



The Abaconian

SECTION B



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Schools competed in GIS project

Students planned best location for an activity center



Students of Abaco Central High School shown here won a competition to locate an activity center in their area using GIS equipment and software. They had to take readings throughout their area, enter the data in the computer, consider many local conditions and come up with a suggested location. The other two schools competing were S.C. Bootle High School and Moore's Island All Age School. This project was begun in September when a member of the BNGIS team introduced the project to the three schools.

By Mirella Santillo

The Bahamas National Geographic Information System held its second user conference at the Abaco Beach Resort Hotel from November 19 to 21. One of the highlights of the conference was a competition held among three local schools, S.C. Bootle High School, Moore's Island All Age School and Abaco Central High School, that were given the assignment to determine the best location for an Activity Center in their area using the Geographic Information System's hardware and software to support the gathering, management, manipulation, analysis, modeling and display of the data they accumulated.

After the formalities of the first day's opening ceremony, students from each school made their presentations which was judged by a panel of six. Each group made three maps which included their area of study, their settlement and of the island of Abaco.

Kentray Marsh, Giovanni Poitiers and Charo Williams, tenth graders of S.C. Bootle were the first to explain how and why they had chosen a particular location in Cooper's Town for their Dolphin Center, a 3000-square-foot building which was to be a multiplex activity center for art,

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Upcoming holiday events

- Toys for Tots Fun Day with Santa, games Dec. 6, 11am to 6pm
- Tree Lighting Ceremony Murphy Town December 9
- Tree Lighting Ceremony Dundas Town December 10
- Cay Events Treasure Cay *A Christmas Offering* Dec 10 at 7 pm
- Cancer Society's Art Show - Mangoes December 12
- Christmas Festival - across from BEC office - December 13
- Santa, Defence Force Band, Games, Crafts, Food
- Boat Parade - Marsh Harbour Marina - December 19, 7 pm

North Abaco public park is taking shape



A large well equipped beach front park for all the residents of North Abaco is being constructed. A large gazebo shown on the right along with nine cabanas will accommodate large groups for a variety of occasions. A large parking lot is already paved and a bathroom building is under construction. Each elected Member of Parliament was allocated \$100,000 last year to spend within his district. The Rt. Hon. Hubert Ingraham, MP for North Abaco, put his entire amount into this project that will be a gathering spot for all his constituents.

ECC students ride horses for therapy



A few of the students of Every Child Counts go to Winding Bay weekly for riding and for stable duties. The staff at the school finds that contact with the horses relaxes some of the autistic students and those with cerebral palsy. They can see improvement in their ability to concentrate. Shown here are Vincent Major, Winding Bay attendant Jean Phillippe Marc Sonny, Myron Sawyer, Eric Sawyer and James Major. This horseback program has been ongoing for three years. See story on page 17.

Closed Nassau grouper season begins December 1

The season for Nassau Grouper will close throughout The Bahamas on December 1 and continue through February 28. No one can land, process or sell and fish for Nassau grouper during this time. The reason for this closed season is to allow the grouper to spawn successfully. The grouper congregate yearly in large numbers during the full moon periods.

Overfishing of Nassau grouper has reduced their numbers throughout the Caribbean. The Bahamas is one of the few plac-

es where stocks support a healthy industry. However, research is showing the even in this country the stocks are showing signs of a decline.

Nassau groupers spend most of the year living on their own, but in the winter they swim hundreds of miles and group together by the thousands in order to spawn during the full moon periods.

Other countries are also now protecting

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Students gain great experience with GIS project

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sports, studies and school activities, also serving as a hurricane shelter. They determined flooding areas, proximity to the main road, parking facilities and distance from the shore to insure protection from winds and flooding using GIS software. They were accompanied by their geography teacher, Ms. Sabrina Russell.

Gelece Gaitor, Santrecia Hield and Temika Davis came from Moore's Island with their Principal, Ms. Ruthamae Rolle, to explain how they used the GIS to find the proper location for their Paradise Activity Center. They enumerated some of the data they gathered to create their map, such as a path from the main road to a blue hole, the airport and used the GPS to mark the vari-

ous sites that they judged important such as police station, public docks and public parks. They discovered an illegal dumping site near the school that they decided to incorporate in their project by removing the garbage, planting it and fencing the area to make it safe for small children. They reviewed the location of existing utility poles since they wanted the center away from the highway for security reason. The proposed 12,000-square-foot center would include a basketball court, skating rink doubling as a dance floor, computer lab, library, outdoor swimming pool, a jungle gym for the younger kids and a cafeteria. Located between the two settlements, they thought the center would create more activities for the residents and would be a safer place for parents to send their children. A nearby campsite and nature trail would cater to

eco-tourists.

Lastly Abaco Central High School took the stand after displaying a cardboard model of their proposed center. Mr. Nigel London, geography and science teacher

and the mentor for the project, was in the room giving his mental support. Raphael St. Hill and Kenward Bethel were the

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This team from Moore's Island All Age School came in second in the competition that the Bahamas National Geographic Information System sponsored. The competition taught the students how to collect data, locating structures and geographic information to put on their topographic maps. Then they had to use a special computer program to manipulate the information.



A special cake marked the second anniversary of the BNGIS program. One student from each of the three schools represented cut the cake and served it to the guest speaker and others at the head table of the seminar. Shown are Dr. Leon Higgs, Director of Higher Education; Mr. John Schaeffer, Engineer with Works; Gelece Gaitor representing Moore's Island; Kenward Bethel representing Abaco Central High School; Letika Williams representing S.C. Bootle High School; Administrator Cephas Cooper; Ms. Carolann Albury, Director, BNGIS; and Mrs. Lenora Black, Abaco's Education Superintendent.

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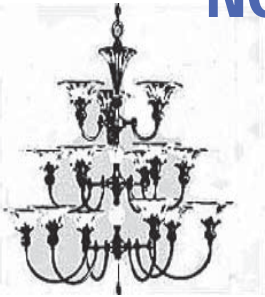
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- #3947 LOT 143 Abaco Ocean Club approximately 11,450 sq. ft. **\$150,000.** Bill Albury
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- #4071 BAHAMA PALM SHORES LOT 43 Good residential area. **\$30,000.** Bill Albury
- #4533 GUANA CAY Dolphin Beach Estates. Lot 68. **\$200,000.** Bill Albury
- #4572 LITTLE HARBOUR. 97 acre, 150 ft. harbourfront. **\$275,000.** Laurie Schreiner
- #4632 MARSH HARBOUR - High Rocks Waterfront Lot. **\$599,000.** Bill Albury
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North Abaco News

North Abaco News

By Vernique Russell

Cay Events Christmas Offering

The Cay Events Committee in Treasure Cay was formed five years ago to bring wholesome entertainment into the community. The committee showcase talents that are local and international in the winter season. This Christmas a special invitation is extended to the residents to join the Cay Events Committee for *A Christmas Offering*. The venue for this event is at the Treasure Cay Community Center and will be on December 10 at 7 p.m.. The funds raised at the Christmas offering will be used to improve the appearance of the community center. The committee is looking forward to having you joined them for a fun filled evening.

Treasure Cay is Developing

If you travel through the community of Treasure Cay, you will notice that there is a lot of development with the construction of new businesses and residences. The recent projects in the Treasure Cay area includes the Pineapple Point Resort, the Cottages and the Mariposa Development at the Sand Banks Landing.

The Pineapple Point Resort has completed two of their units and two more are

under construction. The beautiful pineapple-yellow-painted buildings are pleasant to the eye. Work continues daily at the site and owners will soon be able to host viewing for sales. It is anticipated that all units will be completed by mid-year 2009.

Mariposa at Sand Bank Landing and Sea Biscuit Marina are currently in the early development stage of Phase I. Property for the first phase will be available for sale in 2009. Phase I will include an 88-slip marina with a controlling depth of 12 feet that can accommodate vessels up to 150 feet, a 20-room Marina Inn Hotel, nine town homes, 57 condominiums, nine ocean estates, 23 marina front estate lots, 13 beach front lots and a beach and tennis club.

The Cottages has also been completed and are now ready for viewing. The Cottages is a condo development located on the beautiful beach shores of Treasure Cay near Treasure Cay Top Sider Property. There is a total of 21 units and the surrounding grounds are beautifully landscaped. The condos are ready for buyers to move in.

There is a lot of other residential construction underway. Both local and second homeowners are constructing new homes and renovating existing homes.

It is clear that the community of Treasure Cay is growing and residents ought to prepare their selves for the increase. The growth is expected to create jobs and bring much prosperity to the area. Will this be the start of a new economic boom or will the prosperity that is anticipated be dampened by the current economics times we are living in. We will all have to wait to see what the future will bring but owners of the projects are optimistic about the future.

North Abaco Youth Community Marching Band

We were fortunate to have a few of our young people from North Abaco join the Royal Bahamas Police Force and become full fledged officers and reserves. Out of that group is Const. Demario McIntosh, who is seeking to give back to the community and ensure that our youths are steered in the right direction. He is seeking to provide wholesome activities that will provide another option for the youths of North Abaco.

The police are seeking to bring the community marching band to North Abaco. Initial work has already began to get the band started. The committee is inviting young men and ladies to be a part of this exciting move. If you have zest for music and would like to join the community marching band, you can obtain more information by contacting Const. McIntosh or visiting the Cooper's Town Police Station.

ZNS celebrates 18th anniversary

During the week of November 3rd to 8th, the staff of ZNS News Night 13 Northern Bahamas graced the island of Abaco with their presence as part of their 18th Anni-

versary celebrations. They broadcast local news from this island and were hosted at the Treasure Cay Resort for their first three nights where they broadcast live. They featured the Treasure Cay Primary and Sherlin Bootle schools in North Abaco along with the emergency services center. They were treated a dinner party reception at the Bahama Beach Club and enjoyed the warm hospitality that they received throughout the island.

Fish Fries

With limited activities in North Abaco, a special invitation is extended to the public to enjoy the fish fries. These are held on Wednesday nights at Louise's Restaurant & Bar in Fire Road and at the Regatta Village at the Ferry Landing in Treasure Cay.

On Sunday nights the North Abaco Summer Festival and Power Boat Race Committee hosts an evening of fun and socializing at the Ferry Landing site. Fish fries begin weekly at 7 p.m. The atmosphere is kept clean so that the entire family can enjoy the festivities. Persons can enjoy a variety of meals from a number of vendors.

Friends holds Plant Fair in North Abaco

Friends of the Environment held a Plant Fair for the residents of North Abaco at the S.C. Bootle High School recently. Various presenters told the gathering about the advantages of growing native plants and trees in general around their homes. Special tips were given in regard to plant care, pruning and mulching. Each person attending was given a free native plant. Some of those plants including yellow elder, almond and

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The new officers of the PTA of S.C. Bootle High School are working to improve the school. They are Arlene Cornish, Treasurer; Freddie McIntosh, Assisant. Chaplain; Myrtis Russell, Public Relations Officer; Nurse Charmaine Cornish, Secretary; Selva Sawyer, Vice-President; Rosie Forbes, Assistant Treasurer; Coretta McIntosh, Chaplain; and Sylvia Poitier, President.

Marnies Landing, Elbow Cay

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3. THE COTTAGES

Now the newest oceanfront development on Treasure Cay beach comprising 10 individual luxury units
 Starting at \$900,000 + 12% closing

4. BAHAMA BEACH CLUB

Luxury condominium project on Treasure Cay Beach. 3 bed / 3 bath / Den / Lanai / on-site pool and many other features
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TEASURE LANDING

Unit #4 Upstairs 3 bed/2bath fully furnished, direct beach access. Good rental investment
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ROYAL PALM

Canal front condos with on site tennis and pool
 2 bed / 2 bath lower unit marina view. Good rental income EXC \$526,350

2 bed/ 2 bath lower unit with marina view. 12 ft. boat slip with 12,000 lb. lift. Never rented.
 EXC \$655,950 FGS

TREASURE HOUSE

Ocean front luxury octagonal units with lagoon/ pool/waterfall. Good rental potential.

Unit #7 Two storey 2 bed/ 2 bath home.
 MLS \$545,000 + 7.5% closing

BAHAMA BEACH CLUB

Resale condos available in first completed project. Ready to go. Both units never rented but definite potential. MUST SEE PROPERTIES.

Downstairs unit 3 bed / 2 bath with den/ optional 4th bed. Completely and tastefully furnished with many extra features including garage and Ford Taurus \$1,002,000 FGS

ATLANTIS

Canal Front Condos with on-site Pool
 Bldg 4 Downstairs 2 bed / 2 bath, totally redone, boat slip
SOLD
 EXC. \$468,000 FGS

SAND DOLLAR

Unit #3 Ocean front, downstairs 2 bed/2 bath, fully furnished. \$640,000 FGS

ROYAL POINCIANA

Ocean Front Condos with on site pool and tennis
 3 bed / 3 bath upper unit, fully furnished, beach front, with good rental potential.
 Priced to sell. \$865,000 + 7.5%

SANDPIPER BEACH

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GALLEON BAY ESTATES

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"Cross Winds" Split level CBS home extra large lot across from 2 beach greenways. Private. Master bed/ bath suite upstairs. Lower level 2 bed / 2 bath, cozy living room/ kitchen/ dining/ utility. Apartment annex 1bed/ 1 bed, living kitchen, enclosed patio. Plus! Plus! Plus!
 MLS \$755,000 + 7.5% closing

"Surf Shack" This CBS totally renovated two-storey luxury modern home is located on a large corner lot in the prestigious area of Lee ward Beach and Sunrise Point. Both levels include 4 bed / 3 1/2 bath plus above ground pool with wrap around deck. many, many more features, i.e. hurricane shutters and generator. "A definite must see!"
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buttonwood were donated to the school toward their 1,000 tree planting program.

School News

Sherlin Bootle hosted parent and student forum

The staff of S.C. Bootle High School held a meeting with parents and students of grade 12 to update parents on events during this final year the students will be in high school. Science teacher Simone Baptiste gave a Power Point presentation on proper study skills and habits. Guidance Officer Rashida Murray explained the new parenting initiative. Home Room teacher Altenese Cartwright briefed parents on graduation requirements and plans. Vari-

ous subject teachers talked about BGCSE course work and examination requirements. Scholarships and future employment opportunities were also discussed. Newly elected PTA president, Mrs. Sylvia Poitier, also addressed the gathering

Welcome back

The Sherlin Bootle family lost its Guidance Councilor during the last school year; however, this year the school received a new Councilor, Ms. Rashida Murray who reported to work in September. She is a native who hails from Treasure Cay and is a former student of S.C. Bootle. Ms. Murray is grateful for the opportunity to give back to her community and is looking forward to working with the students who have been entrusted to her care.

New PTA Board Elected

Sherlin Bootle High school held its first PTA Meeting on September 23rd at the school. Achievements from last year were reviewed and expectations for this year were discussed. The Royal Bahamas Defense Force introduced its Rangers Program to the parents. Elections for a new PTA Board took place as outgoing President, Clayton McIntosh was presented with an appreciation plaque for his four years of service. The newly elected PTA Board members are Arlene Cornish, Treasurer; Freddie McIntosh, Asst. Chaplain; Myrtis Russell, Public Relations Officer; Nurse Charmaine Cornish, Secretary; Selva Sawyer, Vice-President; Rosie Forbes, Assistant Treasurer; Coretta McIntosh, Chaplain; and Sylvia Poitier, President.

Job Interviews

The business teacher at the Sherlin Bootle High School in an effort to prepare the students for life after high school staged a series of job interviews to provide exposure to what will be expected of them when they are interviewed. The students dressed for the occasion. Leading up to the interview students were required to submit job applications along with the required supporting documents and prepared a resume. These interviewers included Principal Huel Moss, Rev. Stafford Symonette, Mr. Kenneth Romer and Ms. C. Cornish. The students were well poised and showed professionalism as they were interviewed.

Computer Classes for Teachers

The Organization of American States in conjunction with the Ministry of Education has sponsored a computer course for teachers. The staff of S. C. Bootle High took full advantage of this opportunity. On October

11th the teachers were involved in the first session which lasted for five hours, with 35 hours remaining to complete the course. These sessions will continue Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Mr. Kevin Hepburn, Senior Master, is the instructor. The teachers were very enthusiastic about the course.

Elections at S. C. Bootle High

Students at S.C. Bootle High School elected Head Boy and Head Girl for the 2008-2009 school year. Students were equipped with their voter's card as they went to the various polling booths to cast their votes. Upon completion, their ballots were placed in the ballot boxes and their fingers dipped in ink to confirm their voting. The students enjoyed the process and also the fact that they were able to be involved in electing the persons they wish to represent them and their school. At the end of the day Johnell Forbes emerged as Head Girl and Elaine Fenelus as Deputy Head Girl and Anthony Young as Head Boy.

Ministry of Tourism visits

The students of Grade 9 at the S.C. Bootle High School met with Tourism Officials who enlightened them on various aspects of tourism. The purpose of the exercise was to allow the students to be better able to answer questions for their Social Studies Course Work which is a component of the BJC examination for Social Studies. Ms. Dushinka Roberts and Ms. Millie Dawkins gave the students an in-depth look at the different aspects of tourism. The students left with a better idea about their course work as it relates to tourism.



Students at S.C. Bootle High School learned a great deal about how elections are held when they elected their own Head Boy and Head Girl. They had to show their voter's card and when finished voting their ballots went into the ballot boxes. They even sported inked fingers to show that they had voted to preclude someone voting twice.

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Winding Bay Initiative

In an effort to help young Abaconians acquire knowledge about their personal development and gain skills essential for the job market, the Abaco Club on Winding Bay is extending its expertise to high schools on the island. Facilitating this pilot program with the school is Mr. Whitney J. Bain III, Learning and Quality Manager at The Abaco Club. The sessions take place every two weeks for two hours each time. At S.C. Bootle High there are three focus groups which gain valuable information from these sessions. The first group is made of approximately 30 boys Boys and Gentlemen's Club; the second group con-

sists of a mixed gender 11th grade class; and the third group is an all boys 7th grade class. It is the aim of the program to focus on three very important areas: personal development plan, communications and critical thinking/implementation. The program will extend basically throughout the entire school year. There are high expectations in regards to what this program will produce as it assists our students in realizing their true potential, becoming aware of their strengths and weaknesses and then using that knowledge to improve their lives and communities.

Royal Bahamas Defense Force Rangers

The Royal Bahamas Defense Force established a branch of their youth program, the Rangers, at S.C. Bootle High School recently. As many as 20 students are enrolled in the program, which sets out to familiarize students who are seriously considering a career in the Defense Force when they graduate high school. The students will go through a rigorous training and discipline program culminating in a grand graduation ceremony.

Meeting held for parents of Grade Nine

Ms. Simone Baptiste, Science Teacher,

made a PowerPoint presentation to the parents and students of grade-9 during a recent grade-level meeting at S.C. Bootle High School. She briefed parents on good study habits and homework strategies; which included topics such as exercise, diet, best time of day or night to study, study environment, and, of course, parental involvement. The meeting was held to update parents on the status of their children on BJC preparedness and other matters of concern.

Primary School

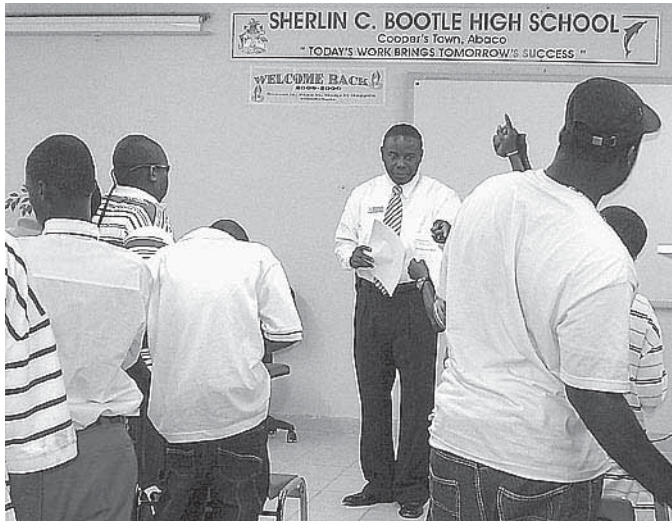
Volleyball Tournament

The Treasure Cay Primary School park was filled with action on November 14th as the Treasure Cay Primary, Amy Roberts Primary and the Fox Town Primary schools participated in a volleyball tournament. Throughout The Bahamas both government and private schools are focusing on volleyball. The school competed in upper primary games between the boys and girls. At the end of the tournament the boys of Treasure Cay Primary emerged as the winners in their division and the girls

of Amy Roberts won their division. Congratulations to both schools on their wins.

Spanish Classes

La Clinica Espanola will be offering Spanish classes for adults beginning in January, 2009. The course lecturer, Mrs. Mahalia Levarity, is now accepting applications from interested persons. The course will help those taking the course to learn basic Spanish, giving them the opportunity to converse fluently in the language. The beginners' phrase of the course will last for six weeks. Material and resources are provided by the class host and are included in the course fee at no extra cost. Following the beginners' level, there will be an intermediate and advanced level courses. Persons will meet twice a week for classes. A special appeal is made to persons in the tourism industry to take advantage of the classes so that they can better accommodate their clientele. For further information please contact Mrs. Levarity at 365-8292.



The Abaco Club on Winding Bay is working with students of S.C. Bootle High School to develop their skills for the job market. Mr. Whitney J. Bain III spends time each week working with three groups to help them learn to communicate and think critically.

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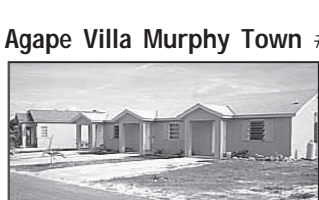


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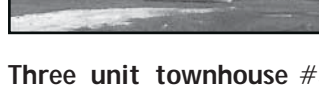
Three bedroom, two bathroom home, #500 fully furnished, central air conditioning, on 9,000 sq. ft. Landscaped with beautiful trees and lawn. Rented. REDUCED \$148,400



Murphy Town #517 beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath 900 sq. ft home built on 10,000 sq. ft. of property, fenced in, beautiful landscaping \$164,000



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Great Cistern Estates - Nine lots for sale in new gated community in Great Cistern, Abaco. Residential only

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Lot D 8,676 sf \$34,700 gross	Lot I 10,474 sf \$83,792 gross
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For sale three lots located on South Lubbers Quarters in the Abaco Ocean Club Estate. Lots number 11, 44, 112. These lots are priced individually. 11,022 sf. \$88,000 gross
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Christmas Production

The El Shaddai Christian Academy will present its first Christmas production with the theme *A Tropical Christmas to Remember*. The school will host its production on December 11th at the Treasure Cay Community Center beginning at 7 p.m. A special invitation is extended to the public to join us. See the children perform in dances, plays and recitals both in English and Spanish.

**Church News
Conference at the
Church of God**

The Church of God Cathedral in Cooper's Town hosted a week of services that focused on the women. Women from the length of the island gathered to listen to messages of inspiration and hope from local and national speakers. The hearts of those attending were inspired, challenged and changed. The conference was a success and was very well attended.

**Revival Time donates
playground for preschool**

Bishop Henry Wright and the members of Revival Time Pentecostal in Cooper's Town donated a playground to the children enrolled at Success Kids Academy in Cooper's Town. Construction of the playground is underway. No date has been set for the official dedication but Principal Delores McIntosh and her staff is very grateful for the play area. They extend a thank

you to Bishop Wright and his congregation for their kind donation

**Full Gospel Assembly
hosted conference**

Under the theme *God's Grace* the Women's Ministry of Full Gospel Assembly hosted a women's conference on October 2 through 5 at the church in Treasure Cay. On October 2 guest speaker was Rev. Yvette McIntosh of the Church of God in Cooper's Town, who spoke on *Grace to Suffering*. The very powerful word that she delivered pierced the hearts of the audience as they were all forced to look into the mirror and see themselves for what they were.

On Friday night Dr. Jennifer Deavaux of Nassau was the guest speaker. She gave the people a renewed faith to holdfast to the promises of God even in these difficult and trying times. On Saturday the organizers hosted a tea party and on Sunday Min. Charlene Paul delivered the Word.

2nd Annual Tea Party

The second annual tea party hosted by Full Gospel Assembly Women's Ministry was held on October 4th. Due to inclement weather the venue was the Treasure Cay Community Center. The theme for this year was *Tea, an International Ting*. Organizers brought together countries from all over the world through teas. A large variety of Bahamian Bush teas, teas from Africa, Britain, South America and China were all featured. Entertainment was provided through music, dance and the highlight of the evening was a bag and shoe fashion show.

There was also a *I'm a Little Teapot* competition. Models represented the various countries that teas originated in. The

setting was beautiful and painted a memorable picture in the minds of the attendees who are already anxious to see what is in store for next year. Although the venue change was at the last minute, organizers did an excellent job in getting the place ready. Congratulations are extended to the Women's Ministry of Full Gospel Assembly and their partners on their second annual tea party.

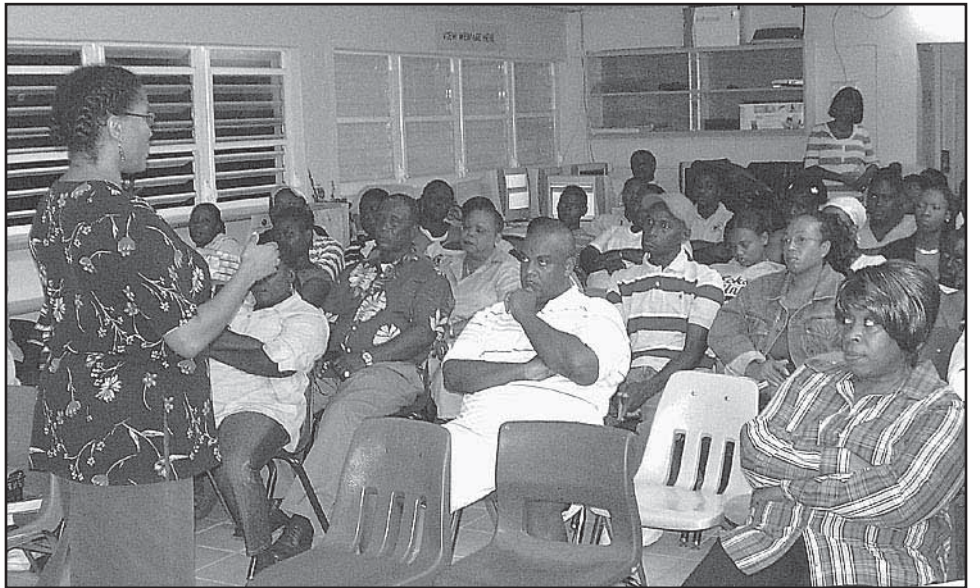
Holy Fire Dance Conference

As part of the 25th Silver Anniversary Celebration at Full Gospel Assembly, a dance conference was hosted. The confer-


ence was staged October 9th through the 12th. Various speakers spoke on topics such as the purpose and power of the dance, secular versus sacred and the body is a temple. The speakers were local and national. Also on the island to take part in the celebration was Miss Gospel Bahamas. On October 12th under the patronage of Rev. Stafford and Mother Lucy Symonette a grand concert was held that featured the troupe that had participated and dance groups from many churches on the island. The concert

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Parents of grade nine students at S.C. Bootle High School attended a meeting that gave them ideas on how to assist their children and how to help them develop good study habits. The parents were also informed on what was required for their children to take the BJC exams next spring.



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was memorable, inspiring and touching as many people committed their hearts to the Lord and received salvation as a result. The conference itself provided participants the opportunity to go behind the veil of worship through the dance and organizers have declared that the dance ministries on Abaco will never be the same.

Outreach Ministry

First Assembly of God has teamed with a number of evangelists to proclaim the Word of the Lord to the highways and byways. That team has begun hosting outreach services in the Marsh Harbour area at the church grounds. The first service was held about three weeks ago and Evangelist Lorenzo Coakley was the guest speaker. Since then another service was held and the team plans to host outreach services bi-

monthly. The next outreach service will be held on November 29th.

Evangelistic Services

Majestic Overcomers in Christ Ministry is also on the streets of Abaco conducting evangelism services of healing and deliverance. They are traveling near and far to proclaim the coming of the Lord is at hand. The Ministry is headed by Evangelist Rose Bethel of Grand Bahama. It is the desire of the Ministry to see lost souls come to Christ and people healed, delivered and set free by the power of God.

The Full Gospel Assembly family and the Unity Baptist Church family, both of Treasure Cay, invite you to join them on December 7th at 7 p.m. at the Don Corbett basketball court for an evening of prayer and praise. This service is held monthly as a joint effort to reach lost souls in the community.

Revival in Little Abaco

The churches in Little Abaco have united and formed a non-denominational union. They have put aside their denominational affiliations and have become one voice. They have begun revival services which will continue throughout the year. The revivals are held at various churches during a week that is set aside for that purpose. The organizers are hoping to bring all God's children together to worship, to carry the gospel of Christ and to win souls for the kingdom.

12th Annual General Convention

The leaders and members of End Time Harvest Ministries celebrated its 12th Annual General Convention under the theme *A Reason for Living*. People gathered together with Bishop Tyrone Mills and first lady Doreen Mills to celebrate another milestone in their ministry. The ministry has proved the faithfulness of God. In conjunction with the convention a special service was held on November 16th to close out the convention. Deaconess Gwendolyn Bain and Mother Anna Russell were recognized for their faithfulness and commitment to the church since its inception. The Convention was held on November 10th to 16th. The National Chief Apostle Leon

Wallace of Voice of Deliverance Ministries in Nassau was the guest speaker, and the congregation was blessed with solos and group selections by Amanda Sawyer and the youth choir of End Time Harvest, New Hope Ministries and others. This year's convention has already been declared a success.

Pastor is installed

Revival Time Pentecostal Ministries was founded by Bishop Henry Wright many years ago. Since that time he has guided the believers at that ministry. On November 2nd an historic event took place and the baton of leadership was passed on. People gathered to witness the installation of the now Senior Pastor, Cedric Bullard. The special service was held at the church in Cooper's Town. Many ministers from around the country were on hand to bring greetings and best wishes including the newly elected Christian Council President Pastor Edward Laroda. The installation service was officiated by Bishop Henry Wright and Rev. Burnell Pastor. Rev. Pastor has gained much experience throughout the years, having served in many capacities at the Church of God. Having heeded to

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Full Gospel Assembly of God of Treasure Cay organized its second annual Tea Party. Although planned to be held outdoors, rain caused the event to be held in the Treasure Cay Community Center. The Tea Party showcased the countries where tea is produced. The highlight of the event was a fashion show.

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the call of God to return to Abaco, he does the work of the one who sent him to bring hope to the youths of this island. Pastor Bullard answered the call of God and is now prepared to take his ministry to another level by the grace of God. He stands strong and tall along with his family to reap souls for the kingdom of God.

Holy fire and glory revival

Pastor Edmond Hall, Pastor Trevor Wilson and Min. Mandell Curry came to Abaco on November 6th for a three-night revival at the Hubert Ingraham Park in Cooper's Town. The men preached that holiness is still God's standard. For three nights people heard what God is saying to his people. Souls were saved, hearts were revived and challenged and a new course was forged. The testimonies of the men brought hope and inspiration to the people of God for they clearly portrayed that God is still on time. The organizers were appreciative to the persons who were a part of the conference.

Prophet Rolle revisits North Abaco

On his first trip here to preach the gospel Prophet Remington Rolle was 12 years old. On his most recent trip into Abaco he was 24 years and is still proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ. He and his Senior Pastor of Tennessee, Dr. Shauna Officer, held three nights of services in Little Abaco on November 2nd to 4th. They were hosted at the St. Thomas Baptist Church where the pastor is Pastor Ezekiel McIntosh and

at End Time Harvest where the pastor is Bishop Tyrone Mills. Prophet Rolle had just stopped by to display the goodness of God toward him over the last few years. He is still lifting up the name of Jesus and God is still using him mightily.

Service of Thanksgiving

Bishop Cedric Bullard and the members of Revival Time Pentecostal Church of God in Cooper's Town will host a service of thanksgiving for their overseer, Bishop Henry Wright, on November 30th at 3 p.m. The church will be honoring Bishop and Mother Wright for their dedication and commitment to that church over the years. Bishop Wright is a founding member of that church and has served as senior pastor from the church's inception. Recently he handed over the church leadership to the Senior Pastor, Bishop Cedric Bullard. The congregation is extending a warm welcome to the public to join them as they celebrate a man of loyalty, faithfulness and dedication.

Ordination Service

The Unity Baptist Family under the leadership of Senior Pastor Edward LaRoda will induct Pastor Elvene Sawyer into its ministry as a senior pastor on November 23rd. The service will be held at the church at 6 p.m. The induction is significant as it merges together the congregation of Exalted Word Ministry and the Unity Baptist family. The communities of North Abaco congratulate the Unity Baptist family on the installation of Pastor Sawyer. It is our prayer that God will continue to prosper your ministry.

People in the News Congratulations

Ms. Shavonne Stubbs and Mr. Roni Mathurin joined their hearts in holy matrimony on September 27th. The ceremony was held at St. Simon by the Sea Anglican Church in Treasure Cay followed by an outdoor reception at the Treasure Cay Primary School grounds. Mr. Mathurin is a chef at the resort in Treasure Cay and the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Myrtis Russell, and the bride is the daughter Mr. and Mrs. Edison Sawyer. The bride is a former resident of Great Harbor Cay. The couple will reside in Treasure Cay. Congratulations to the couple.

A time of renewal

Together they have found the way to each other hearts and for 25 years they've overcome the challenges, struggles and obstacles that life threw in their path. But they have enjoyed the good times and built a family, a friendship and a bond. Their love has overcome all. On October 18th Mr. and Mrs. Gary Hudson renewed their passion, their love and their vows. The garden ceremony was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ornell Cornish. The ceremony was officiated by Rev. Stafford Symonette. Dozens of family and friends filled the beautifully decorated area to celebrate with the couple their silver jubilee anniversary. The couple expressed their commitment to each other through words that came from the heart as they renewed their vows. The beautiful evening ended with a replay of their first time down the aisles.

Grouper

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their Nassau grouper stocks. Belize has a four-month closed season and has protected 11 aggregation sites within marine reserves. In 2003 the Cayman Islands closed its grouper aggregations for the following eight years. Nassau groupers are completely protected in U.S. waters.

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Freeport delegation met Abaco Councillors

A special meeting was called for Abaco's seven chief councillors to convene at the Marsh Harbour Education Office's conference room. The mid-day gathering on November 6 was to meet with Mr. Alexander Williams, Freeport's Administrator, and two persons from the Freeport District Council. Ms. April Crowther Gow, Councillor in the City of Freeport and President of the Caribbean Association of Local Government Authority, and Ms. Joanna Newton Russell, Vice President, Northern Region, Bahamas Association of Local Government Authority.

The purpose was to give Abaco's chief

councillors information on the three-day Commonwealth Local Government Conference to be held in Freeport in May 2009. Delegates from 24 Commonwealth countries will be offered one-day tours to Abaco or Bimini. Although these tours are to showcase the respective areas, they are to focus on local government's achievements in these communities.

Abaco's chief councillors are to design appropriate tours which feature local government at work in the communities. Our councils are responsible for these guests once they arrive on Abaco including bus rides, ferries and lunch. Eyebrows were

raised when it was announced that local details must be in Freeport by November 15 including the number of delegates that could be accommodated.

About 1:30 the Freeport delegation left and the Chief Councillors remained to further organize their association and to make plans for their role in hosting the Abaco tours for the Freeport Conference.

Three local government associations are AALGA, BALGA and CALGA, respectively being Administrator's Association of Local Government Authority, Bahamas Association of Local Government Authority and Caribbean Association of Local Government Authority. Mr. Steve Pedican, Chief Councillor of Treasure Cay, is the Vice President of CALGA.

The newly formed Abaco Association of Chief Councillors plans to meet quarterly. Deputy Chief Councillors are included in this group but without voting rights. For matters requiring a vote, it was decided that each district will have only one vote.



The seven chief councillors of Abaco met on November 6 to learn about the Local Government Conference for Commonwealth countries to be held in Freeport in May 2009. Some of the delegates will probably be visiting Abaco and the chief councillors will have to have specific plans for entertaining them. Shown above, seated, are Cubell Davis of the Central District Council, Ms. April Gow from Freeport, Administrator Alexander Williams from Freeport, Ms. Joanna Russell from Freeport. Standing are Dalson Stuart, Moore's Island Council; Preston Roberts, South Abaco Council; Jeremy Sweeting, Hope Town Council; Administrator for South Abaco, Benjamin Pinder; Administrator for Central Abaco, Cephas Cooper; Steve Pedican, North Abaco District; Administrator for North Abaco, Theophilus Cox; Gregory Curry, Green Turtle Cay Council and Edwin McKinney, Deputy Chief Councillor of Grand Cay.

AA and Al Anon Meetings

The AA (Alcoholics Anonymous) group of Marsh Harbour meets Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. at the Marsh Harbour Community Library.

The AlAnon group of Marsh Harbour meets the third Tuesday each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Marsh Harbour Community Library.

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Illegal Landing - Police found a suspicious 28-foot boat docked at Lightbourn's Marina in Sandy Point mid-afternoon on October 9. Two men on board from Miami claimed they were out fishing, ran out of fuel and stopped at the marina to refuel. A search of the boat found nothing illegal but the men were brought to Marsh Harbour for processing by Immigration.

Threats of Harm - Just after sunset on October 8, a group of young men on the Sandy Point basketball court rapidly disbursed when they saw police officers approaching. One of the men was apprehended but resisted violently when told he would be searched. He was arrested for a variety of offences against the officers.

Shopbreaking - Jones's Native Diner on Forest Drive in Dundas Town was broken into during the night of October 9. A variety of liquor was stolen.

Stealing from a Vessel - A 40 HP Yamaha outboard engine was stolen from a 15-foot boat moored at the landing on the Capt. Dean Highway near Crossing Rocks where the owner lived. Another Crossing Rocks resident had an 85 HP Yamaha outboard stolen from this same location. Both engines were stolen sometime between October 8 and 10.

Housebreaking - A resident of Hard Bargain, Moore's Island, reported that her house was broken into about 11:50 pm on October 11 when she found a dark male running out her kitchen door. In his haste to leave, he left his Raleigh M20 mountain bike at the scene. Nothing appeared to be missing.

Stealing - A guest at the Abaco Club at Winding Bay reported food, liquor and clothing had been stolen from his cottage sometime during his absence between March and October 10 of this year.

Stealing - A ten-foot boat tied to a plum tree was stolen from a residential yard in Murphy Town during the morning of October 9.

Immigrants detained - Acting on a tip on October 12, police were alerted to the possibility of illegal immigrants in the Sandy Point area. Officers were dispatched and found 13 persons believed to be Dominicans at the Airport Motel. On October 13 they were taken to Nassau by Immigration officers for processing.

Stealing from a Vehicle - A car parked at the owner's house on Forest Drive in Dundas Town was broken into during the night of October 12. Two amplifiers were stolen.

Housebreaking - A caretaker discovered that an expensive DVD player and home theater system were stolen from a home in the Leisure Lee subdivision sometime between October 8 and 13 in the owner's absence.

Arrest for illegal landing - A phone call led police to two men walking on the highway near Sandy Point shortly after sunset on October 13. They were unable to give an account for their presence or give a local address and were brought to Immigration officials in Marsh Harbour. It was determined that they were illegally here from the Dominican Republic.

Causing Harm - A Dundas Town resi-

dent received a deep cut to his hand when he attempted to protect a relative from being attacked by a man with a cutlass. This happened late at night on October 11 while at a wedding reception in Crossing Rocks.

Traffic Accident - A woman pedestrian was hit by a vehicle and suffered head and back injuries while walking along the road near the Cooper's Town clinic about 9 p.m. on October 13. The driver said he was blinded by oncoming headlights, and the woman may have been walking around a large mud puddle. She was treated locally, then flown to Nassau for further treatment.

Stolen Vessel - Sometime between October 10 and 14, a 34-foot boat with two 225 HP Yamaha outboard engines was stolen while secure on a boat lift at Treasure Cay. Cables were cut on the lift, letting the boat fall into the water. A friend made the discovery and notified the police in the owner's absence.

Shop Breaking - On going to work at 5 a.m. at Jamie's Place in Marsh Harbour, an employee found an intruder inside. He called the police. On the arrival of a single officer, the intruder was still inside. Additional police were called, but before they arrived, the man, who was known to the officer, kicked open a door and fled on foot with the officer in pursuit. During the chase, the intruder turned and pointed an object at the officer who then feared for his life. He drew his weapon and fired a shot, but the man managed to elude him and escape. The area was searched by ad-

ditional police on their arrival without success. Later that morning the man who was known to the first officer on the scene was found in Dundas Town and arrested.

Assault - While visiting a friend in Fire Road and sitting in the friend's car, a girl was hit in the face by her ex-boyfriend, who then threw a drink on her and attempted to hit her with a bottle. This happened several hours after sunset on October 14.

Assault - Shortly after sunset on October 15, police were informed of a woman on the Norman's Castle farm settlement being threatened by a man with a gun. On responding the woman was found and had been beaten with a cutlass by an ex-boyfriend. On screaming, he produced a handgun and struck her on the head. Hearing her scream, her current boyfriend came, and the assailant fled through a window. A BB gun pistol was later recovered.

Causing Damage - A woman armed with a piece of iron smashed all the windows on two cars parked at a residence in Murphy Town about 3 p.m. on October 15. The assailant was identified and later arrested.

Stealing - Three large air conditioning condensers outside a winter residence in Bahama Palm Shores were discovered on October 16 to have been stolen sometime during the previous three weeks. The three units were valued at approximately \$10,000.

Causing Harm - While at his car wash business in Marsh Harbour, a Dundas

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Police Crime Report

Crime *From Page 14*

Town man had two fingers cut during an altercation mid-afternoon on October 17.

Housebreaking - A Treasure Cay apartment was burglarized during the night of October 16 with cash being taken from two visitors.

Causing Grievous Harm - Sometime after midnight on October 18 a Dundas Town man was stabbed several times by a group of young men while at a bar on Don MacKay Boulevard in Marsh Harbour. A resident of the Mud in Marsh Harbour was later arrested.

Causing Grievous Harm - A Dundas Town man was assaulted by a group of men from Spring City and Dundas Town after midnight on October 18 while on the town's Front Street. He was hit on the head with a rock, gun butted and had three shots fired at him. A Dundas Town man was later arrested.

Drug Arrest - Police arrested three men in Fire Road just before dawn on October 19 when suspected cocaine was discovered in their car. Two of the men were from Cooper's Town and the third man was from Nassau.

Drug Arrest - While executing a search warrant to a residence in Murphy Town, a bag of suspected marijuana was found hidden in a paint can. The two occupants of the house were arrested.

Stealing from a Vehicle - During the middle of the night on October 19 a car in Murphy Town was broken into with speakers and an amplifier being stolen. The items were valued at approximately \$1500.

Causing Harm - A Treasure Cay resident was assaulted about 10 p.m. while on

the highway near the Touch of Class Restaurant during the night of October 16. His knee was damaged and his cell phone was damaged. The assailant was identified.

Stealing - An I-Pod music player was stolen from a Treasure Cay resident while at the basketball court shortly after dusk on October 16.

Causing Damage - A Marsh Harbour resident had his windshield smashed while at the 24/7 gas station in Marsh Harbour. This occurred about 9:30 on the night of October 16 by a group of three men. One of the men said he would shoot him if he had his gun. One of the assailants was identified.

Assault - A woman was slapped in the face while at the a bar on Don MacKay Boulevard in Marsh Harbour after midnight on October 17. Her assailant was identified.

Housebreaking - A second homeowner's house in Treasure Cay was broken into sometime between October 16 and 20. The house had been searched but nothing appeared to have been taken.

Housebreaking - A lawn mower, weed whacker and bag of coins were stolen from an apartment in the Great Cistern area of Murphy Town. The mower and weed whacker items were later recovered in the nearby bushes. This happened during a daytime burglary on October 20. A burglar was later arrested.

Shop breaking - The Exquisite Boutique in Marsh Harbour was broken into during the night of October 20. Taken were a small amount of cash, a small refrigerator, a microwave oven and a coffee pot.

Shop breaking - Imports Unlimited in Hope Town was broken into during the night of October 20.

Shop breaking - Two packages of LuLu bras were stolen from the Three-in-One Clothing Store in Marsh Harbour on the night of October 19 during a break-in.

Stolen Vessel - A 26-foot boat with two Yamaha outboard engines was stolen from a second-home residence on Marsh Harbour's Eastern shore during the night of October 20. It was found and recovered the next day at the Arawak Agency dock in Marsh Harbour.

Shop breaking - Anne's Takeaway Restaurant in the Treasure Cay area was broken into during the night of October 20. Stolen was a 5,000 watt portable Coleman generator.

Stealing - It was discovered on October 21 that a summer student had taken two blank checks from the Administrator's Office in Sandy Point, forged a signature and obtained \$125.

Disorderly Behavior - A report was filed by a Murphy Town man that he was annoyed by two persons who used obscene language and behaved in a disorderly manner while at the Winding Bay Resort about sundown on October 20..

Vagrancy - A vagrant was arrested at the Surf Side Club for causing a disturbance just before mid-night on October 21. He was unable to provide a fixed address.

Shop Breaking - Rental Wheels in Marsh Harbour was broken into during the night of October 2. A stereo system and speaker were stolen.

Stealing - A cell phone was stolen from a residence in the Mud about 3 p.m. on October 22. A suspect was named.

Shop Breaking - The Other Shore Marina in Green Turtle Cay was broken into during

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Police Crime Report

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the night of October 22. Cash was taken.

Stealing - A laptop computer was stolen from an unlocked residence in Hope Town during the night of October 20.

Assault with a Deadly Weapon - Police at the ferry dock in Crown Haven noticed a man with a backpack acting nervously. On being approached by a police officer, he attempted to run over the officer by the car he was in. Several shots were fired at the departing car but the suspect managed to escape. The empty car was found nearby a short time later and impounded by police. The man is known by the police.

Shop Breaking - Tropical Shipping office on the government freight dock was broken into during the night of October 23. Stolen were a microwave, a small refrigerator, two digital cameras, a radio and cleaning supplies.

Housebreaking - An apartment in Treasure Cay was broken into during the night of October 23 although nothing appeared to have been taken.

Housebreaking - A second homeowner's house in Treasure Cay was broken into during the night of October 23. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

Dangerous Drugs - Three men were arrested October 24 about 5 p.m. outside Marsh Harbour when a small quantity of

marijuana was found in their car.

Threats of Harm - While at her house in the Mud, a woman was threatened to be stabbed and killed by a young woman which put her in fear of her life. This happened late in the afternoon of October 24.

Stealing - The cash register containing cash was stolen from the Dis-We-Style Take-away sometime before 8 pm on October 24. This is located on Crockett Drive in Marsh Harbour.

Causing Harm - A woman and her daughter were injured when her son damaged her bedroom door and attacked them in their Treasure Cay home. This happened about 2 a.m. on October 25.

Housebreaking - A second homeowner had his Treasure Cay house broken into sometime between October 22 and 25.

House Breaking, Burglary - A second homeowner's house in Green Turtle Cay was burglarized and had an extensive assortment of fishing rods, reels and household goods stolen over the weekend of October 25. Also taken were a 250 HP Yamaha power head and lower unit from a boat docked behind the house.

Damages - A 29-foot boat docked in Treasure Cay had the cabin door damaged when it was forced open. This happened in the homeowner's absence sometime between September 23 and October 26.

Uncontrollable Child - About noon on

October 25, a Central Abaco woman brought her 13-year-old son to the police station for his continual thieving and being uncontrollable which he was subsequently charged for.

Malicious Damage - While visiting a friend in Dundas Town at noon on October 1, a man's ex-girlfriend came with a cutlass and chopped his car. Damages were caused to the hood, trunk, front and back windows. She was later arrested and charged.

Incest - A sixth grade student in Marsh Harbour reported that her older brother had sex with her during the past year. A medical exam supported the possibility. The brother denied the accusation.

Housebreaking - A house on Marsh Harbour's Eastern Shore was broken into during the evening of October 29 during a short absence by the owner. A door window was smashed and jewelry and a watch were stolen.

Sudden Death - Irvin Davis was found dead at his Moore's Island home on the morning of October 29. He had been bedridden for several years with severe bronchitis.

Causing Harm - A Murphy Town woman's dreadlocks were pulled out causing damage to her eye glasses during a fight in Marsh Harbour. This happened mid-morning on October 29 at a Marsh Harbour pharmacy when she was approached by another woman who accused her of molesting her 6-year-old daughter resulting in the fight. The assailant admitted to the offence and was charged.

GIS *From Page 2*

spokesmen for a group of 13 students who took in the project. They explained why a center was needed: because there were no place for students' activities after school except schools and churches. They thought of using the center to promote inter-island competitions, to promote eco-tourism, to provide a place for special events at a reasonable price, to promote cultural events and to serve as a hurricane shelter.

They picked a proposed church site that had been refused a permit because the location offered the necessary infrastructure and was not prone to flooding. They collected surrounding data such as the location of their school, gas stations, docks, dump sites, bus routes and immediate residential areas such as Central Pines. They outlined the floor plan of the Central Abaco Recreational Center and concluded that they agreed with the government that the proposed site should be saved for their center.

The results of the competition were announced the following day with Abaco Central winning first place. In second place was Moore's Island and S.C. Bootle came in third. Each school was rewarded with a certificate of participation, a trophy, a GPS, a book Mapping our World, a GIS software and an instructor kit.

The hardware and software were installed in each school by Ms. Antonique Sweeting, GIS analyst for the Bahamian National Geographic Information System, who trained the students at the beginning of the school year.

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ECC students ride horseback at Winding Bay

By Mirella Santillo

The horseback riding program at the Abaco Club at Winding Bay for students from Every Child Counts School is now in its third year and, according to the school Director Mrs. Lyn Major, it has contributed to noticeable improvement in the students' ability to focus. Autistic and children with cerebral palsy are enrolled in the program and each Thursday a teacher drives two or three of them to the resort. This year the program includes not only riding but has been extended to horse grooming and light stable cleaning such as sweeping the stalls.

October 30th was the day for stable duty. As soon as the twins, James and Vincent Major, and Erik Sawyer arrived, the stable manager, Ms. Dona Albury, handed them brushes, combs and shoe picks so they could apply themselves to the task ahead. Erik was the most enthusiastic about handling the horses and he applied

himself diligently. James helped, too, but Vincent spent the time next to his favorite horse, Slim, that he was hoping to ride the following week.

On November 6th two more students accompanied them, Myron Sawyer and Brent Lowe. Brent is affected with cerebral palsy and the trip to the outdoors and the proximity of the horses helped relax him. All the boys were really excited as they looked forward to the stroll to the beach on their favorite animal.

It was a perfect day for riding, sunny but not too hot, and the children had great fun. The boys were eager to pause while on their horse or next to their favorite one while pictures were taken. Teacher, Mr. Brian Jackson, accompanied them on both occasions.

All enjoyed interacting with the big animals, completely at ease and not in the least frightened or worried that the horses could hurt them.

People in the News

Wedding Announcement

Lisa Sarubbi, daughter of Raymond and Delores Sarubbi of Atlanta, Georgia, and Scott Robinson, son of Robert and Patricia Robinson of Annapolis, Maryland, announce their upcoming nuptials. Mr. Vernon Malone will perform the ceremony at sunset on the beach at Hope Town Harbor Lodge in Hope Town on December 6th in the presence of family and friends. The bride, who will be wearing a wedding dress designed by Suzanne Ermann of Paris, will be given away in marriage by her brother, Scott Sarubbi.

The bride is a computer systems analyst for the United States Department of Justice, Antitrust Division. The groom owns First Reserve Retirement Services, an investment management company based in Annapolis.

After the Bahamas wedding and a brief honeymoon in Eleuthera, an even longer honeymoon is planned next year somewhere on the other side of the earth. The couple will reside on their yacht in Annapolis.



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Senior Citizens were honoured in a variety of ways

By Samantha V. Evans

Older Persons Month began with a church service and luncheon on October 2nd at New Vision Ministries in Marsh Harbour. This event was organized by Social Services and co-sponsored by the Rotary Club of Abaco. Numerous pastors were recruited to pay homage to these pillars of society as well as students and civic leaders on the island. The keynote address was delivered by the host, Pastor Derrick Benjamin, who used humor along with his message to uplift the spirits of the older persons on the island.

His sermon used the analogy of the various soap operas on television to show them how the "World Turns" as they live "Bold and Beautiful" and even though the "Days of Our Lives" can be wonderful, fulfilling and pleasant, some people still choose to

be "Young and Restless" until such time as they come to the end of their rope and end up in "General Hospital." He hoped that the persons there had lived bold, courageous lives that they can be proud to share with family, friends and the world.

He chose as the focus of his sermon to speak about wisdom, especially how many persons believe that wisdom comes with age. He gave the older persons three things to think about as they grow in wisdom.

Firstly, he told them that everyday they should appreciate the mercy and grace of God and the freshness it brings. Secondly, increasing years should increase their wisdom. Finally, communicate this wisdom.

After the service the older persons were treated to a luncheon in the church hall. An upbeat, fun time was prepared for them as they were served by Rotarians. Fruit baskets

were distributed by Social Services. Approximately 70 seniors were present for this event.

Also bringing remarks on the program were Senior Administrator Cephas Cooper and Education Superintendent Mrs. Lenora Black. The moderator for this event was Pastor Silbert Mills

Other communities hosted their elderly

By Mirella Santillo

October was Senior Citizens Month and once again the staff of the Department of Social Services honored the older people of the island and made them feel important. They were supported in their efforts by local businesses, residents, resorts, churches and the Rotary Club of Abaco.

The first of October was Day of Beauty for seniors in Central Abaco. Several

beauty salons opened their doors to older people for free beauty care.

A luncheon took place in Fire Road on October 22nd with a church service held at New St. Andrew's Church. There was a good turn out of about 50 people and food was taken to those who could not attend. The following day another luncheon was served at Friendship Tabernacle in Dundas Town. The food which had been donated by the Treasure Cay Hotel Resort and Marina was cooked by the church ladies. There was a birthday cake in honor of Mother Merle, who celebrated her 79 birthday that same day. After lunch people were treated to two movies.

Throughout the month fruit baskets were distributed on Green Turtle Cay on October 13th, on Man-O-War on the 16th

Please see **Senior Citizens** Page 19



The senior citizens of all communities on Abaco were honoured with a variety of activities. These senior citizens of Sandy Point attended a church service that recognized their contributions to our island. These elderly also enjoyed a trip to Castaway Cay as guests of Disney Cruise Line.



These are some of the senior citizens of the Cooper's Town area who were honoured at a church service held at the New St. Andrew's Baptist Church in Fire Road. Fruit baskets were distributed in many settlements.



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- To keep your Christmas tree fresh and moist, keep it in a stand that holds water. Add water to the base as needed. A fire in a dry Christmas tree can set an entire room ablaze in less than a minute.
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and in Hope Town on the 17th. The month ended with food distribution on Great Guana Cay, Moore's Island and Grand Cay.

According to Mrs. Salomie Gibson, who

heads Abaco's Social Services Department, it was a very successful and rewarding month, and she extends her gratitude to all who helped in making it special.



The month of October was a busy one for the staff of Social Services as they organized many activities to honour the senior citizens in every community on Abaco. These elderly of Dundas Town and Murphy Town met at Friendship Tabernacle to receive fruit baskets.

Answer to puzzle on page 22

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People in the News

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Justine Anne Sands

Engagement is announced

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Justine Anne Sands and Alexander Stamer are planning a June wedding

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Neem Farm Experiences a Bumper Harvest

By Jennifer Hudson

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Fortunately, Hurricane Hanna, being a minimal hurricane, did not do much damage to the farm. They only lost about 40 to 50 trees out of a total of more than 6,500, which was an excellent survival rate. On the first day of picking after the hurricane, 255 pounds of seeds were picked which,

according to Nick, was his best day yet.

Nick has eleven workers involved in picking and cleaning. "The fruit and oil produced by Abaco Neem is certified organic and the quality of our oil separates it from that produced in the rest of the world. We have been recognized by scientists in China and doctors in America as having the best neem oil in the world. Abaco Neem contributes to the health care of Abaco and The Bahamas and we encourage people to take care of their body and save on medical bills," stated Mr. Maioulis who is passionate about what he is doing. Neem products are now exported from Abaco to The United States via mail order.

Mr. Maioulis reminds people that Neem trees repel insects and encourages people to plant these extremely beneficial trees which can be purchased from the Abaco Neem shop by the airport roundabout.

Pilot Club held Fun-Run Walk



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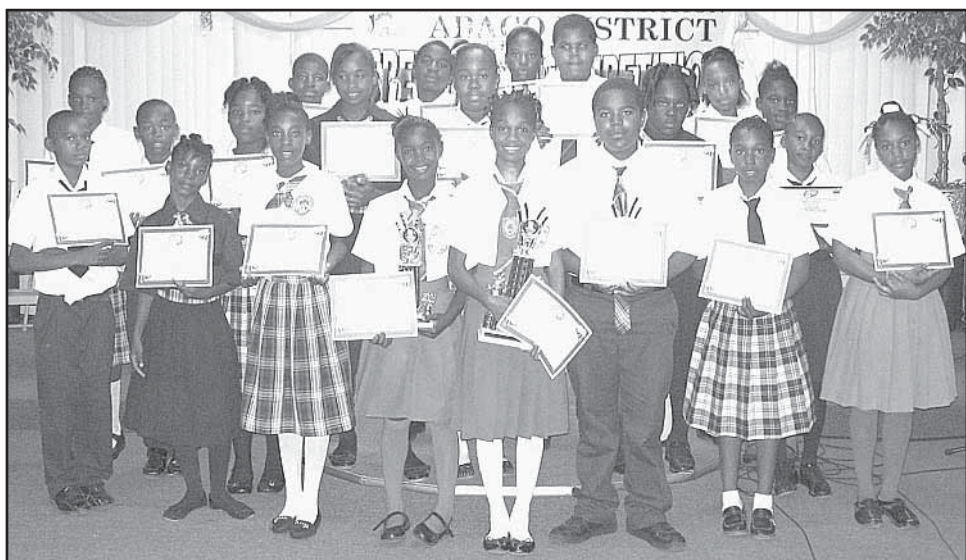
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S.C. Bootle won Grade 7 Spelling Bee



The last Spelling Bee for junior school students was held on November 12th at the Learning Resource Center. Eighteen students from six schools participated. The students had a very difficult list of words that surely put their spelling abilities to the test. However, after seven rounds of the seen list and 12 rounds of the unseen list, a winner was declared. Taking home the winning trophy was Alicia Adams of S.C. Bootle High School. In second place was Denatash Lightbourne of Agape Christian School. In third place was Lauryn Pritchard from S.C. Bootle High School. The judges for this event were Kenneth Romor, Kim Rahming and Samantha Evans.

Handicraft Association elects new officers

By Mirella Santillo

The Abaco Bahamian Handicraft Association, now in its second year, elected new officers for the year 2008-09 on November 11th. Ms. Edna Kemp was elected President. She will be assisted by Vice President Nadine Rolle. The functions of Treasurer will be assumed by Ms. Verona Rahming. Ms. Lavern Maynard and Stephanie Hield were chosen as Public Relations persons. The chaplain duties will be performed by Ms. Cleopatra Burrows. Mrs. Susan Sawyer will act as Secretary.

Before the elections, four representatives from Abaco took part in the Arawak Bahamian Handicraft Association's Festival which was held in Nassau from October 30th to November 2nd. Mrs. Lovely Reckley, Mrs. Susan Sawyer, Ms. Victoria Forbes and Ms. Lavern Maynard shared a stall displaying shell jewelry, dolls, embroidery work, shell ornaments and straw bags as well as sea glass and sterling silver jewelry.

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The Marsh Harbour meeting will include
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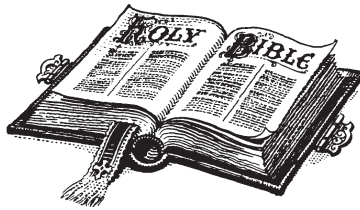
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The answer is on page 19.

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Currently, the maximum amount that the BMC will lend for uninsured projects is \$127,500 for home ownership (new con-

struction), \$127,500 for home purchases, \$65,000 for structural enlargements and \$127,500 for homeowner duplexes.

"We also hope that a higher percentage of these loans will be made to persons outside of government subdivisions," Mr. Ingraham said. "We will re-examine the current criteria for government insured loans and reduce the fee payable in respect of same."

Amendments to government's housing policies will reduce some of the bureau-

cracy that now slows the BMC's ability to respond speedily to the public's needs.

The BMC was established in 1983 to provide mortgage financing to Bahamians. It was created to assist Bahamians build new homes, buy a new or existing single or multi-family home, to buy vacant land or extend or enlarge an existing home.

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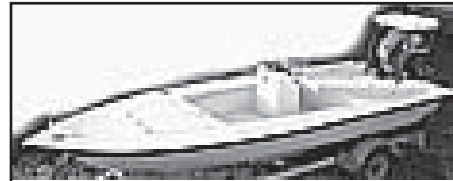
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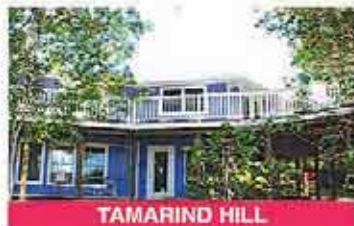
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