the U.S. invasion of Panama in 1989.

Honduran coup backers, headed by interim president Roberto Micheletti, argue that the overthrowing of Zelaya was legally ordered by the Supreme Court in an effort to stop him from trying to extend the four-year term in office and that Zelaya was acting illegally in seeking to amend the country’s constitution.

While the state run TV station showed images of a march by several thousand anti-Zelaya protesters, many wearing the national colors of blue and white as they took to the streets of San Pedro Sula, the same broadcaster chose not to show images of a pro-Zelaya protest of roughly the same size in the capital, Tegucigalpa.

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The Government of Belize has received financing in the amount equivalent to US $5 Million from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, related services and consulting services to be procured under the Emergency Road Rehabilitation Program in response to the Flooding Events caused by Tropical Depression No. 16. Bidding will be governed by the Inter-American Development Bank’s eligibility rules and procedures.

The main objectives of this project are to rehabilitate, stabilize and protect road infrastructure damaged by Tropical Depression No. 16 and to achieve this, the following works are being tendered under National Competitive Bidding (NCB):

- Billy White Bridge replacement
- Mexico Creek Bridge (Culvert Replacement)
- Bullet Tree/Branch Mouth - Road Rehabilitation
- San Ignacio to Belmopan - Road Rehabilitation
- Mile 5.9 W/Iwy - Road Rehabilitation
- Mile 5.5 – 9 N/ Iwy  _Rehabilitate Road & Retaining Wall
- Western Hwy miles 6-15 - Replace/Repair Culverts & Drains

Procurement processes of contracts financed by the Inter-American Development Bank will be conducted in accordance with the Policies for Procurement of Goods and Works financed by the Inter-American Development Bank (current edition), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Bidding documents will be available as of Wednesday, 17th June, 2009 at nominal non-reimbursable fees at the address given below.

Proposals must be delivered in sealed envelopes at the address given below by 12 noon on 3rd July 2009, for public opening at 1:30pm on the same day.

Project Executing Unit, Ministry of Works
Attn: Wilfredo Guerrero, Project Manager
Power Lane
Belmopan, Belize
Tel: (501) 822-2139 ext. 16
Fax: (501) 822-2298
E-mail: irfeud12@yahoo.com
Galen Summer Activities

Is In Full Swing

GALEN UNIVERSITY, Central Farm, Cayo, Thursday, July 2, 2009:

Summer courses on the campus of Galen University, mile 62.5, Western Highway are in full swing.

In the company of University mile 62.5, Western Highway are campus of Galen University, Summer courses on the Thursday, July 2, 2009:

GALEN UNIVERSITY,
Community Baboon Sanctuary.
Black Howler monkeys at the activities, interacting with the examining birds, reptiles, and one night at the Belize Zoo course by spending two days and Durand villagers free spay and neuter humane society in offering District students assist the local surrounding villages of the Cayo and Stann Creek practices.

Additionally, in the surrounding villages of the Cayo District students assist the local humane society in offering villagers free spay and neuter clinics for their pets while veterinarian Dr. Paquet-Durand is shepherding students through the “Wildlife of Belize” course by spending two days and one night at the Belize Zoo examining birds, reptiles, and mammals and, among other activities, interacting with the Black Howler monkeys at the Community Baboon Sanctuary.

With Dr. Colin Young, budding ethnobotanists have traveled to Masewal Mayan Forest Garden to learn about the Maya system of healing and the multiple uses of local plants. Some of Galen’s summer courses seek to better serve practicing teachers.

The special summer program for teachers runs from June 29, after schools have closed, right to August 8.

Under the guidance of Dr. Filiberto Penados and Dr. Alberto August, education students will learn how to better plan and manage their classrooms to ensure all children in their care have the best chance to achieve their goals.

Students will be engaged in a critical examination of the social context of schooling and Dr. Penados will mentor teachers enrolled in Education and Society and Classroom Management.

Not to be outdone, the arts have been the focus in courses, such as Digital Photography, whose students will exhibited their beautiful works on Saturday, June 27 at the Mall in downtown San Ignacio.

Photos ranging from the abstract to a poignant image of a woman praying her rosary testify that the students have been able to, as the theme of the exhibit indicates, ReFrame their vision of the world.

For students who don’t feel artistic even a course entitled Beginning Drawing may have seemed intimidating. However, under the sensitive guidance of UINDY visiting lecturer Marilyn McElwain, students have surprised themselves with the pencil and charcoal line drawings and the attempts to create the illusion of three dimensional drawings.

For the first time the University is offering a combined course Introduction to Theater/Theatre Production. Under the leadership of UINDY visiting lecturer Cate Moran whereby students are engaged in dramatizing Belizean poems and a play depicting the sometimes frustrating, often adventurous, ride through the streets of San Ignacio Town.

One of the most innovative courses is the two-week intensive course in Sustainable Development. The University Provost, Dr. Adamson led students through a process of visioning the sustainable world they would like to pass on to their children, finding information on the state of the world today, developing a roadmap to get to the sustainable world of the future, and making an action plan to start them on the journey to that world.

Please be reminded that applications for Fall 2009 are being accepted online at admissions@galenu.edu.bz or visit GU’s webpage at http://www.galenu.edu.bz/.

BASIC NEEDS TRUST FUND
TENDER NOTICE

Construction of Rudimentary Water Systems, Belize

The Government of Belize has secured Grant No.GA23/BBZE from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of Water Projects and intends to apply part of the Funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for Construction of Rudimentary Water System in San Felipe, Orange Walk District, and Construction of RWS for Corozalito/St. Anne’s Santana, Belize District.

The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan City, Cayo District, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified contractors for the construction of the following:

CONTRACT #001.0404 of 2009: Construction of a Rudimentary Water System for San Felipe, Orange Walk District (Construction of tank, pump house and fence) and CONTRACT #001.0403 of 2009: Construction of RWS for Corozalito/St. Anne’s/Santana, Belize District (Construction of tank, pump house and fence) includes:

Construction of a 20,000 gallon ferro-concrete elevated water tank measuring approximately 20’x20’x9’4” elevated by concrete 13’ columns 43’ off the ground at the tank base. The footings are 6’x6’14” and are a maximum of 6’ below ground level. The structure will be enclosed by a concrete/chain link fence with the perimeter measuring 300’ with vehicular and pedestrian gates strategically placed for easy access; and construction of a concrete ground level pump house measuring 10’x10’ together with a generator pad and a concrete/chain link fence with a perimeter measuring 120’ with vehicular and pedestrian gates strategically placed for easy access.

Tender documents can be obtained from the Social Investment Fund as of Monday June 29, 2009 at the address below during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of BZ$100.00 per package.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked “Quotation for San Felipe RWS, Orange Walk OR Quotation for Construction of RWS for Corozalito/St. Anne’s/Santana, Belize District.

ADRESSED TO: The Executive Director Social Investment Fund Constitution Drive P.O. Box 459 Belmopan City, Cayo District

Tenders will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009. A Public Opening will be held at the SIF Office in Belmopan at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009.

The Social Investment Fund will conduct a pre-bid meeting at 2:00 p.m. on July 16, 2009 at the Office of the Social Investment Fund, Constitution Drive, Belmopan with interested, eligible bidders, to explain the tender documents and address any queries. The Social Investment Fund reserves the right to reject any or all tenders.
BELMOPAN, Monday, June 29, 2009:

Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, Hon. Rene Montero recently concluded a two-day consultation visit with farmers and fishermen in the Toledo District.

The June 25 and 26 visit was geared towards the opening of dialogue and sharing of policies of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries for the promotion and development of the agriculture sector.

During the consultation the farmers presented many of the challenges affecting their productive capacities and requested the intervention of the Ministry to support their cause.

The first leg of the tour on Thursday June 25, Minister Montero visited with villagers in Monkey River, Toledo where he and the team met with over forty fishermen and presented them with some of the new legislations to regulate and improve current fishing practices, such as the passing of a mandate to prohibit net fishing and the implementation of zoning regulation.

Other matters discussed included Catch Sharing, Sport Fishing and the granting of fishing license exclusively to Belizean fishermen.

The Fishermen from Monkey River also expressed keen interest in forming a fishing association for the development and implementation of a plan that would ensure the responsible and sustainable use of the marine resources.

Then on Friday, June 26 Minister Montero held session with fishermen of Rio Grande. Key topics discussed was the possibility of exporting fin fish to Jamaica, issuance of fishing license, net fishing and the sustainable harvest of sea cucumber.

During the meeting, fishing folks in attendance were encouraged to venture into...
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This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 813 of 2000 dated 27th September, 2000 in favour of TOMASITA CAWICIL.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009041452
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 959.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 806 of 2004 dated 11th October, 2004 in favour of YVONNDA KRUPODEN.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009041455
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 474.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 545 of 1991 dated 12th November, 1991 in favour of AURA A. BEARDALL.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009041458
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 899.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 923 of 2007 dated 29th November, 2007 in favour of DOMINGO CRUZ JR.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904460
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 471.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 621 of 1992 dated 25th May, 1993 in favour of DOMINGO CRUZ JR.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904463
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 908.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 348 of 2001 dated 2nd June, 2001 in favour of LORENA B CRUZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904758
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, DANGRIGA SOUTH, Block No. 31 and being Parcel No. 1091.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 3021/2003 dated 29th October, 2003 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume-41 of 2003 at Folios 627-638 in favour of ABRAM PENNER BRAUN.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904768
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, DANGRIGA SOUTH, Block No. 31 and being Parcel No. 442.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 1 of 1898 dated 31st December, 1897 in favour of FRANK RHYS as administrator of the Estate of Santiago Rhys (deceased).

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904885
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SOCIETY HALL, Block No. 24 and being Parcel No. 521.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 416 of 1981 dated 23rd September, 1981 in favour of BENNETTE SMITH.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904896
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, PORT LOYOLAVILLE, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 2061.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Conveyance No. 1342/2003 dated 29th April, 2003 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 18 of 2003 at Folios 293-302 in favour of ALWIN AIDSTON LINK.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904900
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 2804.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Gift No. 2188/2007 dated 25th June, 2007 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 26 of 2007 at Folios 1483-1490 in favour of DAVID PACHECO.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904907
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, MILLER’S BIGHT, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 635.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Grant Flat No. 258 of 2002 dated 27th March, 2002 in favour of ARMIN CANSINO, LEO CANSINO, & ALI CANSINO (Jointly).

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904908
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 685.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1560/1989 dated 18th August, 1989 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume of 1989 at Folios 287-294 in favour of RAQUEL VUSO PELAYO.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904913
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ALBERT MESOP, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 1522.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Deed of Assignment No. 1190/1992 dated 18th November, 1982 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 14 of 1982 at Folios 513-520 in favour of CAROLYN BERNADETTE SAMUELS.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904923
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, FORT GEORGE/ PICKSTOCK, Block No. 45 and being Parcel No. 191.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Assent No. 2329/1991 dated 11th December, 1991 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 26 of 1991 at Folios 599-604 in favour of DENNIS GODFREY MORGAN.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904948
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1917.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1087/2007 dated 30th March, 2007 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 13 of 2007 at Folios 985-990 in favour of CLARA LUCY PAZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904949
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1918.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1086/2007 dated 30th March, 2007 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 13 of 2007 at Folios 973-984 in favour of CLARA LUCY PAZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904950
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1942.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1085/2007 dated 30th March, 2007 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 13 of 2007 at Folios 961-972 in favour of CLARA LUCY PAZ.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904951
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO SOUTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 1943.

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1088/2007 dated 30th March, 2007 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 13 of 2007 at Folios 997-1008 in favour of CLARA LUCY PAZ.
Macaal River did contain high levels of mercury. But that information was not disseminated to the public, in general. Concerning the water quality tests, it was stated they were “too expensive” to carry out. Yet people said they and people they knew had suffered and were suffering from various intestinal problems.

When Mr. Lynn Young appeared on LOVE FM’s Morning Show on March 16, 2009, a caller asked him about these things. He said that NEMO was the reason there was no dam break early warning system and he then said the reason there were problems about getting reliable testing done on the water and on the fish was due to “9-11”. When this was brought to Mr. Alegria’s attention, he said Mr. Young was “joking”. It is no joking matter especially when it was broadcast on the radio.

As another “hurricane season” approaches, the majority of the obligations are still unmet. We say we are a nation that respects the “rule of law” yet, in the past, rich and powerful businesses and people flaunt and hold themselves above our laws.

We ask that you urgently address these serious matters. People are worried about the lack of any dam break warning system and there is great concern over the safety of the water and fish of the Macal River.

We believe you have done a great deal to address the abuse of power of the previous administration and its “friends”. We sincerely hope you can get the Court’s order implemented.

Sincerely, Candy B. Gonzalez, for the Belize Institute of Environmental Law and Policy (BELPO), acting on behalf of the people and communities downstream of the dam projects.

Background:
The Government of Belize has received funding through the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) for the cost of income generating skills training projects and is applying part of the funds to establish an Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Center at the Roaring Creek Nazarene Primary School to provide students and the public with access to computers and the internet.

The project is also training residents in ICT related skills that can lead to income generation or integration in the work force.

The project has provided The Nepotia Hotspot Starter Kit to create and monitor computer/internet usage at the center. A consultant is now required to train the center operators and Management Committee in the use of this system.

Objective:
The main objective of the consultancy is to:
1. Set up the Nepotia Hotspot Starter Kit at the center.
2. Train the center operators and persons responsible for the management of the center in the use of the Nepotia Hotspot Starter Kit.

Scope of Services:
The consultant will
1. Assess the operation and equipment at the center and install the kit to ensure that all machines (approximately 15 computers) are being monitored
2. Provide eight (8) hours of training during a period of one (1) month to the center operators, staff and other persons involved with the management of the center. The training will cover the use of the system to calculate and record fees and to generate reports.

Qualification and Experiences:
The consultant should have an Associate Degree in IT or three years of experience in the use of the Nepotia Hotspot Starter Kit or a similar system.

Deliverables:
The consultant will submit a report that will:
1. Include the name and hours of training for each participant and
2. Weekly reports generated by the Nepotia Hotspot Starter Kit for one month.

Period of Consultancy:
1. The period of consultancy is expected to be thirty (30) days.
2. The consultancy is expected to commence by early August 2009.

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the Business Bureau, the Pharmacists Association, the Doctors Association, and or the Government of Belize to look into this now instead of waiting until another huge scandal (or casualties) develops before actions are taken to address this important issue.

Besides putting the peoples’ health and pockets at risk, I also believe that such a business practice is very unfair to the Doctor that has escaped the Doctors’ graps.

It is also my understanding, from speaking to colleagues within the Pharmaceuticals industry, that many of these doctors do not employ certified, qualified pharmacists even though this is a requirement for anyone operating a Pharmacy in Belize.

With such a loose system, how do we know that we are being given the right medicine every time we visit the Doctor or whether we are being given an inferior product that needs to be moved from inventory? How about controlled drugs? Who monitors to make sure that these Doctors are not over-prescribing or allowing controlled drugs to hit the streets un-noticed?

Editor, issues like the one I am addressing are very oppressive to the poor populace but are often times left untouched because they favor the rich minority. For that reason, I would like to thank you for allowing me to express my concerns and for giving me the opportunity of send out a call to the proper and relevant authorities to address this problem before it gets too late.

Signed
Orlando Valladares Jr.

SociAl InvestmenT FUnd TendeR noTice

Construction of Rudimentary Water Systems, Toledo District
(Construction of Tank and Pump House with Fence)

The Government of Belize has secured Grant No.9366/BEL (Europe AID/126752/D/ACT/BZ) from European Union (EU) towards the cost of Water Projects and intends to apply part of the Funds to cover eligible payments under Contracts for the Bladden Rudimentary Water System Construction, San Isidro Rudimentary Water System Construction and San Pablo Rudimentary Water System Construction, Toledo District.

The Social Investment Fund, a Statutory Corporation, established under the Social Investment Fund Act No. 3 of 1996 and located at Constitution Drive, Belmopan City, Cayo District, hereby invites interested eligible bidders to submit offers to the following:

- CONTRACT #001.0405 of 2009: Bladden Rudimentary Water System (Construction of Tank and Pump House with Fence)
- CONTRACT #001.0406 of 2009: San Isidro Rudimentary Water System (Construction of Tank and Pump House with Fence)
- CONTRACT #001.0407 of 2009 San Pablo Rudimentary Water System (Construction of Tank and Pump House with Fence)

Works include: construction of a 20,000 gallon ferro-concrete elevated water tank measuring approximately 20’x20’x9’4” elevated by concrete 18” columns 43’ off the ground at the tank base. The footings are 7’x7’x18” and are a maximum of 7’-6” below ground level. The structure will be enclosed by a concrete/chain link fence with the perimeter measuring 200’ with vehicular and pedestrian gates strategically placed for easy access; and construction of a concrete ground level pump house measuring 10’x10’ together with a generator pad and a concrete/chain link fence with a perimeter measuring 300’ with vehicular and pedestrian gates strategically placed for easy access.

Tender documents can be obtained from the Social Investment Fund as of Monday, June 29, 2009 at the address below during the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of BZ$100.00 per package.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked “Quotation for Bladden RWS Construction OR Quotation for San Isidro RWS Construction OR Quotation for San Pablo RWS Construction.

ADDRESS TO:

The Executive Director
Social Investment Fund
Constitution Drive
P.O. Box 459
Belmopan City, Cayo District

Tenders will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009. A Public Opening will be held at the SIF Office in Belmopan at 2:15 p.m. on Friday, July 24, 2009.

The Social Investment Fund will conduct a pre-bid meeting at 2:00 p.m. on July 16, 2009 at the Office of the Social Investment Fund, Constitution Drive, Belmopan with interested eligible bidders to explain the tender documents and address any queries from interested eligible bidders.

The Social Investment Fund reserves the right to reject any or all tenders.
Agriculture Minister Tours Southern Belize

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satellite farming of tilapia due to the suitable environmental conditions. The tour likewise took the minister on a visit with members of the Toledo Livestock Growers’ Association where the topics of discussion included market potential of exporting beef and other bi-products to Mexico; the high cost of inputs such as fertilizer, barbwire; the granting of license, by the Forestry Department, for the extraction of farm post. Minister Montero took the opportunity of reiterated the ministry continued support through the provision of technical support to producers in order to expand and ensure the development of the livestock industry.

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Minister Montero also took time out to meet with members of the Toledo Livestock Growers’ Association to address some of their concerns such as the price for rice seed and paddy rice. The Minister committed to ensure that farmers receive a fair price for their produce. He also made commitment to continue supporting small farmers by providing farm machinery and other equipment to assist in land preparation and the provision of technical assistance to ensure increase production and profitability.

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APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904095
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 119

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904094
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, SAN IGNACIO NORTH, Block No. 23 and being Parcel No. 2002

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904094
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, PLACENTIA NORTH, Block No. 36 and being Parcel No. 1972

APPLICATION NO. LRS-200904097
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 1949

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040970
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3294

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040971
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3291

This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 592/2004 dated 9th March, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 5 of 2004 at Folios 839-846 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040972
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3293

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040973
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 695/2003 dated 14th March, 2003 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 9 of 2003 at Folios 1109-1110 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040974
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3288

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040974
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 591/2004 dated 9th March, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 8 of 2004 at Folios 831-838 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040974
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3298

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040975
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1695/2004 dated 16th July, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 23 of 2004 at Folios 315-322 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040976
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3297

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040977
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1696/2004 dated 16th July, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 23 of 2004 at Folios 323-330 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040977
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3285

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040978
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1195/2004 dated 24th August, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 26 of 2004 at Folios 967-974 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040978
This parcel of land is situated in the Registration Section, ORANGE WALK TOWN, Block No. 4 and being Parcel No. 3284

APPLICATION NO. LRS-2009040978
This parcel of land is the subject of a Conveyance No. 1996/2004 dated 24th August, 2004 and recorded in Deeds Book Volume 26 of 2004 at Folios 975-982 in favour of RICARDO VILLANUEVA.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, I, OSCAR RENE CANO, is applying for a certificate to operate as a Money Lender under the Money Lenders Act Chapter 260 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, to operate in the name of CANO’S JEWELRY from that building located at #36 Burns Avenue, San Ignacio, Cayo. The hearing for this purpose is scheduled to be held in San Ignacio’s Magistrate Court on a date to be fixed by the Presiding Magistrate.
CAL STATE UNIVERSITY
AT FRESNO, California,USA

Saturday, May 23, 2009:

After four years of intensive theoretical and practical instructions, Joaquin Javier Depaz, 24, today graduated from Lyles College of Engineering, California State University at Fresno with a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Geomatics Engineering.

While he did exceeding well during the four years at Cal State, Joaquin emerged with a GPA of 3.7 in the final semester and graduated with an overall impressive GPA of 3.0.

In the world of engineering, Geomatics is a relatively new term which incorporates the older field of surveying along with many other aspects of spatial data management. It is a rapidly developing discipline that focuses on information with a location being the primary factor used to integrate a very wide range of data for viewing and analysis.

In an effort to gain advanced practical experience as he prepares to advance into the Master’s Degree Program next year, Joaquin has taken up employment as a Lands Technician with the California based, Pacific Gas & Electric Co. Limited in Concord, California. PG&E is considered as a major American Utility Company.

Joaquin is the eldest son of Jose “Che” and Martha Depaz of Toucan Street, San Ignacio, Cayo.

We join with relatives and friends in congratulating Joaquin on this latest achievement and we wish him all the very best in his present employment as he prepares for advancement in his chosen profession.

MIRALDA CHARGED FOR ATTEMPT MURDER

Street in Santa Elena Town told police that after attending a Saturday night graduation party in San Ignacio Town along with two cousins and on the way back home at about 1:30 am on Sunday, June 28 they were attacked by three male persons.

Smith informed that they stopped and were sitting on a culvert at a street corner when three male persons on bicycles passed by. The trio reportedly passed several times with the tension mounting every time they passed. On about the third passage, the trio stopped and two of them reportedly each pulled out a machete that they were carrying on the bicycle they were riding. The third person reportedly pulled out a knife and launched an attack against Smith and his two cousins.

While the two cousins received minor injuries, Smith emerged with more severe injuries and after being rushed to the San Ignacio hospital he was transferred by ambulance to the Western Regional Hospital in Belmopan where he is said to be recovering from a stab wound to the left side of the chest.

The investigation has led to the arrest of Alberto Miralda, 20, Belizean laborer of a Trapiche Area address in Santa Elena, Cayo. Miralda was formally arrested and charged for the attempt murder of Anthony Smith.

On Wednesday, July 1, the accused was brought before Magistrate Rachel Montejo, who is currently holding over for Magistrate Kathleen Lewis.

After reading the single attempt murder charge to him, Magistrate Montejo remanded Miralda to the Hattieville Prison until Thursday, August 6, 2009 when he should be brought back before the court.

LOST LAND/LEASE CERTIFICATES

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

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

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