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## 15 Awarded Scholarships to Study in Taiwan - Two Students to Study Medicine



Taiwan's Resident Ambassador to St. Kitts and Nevis His Excellency Miguel Tsao addressing the Award Ceremony.

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, JULY 10TH 2014 (CUOPM) – Two nationals of St. Kitts and Nevis made history on Wednesday by becoming the first recipients of scholarships to study medicine in Taiwan through the joint partnership between the Governments of St. Kitts and Nevis and the Republic of China (Taiwan).

The request from scholarships in the new area of medicine was made by the Federation's Prime Minister the Right Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas during his most recent visit to the Asian nation two years ago when he met with top administrators of the university as well as high Taiwan officials including the President and Minister of Foreign Affairs.

At Wednesday's ceremony attended by St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas and Taiwan's Resident Ambassador, His Excellency Miguel Tsao, the Ms. Monique Lescott of St. Kitts and Ms. Hadassah Willett of were presented with their certificates and travelling documents.

Thirteen other St. Kitts and Nevis students will study Mandarin, agriculture, fisheries, environment, technology, engineering, business administration and tourism.

Congratulating the awardees, Ambassador Tsao noted the 15 students will study in Taiwan for four to five years and hoped that upon completion they will return to the federation to participate in the development of St.

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St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Right Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas (right) presents certificate to Ms. Monique Lescott of St. Kitts to study medicine.



St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas (right) presents certificate to Ms. Hadassah Willett of Nevis to study medicine. (Willett's Photo)

**PM Douglas confirms investigation into how a large sum of money from Iraq refused by a bank in St. Kitts and returned, ended up in a personal bank account in Nevis**



Photo: Part of the large turnout at the Town Hall Meeting on Wednesday night - FULL STORY N PAGE 22

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## Editorial

### 19 Years of SOLID Achievement

As we mentioned last week Thursday 3 July was the nineteenth anniversary of Labour's victory at the polls and return to office in 1995. As we did so our otherwise beautiful twin-island nation was under some very dark clouds, both at home and internationally.

Our attempts to bring about a change of government in November of 1993 had been undermined by a "traitor on board" Labour's ship, but, at that time, we were unaware of that individual's dark and evil heart. That person's treachery was one of the major factors which caused the CCM to go into neutral. It also caused a political hiatus that led to the imposition of a most unpopular, minority regime. Our people rose up in a spontaneous protest which made it clear to all and sundry that we were not standing for it. The resulting instability set us back, as a country, very badly.

Even before that we had run afoul of the international community in so many different ways that our country was not far from becoming a pariah. Our nation's senior and most prominent ambassador, then the only beneficiary of our Citizenship By Investment Programme (CBI), had been barred from entering the USA. His (business) activities had attracted the attention of Scotland Yard and other such agencies, and the Daily Telegraph of London, England and other news agencies had described St Kitts as "Devils' Island". We were not looking good at all.

Our people persevered, and we eventually achieved the victory. But the challenges which faced us, both natural and man-made, were to be many and daunting. Hardly had we taken office when our country was hit by two powerful hurricanes, Louis and Marilyn, in quick succession. The damage done to the sugar industry was quite significant. The railway lines had not been properly maintained for more than 12 years, and the damage suffered could have meant that there would not have been a crop for 1996.

For a new government to face such a catastrophe so early in its first term of office would have meant an early end to most. But Labour is made of sterner stuff. Our then new Prime Minister maintained a cool, clear and collected approach to the problems, daunting as they were, and led us to achieving solutions that attracted the admiration of many.

The reconstruction work on the railway was done by our own, home grown talent. They made a most significant contribution to saving our economy some of the persons worthy of note are Mr. Lionel Trottman, Mr. Vincent Joseph and Mr. Natta Payne. They were many others, including volunteer helpers, who contributed and made it possible for us to harvest the 1996 sugar crop. Without that our economy would have failed miserably.

Her Majesty's Government at Westminster were so impressed by our self-help initiative and accomplishment in that regard that, upon motion by High Commissioner, Her Excellency Miss Mary Maxwell, they presented us with a cheque for over EC\$24 million dollars, the cost of the repairs to the railway, to be put back into the SSMC, so that we could have had a good start to that year's harvest and manufacturing. It also reinforced our Labour Government's strong view that when we show that we can help ourselves it attracts the support of our well-meaning friends.

We have taken the trouble to recap this information in order to illustrate Labour's approach to government and the reasons for our many successes.

Prime Minister Douglas' calm, collected and cool-headed approach to handling such enormous problems has become his hallmark. His ability to win the support and full cooperation of his cabinet colleagues is well

## No Business ever with Bitcoins, says Citizenship by Investment Programme

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, JULY 9TH 2014 (CUOPM) – The St. Kitts and Nevis Citizenship By Investment Programme (CIP) says it does not recognise Bitcoins as a legal investment currency for financial transactions.

"The Citizenship by Investment Unit would like to assure the general public that we do not recognize Bitcoins as legal investment currency for financial transactions within our Citizenship by Investment Programme. We further emphasize that we do not accept Bitcoins, have never accepted Bitcoins, and will not accept Bitcoins," the statement said.

It adds that they only process and accept applications from "Licensed Authorised Persons (Service Providers)," and "transactions are conducted



Service providers attending the meeting with St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Right Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas

through internationally recognized banking institutions."

"These institutions adhere to international financial regulations and only handle traditionally acceptable currencies such as the United Kingdom Pound Sterling, the European Union Euro, the United States US Dollar and the Eastern Caribbean EC Dollar."

The Citizenship by Investment Unit says they are conducting an investigation on the advertisements online, warning that "Any company found to be engaged in this practice in association with our programme will have its license revoked and struck from the register of Authorised Persons (Service Providers)."

known, both near and far. Their combined leadership and use of home-grown talent and approaches is now recognised as being Labour's standard operating procedure (or modus operandi), and one of the solid foundations on which our programmes are built.

Our achievements over the past nineteen years are numerous, and any detailing of them would fill volumes. We are of the view that, at this particular time, a reminder of some of those accomplishments would be quite in order.

As we have already indicated above, when Labour took up office, the country was unstable. Labour worked patiently and diligently, and within quick time our people began to feel safe and at ease once again. Those opposite have consistently tried to incite violence and disorder, but we have managed to maintain a very high degree of stability.

Before 1995 the airwaves were strictly controlled, and we should always remember that whenever the then head of government made a broadcast over ZIZ Radio and TV the other channels were blocked out. Today there are numerous radio stations on St Kitts and on Nevis, and people are free to listen or not to listen when the Prime Minister makes a broadcast.

There are several newspapers, published without restraint, and talk shows abound. People are encouraged to make their views public, even though certain elements seek to hog the media and propagate only their diatribe. But they are free to do so, even though the abuse is rampant, and malignation of the Prime Minister and his government goes on virtually twenty four hours each and every day.

In the area of education our level of success is phenomenal. Our students at all levels, pre-school, primary, secondary and tertiary are out-performing those in the sub-region. The annual results from the CXC examinations speak volumes to that assertion. On a per-capita basis our country leads the sub-region in the number of students being sent off to university each and every year.

We now regularly have university students in Cuba, Jamaica, Barbados, Trinidad, Venezuela, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, The USA, Canada, The UK, Spain, Austria, South Korea, Japan, Taiwan and Australia. Their performances attract highest commendations and they truly do our nation proud. Thus are we paving the way and laying the foundations for the new professional class of our country and their ongoing contributions to our economy and development.

Our people are now being exposed to education and training in numerous fields: education, hospitality, business, accounting, management, engineering, information management and technology, international relations, medicine and many, many other areas. The recent addition of degree level programmes made at the FCB College bears further testimony to our determination to make more and more opportunities available to our people.

Our progress in health care is also outstanding. New facilities are constantly being added and new services made available at our hospitals. As we constantly strive to limit the need for our people to have to travel overseas for medical attention we also attract many to our shores to understudy our medical practitioners and other health professionals.

In agriculture, fisheries and housing we have also made quite significant advances over the nineteen years of Labour's administration. More and more lands are being made available to our farmers, and the agriculture department has greatly improved its support of their efforts. We have given increased support to our fishers, and, with the help of our international friends, especially Japan, we have built new and improved plants to help them with the processing, storage and distribution of their catches.

The transformation of the CHA into the NHC has provided great impetus for the increase of housing units being made available to our people. The setbacks occasioned by the great storms which hit us so devastatingly in 1995, 1996 and 1998 have been overcome for the most part, and our new housing stock has increased by more than 40 per cent on each of our two islands.

Despite the setbacks occasioned in 2008-9 by the global recession, tourism has bounced back very nicely and we have now surpassed previous levels in both day-trippers and stay-over visitors. The construction of the Marriott Hotel and other new units have given our tourism programme an enormous boost. Developments on the south-east peninsula are very impressive and are set to grow exponentially.

Without a doubt the most significant accomplishment of Labour over the past nineteen years has been the methodical transformation of our economy. The closing of the sugar industry in 2005

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# St. Kitts cops First-runner-up position in the 2014 Miss Carival Pageant

By Drizel Hanley

The reigning St. Kitts and Nevis Carnival Queen, Kaeve Armstrong, made the

Federation proud on Saturday last, July 5th, after finishing First Runner-up at the Miss Carival Pageant held at Victoria Park in St. Vincent and Grenadines.

The ten (10) beauties competed in five categories:



Kaeve Armstrong

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Miss Jamaica — Danielle Black;

Miss Martinique — Alexandra

Chastel; Miss Venezuela — Genesis Valera Seijas and Miss SVG Shadeisha George.

Miss Carival 2013 was won by Dominican Leslassa Armour Shillingford.

## Kittitian Hill Celebrates Significant Milestone in its Journey with Opening Ceremony and Community Celebration

11th July, 2014 — Kittitian Hill, St. Kitts' new luxury hospitality and real estate destination, celebrated an important milestone yesterday in advance of its grand opening in December. The July 10th ceremony at Irie Fields Golf Course followed by an unveiling and ribbon cutting



ceremony at the Great House at Belle Mont Farm marked the commencement of The Kitchen restaurant & The Mill bar, as well as, the employee-training program including a designated Culinary Academy. Attendees included the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Dr. Denzil Douglas, Minister of Tourism and International Transport, the Honourable Ricky Skerritt, other dignitaries and over 250 invited guests.

To mark the momentous occasion, Kittitian Hill's founder and visionary Val Kempadoo unveiled the keystone at the Great House, and Prime Minister Douglas along with a student from the St. Paul's Primary School and an elder of St. Paul's Village cut the ribbon at the entrance of the Great House. A central structure of the Kittitian Hill development, the Great House boasts breathtaking views and architecture reminiscent of a traditional sugar mill, constructed from stones carefully repurposed from the property's land. The ceremony launched The Kitchen restaurant & The Mill bar, which are located within the Great House, and will now preview farm-to-table fare Fridays through Sundays. Event attendees toured Irie Fields Golf Course and had a sneak peak of a Guesthouse at Belle Mont Farm.

"The philosophy of Kittitian Hill is ingrained in the rich culture and history of this island, so the people of St. Kitts are an integral part of our story," said founder Val Kempadoo. "We feel that it is important to celebrate this significant milestone with the community, as we are all part of this journey that will have a positive impact for generations to come."

The festivities continue today Friday, July 11 with a Community Celebration to show appreciation to the local craftsmen, staff and the Kittitian community for their ongoing hard work, dedication and commitment to the project. Prime Minister Douglas will be in attendance to interact with the employees and recognize their contributions.

Belle Mont Farm, the first chapter in the development of Kittitian Hill will open on December 12, 2014 featuring 84 Guesthouses and seven, four-bedroom Farmhouses. Reservations will be taken as of September 1 with rates starting at \$800 per night. For more information contact [info@kittitian.com](mailto:info@kittitian.com) and visit, [www.bellemontfarm.com](http://www.bellemontfarm.com).

# TRADE UNION NEWS

By: Batumba Tak - General Secretary

## We Are Professionals -

### What Can A Union Do For Us?

In the words of Kris Rondeau, US worker-turned-organizer, **"Organizing isn't about the boss, it's about workers. It's about their need for some power or influence over their jobs and their lives. So it doesn't matter if the boss is kind or moderate, benevolent, or vicious...It doesn't matter what they say or do, this isn't about them, it's about us."**

Mr. Douglas A. Fraser could not have said it any clearer and plainer than when he said, "In every single democracy in the world you will find a vibrant, vital Labour Movement. The reason is that in a democratic society, where you have a system of checks and balance, a Labour Movement is absolutely indispensable...There will always be Unions as long as there are bosses."

The Caribbean labour laws reveal that there are substantial bodies of legislation on the statute books of member states, moreover, it is believed and accepted that these labour laws are adequate for the conduct of labour relations if they are used positively in a timely manner.

Furthermore, the legislations in the Caribbean deal with (among other matters) protection of trade Unions, employment protection, fundamental rights, labour institutions, and various methods and machinery for dispute resolution and a concentration on the management of conflict.

Moreover, the consensus-based mechanisms beyond the conciliation and mediation process are still to be widely promoted and institutionalized or incorporated into law. Because the systems accommodate and provide the avenues for effective dialogues, which can lead to national consensus.

However, under the current system, sad to say, there are still compelling challenges, which require the governments and other actors in the labour relations systems to:-

1. Proactively and strategically utilize the national labour policies, institutions, mechanisms, means and procedures available in a timely manner;

2. Consolidate, revise, rationalize and incorporate the fundamental principles and rights enshrined in international labour standards into a comprehensive national labour code to facilitate the effective conduct of labour relations;

3. Empower and strengthen the capability of the labour ministry and the Department of Labour, the trade Union and employer organization to enable the personnel of these institutions to maximize the use of the consensus-based methods of good faith negotiations, and effective conciliation/mediation with its inherent problem-solving approaches; and,

4. Equip labour administration to foster an active advisory outreach service, aimed at a reduction of conflict through preventive strategies, and development of partnership at the enterprise, industry, and national levels. In particular, the Ministries and Departments of Labour be:

5. Provided with the requisite high-level specialist skills to enable research and their participation in national planning, enterprise development, investment initiatives, and a competitive economy within the context of fundamental principles and rights at work, which are essential for Decent Work.

Nevertheless, the question that has been asked by quite a large section of professionals and high skilled workers is, We are professionals, what can a Union do for us?

Many careful researches have shown beyond a shadow of a doubt that when professionals and high skilled workers join with their colleagues in a Union at their workplace they benefit in many ways.

Furthermore, at the workplace, the Union brings together the collective strength of professionals, high skills and their co-workers to ensure meaningful negotiations with management for an equitable contract.

However, besides wages and salaries, other areas that can be negotiated include: Staffing and overtime, safety and health, cost of living raises, adequate pensions, more vacation time, equitable promotion systems and transfer policies, and a workable grievance system.

In addition, through the Union, they and their co-workers oversee carrying out the provisions of the collective agreement, and if, or necessary the Union can and may take violation of the collective agreement, and any wrongs to workers to third-party impartial arbitration.

Furthermore, outside of the workplace, the Union works for you as well, because the status of your profession and the well-being of the individual practitioner are not only affected by employing institutions but by governments as well.



However, Union organizations have been extremely effective in advocating the cause of their members at the Department of Labour, the Minister of Labour, even right up to the halls of governments.

It is common knowledge that every day Unions fight hard for their members at their workplace, Department of Labour, Minister of Labour, the Courts and in their communities.

Moreover, in an era of large health maintenance organizations and insurance companies, the advocacy of the Union has become more important than ever, especially for health care professionals and staff and other professionals and high skilled workers.

However, it has been a long held belief that Unions are for blue collar and other lower paid workers, so why would professionals and high skilled workers want or need a Union?

It is very troubling that many professionals and some portion of high skilled workers still believe that there is a basic antagonism between Unionism and their profession, moreover, they have created a blur picture of Unions as adversarial, striking, picket fights or imposing work rules that will limit employees as well as management.

However, professionals and high skilled workers are employees who have the same problems as other workers. In addition, every registered Nurse or high tech employees, for example needs a chance to do their job well: same hours, a manageable workload, a decent salary, a guarantee of fair benefits, protection from unjust treatment, respect, and recognition of skills, education, and expertise.

Furthermore, the reality is professional and high skilled workers are increasingly losing control of their work lives. Most of the time these happen at non-Union workplace where management alone makes all the decisions for the professionals and high skilled workers.

Very careful research has clearly shown that when management alone is left to make all the decisions it always generate conflict between the workers concerned about the delivery of their professional and high skilled services. Especially when the Human Resource Manager is more concerned with the company's bottom line.

Further careful research has

also shown that there is sufficient showing that more of these professionals and high skilled workers are turning increasingly to Unions for representation.

As a result of more of these professionals and high skilled workers who are now turning to Unions for representation, the question asked was, 'Isn't it "unprofessional to join a Union?"

NO!, and for example, the Academy Awards winners Tom Hanks, Susan Sarandon and Kevin Spacey don't think so, and neither do Grammy Award winners Tony Bennett and Carlos Santana.

In addition, world renowned physicist Albert Einstein and Pulitzer Prize winning, Washington Post Cartoonist Herblock were also prominent Union members.

However, these are just a handful of professionals and high skilled workers, and there are others who have been at the top of their professions, who have strongly supported their Unions.

Furthermore, white-collar workers also work through their Unions to help preserve professional integrity and respect on the job.

However, very careful research has clearly shown that an employee of a large corporation frequently loses professional autonomy in the corporate bureaucracy. Because the professional and high skilled workers are not always free to offer independent judgments based solely on professional considerations.

Moreover, without a proper contract and a Union to police it, employees may be fired or penalized for offering a view that is at odds with their supervisors. But nothing could be less professional, and I am pretty sure that many professionals and high skilled workers find themselves on the short end of the stick when it comes to their supervisors.

However, according to several independent research, there are a huge number of professional, technical and high skilled workers that are already participating in collective bargaining – organizations represented by Unions are such varied practitioners as musicians, doctors, nurses, actors, broadcasters, school teachers, college professors, engineers, etc.

During a discussion with some professionals and high skilled workers they wanted to talk specifics and thus asked, "What about bread and butter issues, like salaries or wages? And are there any differences between working Union versus non-Union?

History has recorded that women and men who join and belong to Unions bring home a better paycheck than non-Union workers, for with Union membership and representation workers can earn more than unrepresented workers, and accordingly with their "Union advantage" this exists in almost every occupation, from service sector, factory workers, clerical, professionals and high skilled workers.

However, today's Union means even more for women and minorities who have seen their salaries and wages increased and for them this is the: "Union advantage."

So that's why I'm pretty sure that you will agree with me that it doesn't cost to join a Union, in fact, it actually pays and pays well to be a member of a trade Union.

Another question that was raised by some professionals and high skilled workers was, "How about benefits, and how are they better?

Again history has shown that Union families, because that's what you gain, an extended family, and have much better benefits:

- a. Some 95 percent of Union workers in large and medium-sized workplace have employer-provided health care benefits, compared with only about 70 percent of unrepresented workers;

- b. On pensions, Union members are much more likely to enjoy secure retirement benefits, and because Union members are better paid during their working years, they earn better pensions, and therefore have a better chance to save for retirement.

The final question that was raised for the day was, "What about job security, do Unions make a difference here to?"

Of course YES! Besides protecting workers from arbitrary employer actions relating to discipline and dismissals, Unions make jobs better so Union members are more likely to stay at their jobs than non-Union workers.

However, that's one of the reasons why a very high percentage of Union members have the same employer for ten years or more, compared with a very low percentage of unrepresented workers.

Furthermore, there are better training, lower turnover and workers voice in making decisions about how the work gets done, and that also means that Unions also increase productivity as well.

As time is of the utmost importance we will have to stop here for today, but in a follow up article we will continue where we left off by looking at, "What can a Union offer me on things like working conditions and hours of work?"

Today I leave you with a quote by A. Philip Randolph, and a Union song by John Warner.

**"At the banquet table of nature, there are no reserved**

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# There Is Really No Unity In The Unity Concoction

By Thinking Citizen

A heterogeneous group of over- ambitious and over-zealous opposition politicians have banded themselves together in order to contest the upcoming General Elections. They call themselves Team Unity, but the only thing which keeps them united is their common craze to remove Dr. Douglas from the office of Prime Minister.

Team Unity advertises itself as a team that is superior to and more popular than the Labour Party, the PAM party, the CCM party and the NRP party respectively and is the only team that can defeat and unseat the ruling Labour Party.

The members of Team Unity are basing their hopes for total success at the polls on the name which they have given themselves which is "Unity".

But the name "Unity" does not by and in itself render the Unity Team more likely to succeed at the polls. Success at the polls depends upon the individual quality and characteristic of the respective members. The more good qualities each member possesses, the greater would be the chances for success for the Team. And the opposite holds true as well.

In addition to that there is also the question of what has really motivated the members of the group to form a team called Unity. Was it a commitment to provide the greatest good for the greatest number of our people?

Or are they motivated by a desire to attain position and power? Or is it greed, envy, grudge, jealousy and avarice? Is it a longing to become

Prime Minister? Or is it a striving for revenge for imagined hurt and wrong?

Team Unity is behaving just as other opposition groups and parties have behaved in the past. The members are conducting a campaign of full-scale lies, half-truths, baseless allegations, false charges and cowardly innuendoes. The members are also condemning and opposing the commendable programmes and projects put forward by the Labour Party Government. And to top it all off Team Unity members are making the rounds promising the electorate all sorts of fancy things.

We cannot forget that that was the strategy used by PAM in 1978 and 1979 and when the party got into power in 1980, the PAM Government simply turned its back on the poor working-class people and tried in every way to destroy the Trades & Labour Union.

Certain members of PAM who are also part of the CCM/PAM/PLP cabal have been talking about restoring Democracy back to St.Kitts. But PAM has never ever valued Democracy. There was Democracy aplenty under Premier Robert Bradshaw and PAM tried to destroy that Democracy and establish an oligarchy on the night of June 10th, 1967. PAM's philosophy was: If you can't vote them out of power, then shoot them out. PAMites also love to call certain members of the Labour

Party Government liars. This shows however that such PAMites have forgotten their party's history and record.

When the PAM Government introduced the Social Services Levy as part of Government's fiscal policy, the PAM propaganda machine informed the general public that the Social Services Levy was not a TAX, but a Levy. The tragedy was that all the air-heads in PAM believed their party's Brer Annancy story.

Of course the Social services Levy is a TAX. It is a Personal Income Tax. The wise one among us say: If it walks like a duck, quacks like a duck, behaves like a duck, then it is a duck. There is a world of difference between a LEVY and a TAX.

PAM followed up this first lie with a second lie to the effect that the proceeds or revenue collected from the imposition of the Social Services Levy would not go into the General Revenue pool, but would go into a Special Fund to improve the Public Health Services.

The truth is that that did not happen. The proceeds were paid into General Revenue and the money was used to pay Civil Servants, buy supplies for all Government offices and meet the cost of repairs to all Government Buildings. PAM does not idle to tell lies when the leaders think that it would improve their party's image.

The members of the Unity concoction just like the members of the old-time set of pirates and buccaneers are a diverse group. They say that they are a united group, but the only thing that unites them is their lust for power and their burning desire to remove Dr. Douglas from office.

The groups of pirates and buccaneers though they were united had no desire to improve their region or their territory but only an overwhelming urge to plunder, ransack and steal as much as possible.

But the matter of the real unity of the Unity concoction or Team Unity has been questioned. The question has been raised as follows: How can a group of opposition politicians be fundamentally united, when some members are for Secession, while others are for the preservation of the unity of our Federation? Some members are for building up, while others are for breaking down?

How can there be unity of purpose or of intention when one faction within the group is going east, while another faction within the same group is going west? Clearly someone in Team Unity is pulling our legs. He cannot really be serious.

There is really no real unity in the Unity concoction. The members are just fighting to gain control of government in order to secure the resources of the country to share it up among themselves.

We as a people were fooled by PAM in 1980. We are a much wiser and more informed people at this time. We will not let PAM, CCM, PLP or any combination of parties fool us. We know that there is really no unity in the Unity concoction. It is all a device to fool gullible and unsuspecting people.

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**seats. You get what you can take, and you keep what you can hold. If you can't take anything, you won't get anything, and if you can't hold anything, you won't keep anything. And you can't take anything without organization." – A. Philip Randolph.**

## Bring Out The Banners

By: John Warner.

In faded photo, like a dream,  
A locomotive under steam,  
Rolls with the ranks of marching feet,  
And Union banners on the street.

### Chorus:

Bring out the banners once again,  
You Union women, Union men,  
That all around may plainly see,  
The power of our unity.

I've seen those banners richly made,  
With symbols fair of craft and trade,  
The Union's name in red and gold,  
Their aspirations printed bold.

Boilermakers, smith and cooks,  
Stevedores with cargo hooks,  
Declare their Union strong and proud,  
Rank on rank before the crowd.

They won the eight-hour working day,  
They won our right to honest pay,  
Victorious their banners shone,  
How dare we lose what they have won?

Today, when those who rule divide,  
We must be standing side by side,  
Our rights were bought with tears and pain,  
Bring out the banners once again.



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# Minister Liburd: “Labour Party is still the best option for St. Kitts and Nevis”



Hon. Marcella Liburd

St. Kitts and Nevis.”

“We have changed and transitioned to a younger crew and that’s very important because in 19 years, you would expect that a whole generation would have passed. I want to commend our Spring Time candidates – Mr. Konris Maynard, Dr. Vance Gilbert and Dr. Terrance Drew – who have helped to rejuvenate the party. And you would have thought that when the two detractors - Sam Condor and Timothy Harris - left, people felt as though that’s it, but look at what has happened in the Labour Party as the old people say a bad wind never blows,” Ms. Liburd said on Freedom FM 106.5 FM “Good Morning St. Kitts and Nevis.”

“We now have young, vibrant, visionary, bright, humble young people on the ticket doing an excellent job for the party and you know what, the St. Kitts and Nevis Labour Party is the only party with a vision for the country, not patch work. It is a vision which is we want to be, the first small island sustainable state and so we’re moving fast towards that, we’re already on our way so all the policies and programmes would be geared towards that,” said the lone female parliamentarian and cabinet minister.

Citing the leadership role of St. Kitts and Nevis’ Prime Minister on the local, regional and international stage, Ms. Liburd disclosed that officials of Grenada’s Ministry of Finance are to visit the Federation “to find out how we did it.”

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – As the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party celebrates 19 years in government, Minister of Health, Community and Social Development, the Hon. Marcella Liburd says the 82-year old party is the only political organisation with a vision and is “still the best option for

You have Antigua asking how we did it. All of the countries around the Caribbean are coming to St. Kitts and Nevis as a leader to find out how did you do it and to learn from us. Isn’t that leadership and masterful leadership at that?

With a youth population where 60% of the people are under the age of 25 or 35, Ms. Liburd said the statistics are reflected in the slate of candidates being offered to the electorate by the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party.

“More than 50% of our candidates are young people. As a matter of fact, if you go back the 19 years, there are only two candidates remaining from that time. Two out of the eight. That is how much we are on top of things in terms of change within the Labour Party,” she said,

“Compare that to those on the other side. They seem stuck, they seem unattractive to young people, but you have a vibrant Labour Party which is in keeping with the dynamics of this country being a young country,” said Minister Liburd, who said the government continues to provide opportunities for young people.

## St. Kitts-Nevis Police To Enhance Service To Victims

Basseterre, St. Kitts, (SKNIS): Family members and friends who may lose a loved one as a result of a criminal act, suicide or violent accident stand to benefit from a new unit to be established within the Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force (RSCNPF).

Officials from the agency recently visited its sister organization, the Orange County Sheriff's Office (OCSO) in Orlando, Florida to learn more about the Victim Advocate Unit and its important role in helping individuals cope with the unnatural and sudden passing of loved ones.

Advocates also assist families in understanding



(left to right) Mrs. Antoinette Walwyn and Commissioner Celvin G. Walwyn meet with OCSO Sheriff Jerry Demings the investigative and judicial processes which at times can seem confusing and slow.

St. Kitts and Nevis' Commissioner of Police Celvin G. Walwyn, who served in OCSO from 2003 to 2011, is reportedly committed to creating a similar unit in order to strengthen relations with the community and enhance the services the police provide to residents and visitors.

Consultant Antoinette Demming, who holds a Master's Degree in Security Management, has been designated to conduct a training of trainers workshop for the RSCNPF staff.

# Minister Liburd Slams Condor and Harris Over Deceptive Remarks on VAT

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – St. Kitts and Nevis' Minister of Health, Social and Community Development, the Hon. Marcella Liburd is accusing two former Cabinet colleagues of deception in relation to their flip-flop position on the introduction of the Value Added Tax (VAT).

She pointed out that the VAT, introduced in 2010 and which replaced several other taxes, had the full and unequivocal support of the then Cabinet ministers, Hon. Sam Condor and Hon. Dr. Timothy Harris and exempted several medicines for chronic diseases from VAT.

“One of the other parts of deception has to do with the VAT because I want people to understand that when the VAT Bill was passed, Dr. Timothy Harris and Sam Condor both supported the VAT. They both supported the VAT. They had no issues with it then when they supported the VAT, but they are now coming out to make people believe as though somehow they have some big problem with the VAT and not only that, misleading people,” Minister Liburd said on Freedom FM 106.5 “Good Morning St. Kitts and Nevis.”

She pointed to segments of the VAT Act that exempts from the VAT a supply of medicines for chronic diseases.

“These including HIV, Diabetes, Hypertension, Cardio Vascular Diseases, Asthma, Renal Disease, Cancer and Mental Illness approved by the Chief Medical Officer, these are all VAT Exempt,” she told listeners.

“So people need to understand that, when you hear them talking they must come clean and be upfront with the people and these have been VAT exempt since the passage of the Bill (in 2010),” said Minister Liburd, who said there was some issues first with the implementation as expected whenever anything starts.

“But these are all VAT exempt and they need to let people know. Don’t try to fool people. Put the facts out there and let people make their decision for themselves but again this is all part of the deception trying to fool people. This is all part of it,” said Ms. Liburd, the Parliamentary Representative for St. Christopher 2 (Central Basseterre).

SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS

ISLAND OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER

TITLE BY REGISTRATION ACT, CAP. 10.19

A. D. 2014

SKBHCV2012/192

In the matter of an application by Bryant & Liburd Solicitors on behalf of Leroy Augustus Mc Dowell for the replacement of a lost Certificate of Title to land contained in Book A.2 Folio 215 of the Register of Titles for the Island of St. Christopher

and

In the matter of Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19

### NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

It is hereby notified that an Application has been made to the Registrar in Chambers for an Order for the issue of a new Certificate of Title in lieu of a lost Certificate of Title to land being **ALL THAT** lot of land known as Lot No. 43 of Cayon Housing Project in the Parish of St. Mary in the Island of St. Christopher bounded and measuring as follows: On the North by a public road to the Island Main Road 36.8 feet, On the South by Lot No. 44 of the said Housing Project 41.8 feet, On the East by Yearwood Street 69.4 and On the West by Lot No. 42 of the said Housing Project 72.3 feet containing by admeasurement **2,781.90 square feet**, all as the same is delineated and set forth on the plan of T. R. Molyneaux licensed surveyor deceased and copied by James R. Buchanan licensed surveyor dated the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 2010.

Any person knowing the whereabouts of or having any information concerning the said duplicate Certificate which may lead to its recovery is requested to notify the Registrar of Titles at the Registrar's Office, Judicial Complex, Basseterre, St. Kitts or Bryant & Liburd, Solicitors, Shear Lane, Basseterre, St. Kitts.

DATED the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2014

*Bryant & Liburd*  
Bryant & Liburd  
Solicitors

# Puerto Rico Trade Mission visits St. Kitts and on Carnival Valor

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) - The U.S. Embassy to Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean recently hosted a trade mission delegation from Puerto Rico which visited St. Kitts on the Carnival Valor.

A U.S. trade mission is an overseas program for American firms which want to explore and pursue export opportunities by meeting directly with potential clients in overseas markets. This usually consists of a group of businesspeople led by a senior government official.

The Puerto Rican trade mission included 12 U.S. companies mainly from the manufacturing and agricultural sectors.

The delegation visited Barbados on board the Carnival Valor. A unique concept in business travel, they also visited St. Lucia and St. Kitts and Nevis, two of the seven countries to which U.S. Embassy Bridgetown is accredited.

In his remarks at the Hilton Barbados Resort, U.S. Ambassador to Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean

He also noted that because



*Left to right: Acting Political/Economic Chief at the U.S. Embassy Bridgetown, Michael Carver; U.S. Ambassador to Barbados, the Eastern Caribbean and the OECS, Dr. Larry Palmer; lead of the Puerto Rico trade delegation, Francisco Chevere and president of the American Chamber of Commerce for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean, Dustin Delany pose for a photo opportunity after the opening ceremony of the trade mission.*



## GOVERNMENT NOTICE

THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS ASKED TO NOTE THAT NOMINATION FORMS FOR THE 2014 NATIONAL HONOURS AWARDS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- GOVERNMENT HEADQUARTERS, BASSETERRE
- NEVIS ISLAND ADMINISTRATION, CHARLESTOWN
- FEDERAL OFFICE, CHARLESTOWN

THE NATIONAL HONOURS ACT, CAP 23.17, 1996, DESCRIBES THE AWARDS THAT MAY GRANTED AS FOLLOWS:

- **THE ORDER OF NATIONAL HERO FOR DISTINGUISHED AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE NATION**
- **THE STAR OF MERIT FOR LONG AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE, OR LONG AND DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE NATION**
- **THE MEDAL OF HONOUR FOR OUTSTANDING AND MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO THE NATION**

ALL FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER BY 31 JULY 2014.

Office of the Prime Minister  
Government Headquarters  
Basseterre

of the United States' close geographic location and shared historical and cultural ties, the

Caribbean is a natural partner for the United States.

Executive director of the Puerto Rico Trade Company and lead of the delegation, Francisco Chevere, said that he was pleased with the response from local businesses and believed that this mission was mutually beneficial.

After the opening session, the Puerto Rican businesses held private meetings, known as "one-to-one" meetings, with selected Barbadian companies, in a bid to increase trade between the two countries.

With "one-to-one" meetings, local businesses are pre-screened to match the trade delegation's business objectives, whether for representation, direct sales or joint ventures in the local market.

U.S. Embassy Bridgetown was pleased to support this first trade mission for 2014, as it aligns with the Mission's goal to promote and facilitate U.S.-Caribbean trade.



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# Court Of Appeal Rules Speaker's Grounds "Meet the Required Threshold"; Stays Lower Court Proceedings In Motion Of No Confidence Case

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM)—The St. Lucia-based Eastern Caribbean Appeal Court has stayed the judgment of all proceedings in the Motion of No Confidence matter in favour of the Speaker of St. Kitts and Nevis National Assembly, the Hon. Curtis Martin.

In a ruling on Friday 3rd July, the Court found that the Speaker's had 'met the required threshold.'

"The Honourable Speaker appealed the first instance judgment to the Court of Appeal on a variety of different grounds. The stay was granted on the basis that the appeal filed by the Honourable Speaker of the National Assembly 'has met the required threshold' under the law.

"The legal threshold includes the finding by the Justice of Appeal that the Speaker's intended appeal has real prospects of success at the hearing of the appeal," said a statement from Mr. Martin's legal team.

The statement pointed out that the ruling of the Court of Appeal is very significant.

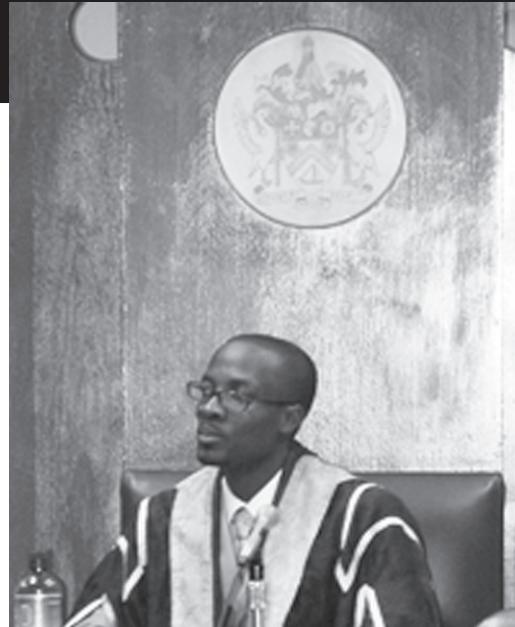
"It vindicates the decision by the Honourable Speaker of the National Assembly to appeal the judgement of the High Court Judge and seeks a stay of all of the proceedings before the High Court Judge until the determination of the appeal. It is clear now that his appeal has merit and is just, and not the time wasting device which it was portrayed to be by the Members of the Opposition," said the statement.

The legal team further stated that the Court of Appeal's decision also exposes the misjudgment of those in civil society who demanded that the Speaker had no choice but to allow the debate of the motion more so after the judgment of the High Court Judge which they said was unanswerable.

"Their rush to judgment sought to deny the Speaker the protection of the rule of law and right to seek the guidance of the Court," the statement added.

The legal team further noted that the grant of the stay of proceedings is a significant setback for Hon. Mark Brantley, Hon. Eugene Hamilton, Hon. Shawn Richards, Hon. Vance Amory, Hon. Condor and Hon. Dr. Timothy Harris.

"They had publicly alleged the Honourable Speaker's appeal was frivolous and without merit. They also resisted the application for a stay tooth and nail on the ground, among others, that the appeal has no prospects of success. This allegation has now proved to be false. It was implicitly rejected by the ruling of the Court of Appeal. The appeal will now proceed to the Court of Appeal," the Legal Team statement said.



*Speaker of the St. Kitts and Nevis National Assembly, the Hon. Curtis Martin*



*Leader of the Opposition in the National Assembly and Deputy Premier of Nevis, the Hon. Mark Brantley*

The Speaker of the National Assembly the Hon. Curtis Martin has expressed thanks to his legal of Anthony W. Astaphan, SC; Mr. Sylvester Anthony and Miss Angelina Sookoo.

Mr. Martin said he looks forward to the determination of the appeal by the Court of Appeal.

## Message from The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force-Emergency Plans For Hurricane Season

The 2014 hurricane season began June 1st and will run through November 30th. Forecasters are predicting a below-normal hurricane season with roughly 10 named tropical storms, five hurricanes and two major hurricanes predicted for the Atlantic Ocean this year. According to the US National Hurricane Center, "a lack of hurricane awareness and preparation are common threads among all major hurricane disasters. By knowing your vulnerability and what actions you should take, you can reduce the effects of a hurricane disaster."

Don't let a hurricane catch you unprepared. Fill a waterproof storage box with the following disaster kit items:

**Water** - 1-gal per person for 3-7 days.

**Pet Care Items** - Identification/shot records/medications, carrier or

cage, muzzle &/or leash, additional water & food for pets.

**Food – at least enough for 3-7 days per person** - Non-perishable packaged or canned food/juices, non-electric can opener, snacks/foods for infants or elderly, cooking tools and fuel, paper plates, utensils, garbage bags.

**Personal hygiene items** – soap, shampoo, baby wipes, toothbrush/paste, towels/

## Police Round-up

### ARRESTS

**Shane Degrasse of West Street, Basseterre** was formally arrested and charged for the offences of Possession of Cannabis and Possession of Cannabis With Intent To Supply.

**Dwight Dore of Downing Street, Sandy Point** was formally arrested and charged for the offences of Simple Wounding, Assault and Threatening Language, which were committed on 4 July 2014 at Downing Street.

**Serene Phillip of Upper Monkey Hill** was formally arrested and charged for the offence of Larceny by the Servant, which was committed between 20th and 21st August 2013.

**Steadroy Jeffrey of Tabernacle Village** was formally arrested and charged for the offence of Driving Without An Insurance Policy or Such security In Respect of a Third Party Risk, which was committed 23 June 2014.

**Yotsowadee "Diane" Sitimalik of Boyd's Village** was formally arrested and charged for the offence Fraud, which was committed on 3 March 2014.

**Jermaine Merritt of Cardin Avenue** was formally arrested and charged for the offences of Possession of Cannabis and Larceny From The Person, which were committed on Monday 30 June 2014.

**Akeem Elliott and Leon Prentice both of Newton Ground** were formally arrested and charged for the offences of Battery, Assault, and Armed With An Offensive Weapon, which were committed 1 July 2014 at Newton Ground.

**Carlton Tyson of Jessups Village** was formally arrested and charged for the offence of Possession of Cannabis, which was committed on 3 July 2014 at Cotton Ground.

**Makwan Jaff of Frigate Bay** was formally arrested and charged for the offences of Driving Without a Valid Driver's License and Insurance, which were committed on 3 July 2014.

## COURT CONVICTIONS

### DISTRICT "A" MAGISTRATE'S COURT

**Mak Van Jaff** was convicted for the offences of Driving Without a Policy of Insurance and Driving Without a Valid Driver's Licence, which were committed on 3 July 2014, and fined \$750.00 for Driving Without a Policy of Insurance which is to be paid in twenty one (21) days or in default will serve two (2) months in prison, and \$350.00 for Driving Without a Valid Driver's License which is to be paid in fourteen (14) days or in default will serve two (2) months in prison.

### DISTRICT "B" MAGISTRATE'S COURT

**Vanceroy French of Saddlers Village** was convicted for the offence of Possession of Cannabis which was committed on 9 December 2013 at Saddlers, and fined \$700.00 which is to be paid by 25 July 2014, or, in default will serve thirty (30) days in prison with hard labour.

**Courtney Thompson alias "I-Chet" of Halfway Tree Village** was convicted for the offence of Possession of Cannabis which was committed on 26 December 2012 at West Farm village, and fined \$1000.00 which is to be paid by 31 August 2014, or, in default will serve thirty (30) days in prison with hard labour.

**George Dushene of Sandy Point** was convicted for the offence of Possession of Cannabis which was committed on 26 December 2012 at West Farm village, and fined \$800.00 which is to be paid by 30 August 2014, or, in default will serve thirty (30) days in prison with hard labour.

washcloths, etc.

**Miscellaneous** - Clothing, rain gear, sturdy shoes, first aid kit, medicines, tools, toys, books & games.

**Other Supplies** - Flashlight, extra batteries, bleach for water purification, battery-operated radio, credit cards, cash, keys, important documents sealed in a waterproof container – insurance, medical records, bank/credit card account numbers, social security card, etc., vehicle fuel tanks filled,

disaster relief in your area.

For additional information, please visit <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>. You can also download the Tropical Cyclone Preparedness Guide (PDF) from NOAA at <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/hurricane/resources/TropicalCyclones11.pdf>.

**Commissioner C.G Walwyn, Ph.D (ABD)**

# St. Kitts' Yu Lounge Dubbed The Best In The Caribbean Region

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – The recently opened, YU Lounge at St. Kitts' Robert L. Bradshaw International Airport is not only being touted as the Caribbean's newest airport lounge, but also one of the region's best.

According to Caribbean Journal, the lounge, which opened in May, not only has both an arrival and departure wing, it also boasts, its own immigration office, meaning you get to skip the long lines at passport control. It also had its own Customs Office.

"The price comes in at around US\$167 (that's in part because most



Photos are courtesy of Yu Lounge

of those using it will be arriving on private jets), but that includes the tarmac pickup, the expedited customs and unlimited food and drink and fast Wi-Fi. And once you're sitting on the couch, sipping fresh lemongrass tea, you'll feel like a million dollars anyway," said Caribbean Journal.

Announcing its opening, the company said Yu Lounge is designed to deliver a seamless and efficient fast-tracking service to individuals and small groups flying into St. Kitts either by private jet or by commercial flight.

Specialized world-class services for private jet aircraft crew are also featured. The facility offers well-appointed full service arrival and departure lounges as well as a dedicated crew lounge and a comprehensive range of ground handling services for aircraft operators.

In a recent comment on the opening, St. Kitts and Nevis' Minister of Tourism and International transport, Sen. the Hon. Richard "Ricky" Skerritt said the facility now gives the twin-island destination a competitive edge in appealing to the discerning luxury market that

requires the world-class, customer-centric service it provides.

"I am pleased that our visitors will now have the option for such a luxurious arrival and departure experience, almost as if their resort or villa accommodation experience has begun and ended at the Airport itself," said Sen. Skerritt.

The buildings, the interior furnishings, and landscaping were designed by Bobby Mukherji & Associates, recognized as one of India's top ten design firms, and constructed by Lennox Warner & Associates, a local St. Kitts general contractor.

The private terminal is the result of a joint-venture effort between the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis, the St. Christopher Air and Sea Ports Authority (SCASPA) and the Veling Group with full ownership to be transferred to SCASPA at the end of the concession contract period.

Veling is an aviation company with activities in aircraft sales and leasing that is headquartered in Mauritius with offices in London and Dubai.

IN THE EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERATION OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER AND NEVIS  
ISLAND OF ST. CHRISTOPHER  
A. D. 2014

*REGISTRAR'S OFFICE  
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Suit No. SKBHCV 2014/cccc

In the Matter of Section 144 of the Title by Registration Act Cap 10.19 of the Laws of the Federation of Saint Christopher and Nevis.

and

In the Matter of an Application for the issuance of New Certificate of Title to replace the lost duplicate of Certificate of Title dated 24th October, 1994 registered in Book T2 Folio 492 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit.

BETWEEN:-  
PHILMORE GIBSON

Applicant

and  
THE REGISTRAR OF TITLES FOR  
THE SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT

Respondent

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST

### CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that PHILMORE GIBSON of the Island of Saint Christopher (also known as St. Kitts), presently residing at 7859 Estate Marian Dahl, St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands, has applied for the issue of a replacement of a Certificate of Title in lieu of the following for the reason that the original Certificate of Title has been irrevocably lost, namely a Certificate of Title dated the 24th October, 1994 and registered in Book T2 Folio 492 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit in respect of a lot of land situate at Lot No. 22 of Green Tree Development in the Parish of St. Thomas in the Island of Saint Christopher aforesaid containing by admeasurement 3375 square feet bounded and measuring as follows, that is to say:- On the North-East by lands of Wingfield Estate, 45.00 feet; On the South-East by Lot No. 21, 75.00 feet; On the South-West by Wingfield Drive, 45.00 feet and On the North-West by Lot No. 23, 75.00 feet. Any person who may have information that may lead to its recovery is asked to contact INNIS AND INNIS of Chambers, 11A Cayon Street, Basseterre, St. Kitts. (Telephone number (869)465-4010; Fax (869) 465-3323; Email Address [innis@skccsrls.kn](mailto:innis@skccsrls.kn)) Solicitors for the Applicant.

Dated the 3rd day of January, 2014.

*Ernest L. Lewis*

INNIS AND INNIS  
Solicitors for the Applicant

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### QUALIFICATIONS/ REQUIREMENTS:

- Minimum of three (3) or more years experience in the Insurance industry preferably in claims.
- Sound knowledge of general insurance principles and practices and claims procedures.
- Tertiary education preferred, however a high school diploma with a minimum (5) CXC O' Levels to include Mathematics and English is required.
- Knowledge of insurance related products and services.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- Proficient in Microsoft office suite.

### SKILLS/ CHARACTERISTICS:

- Ability to plan, organize, and analyze workload efficiently.
- Must take initiative, able to work independently with minimal supervision.
- Exceptional customer service skills.
- Committed to self-development.
- High degree of professional integrity.
- A strong desire to learn, and become knowledgeable in insurance operations.

A competitive compensation package will be offered commensurate with qualifications, and experience of the successful candidate.

All applications must be submitted with a detailed Curriculum Vitae accompanied by two references and sent to the address below no later than July 25, 2014.

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# EC\$14 million water project to provide 2 million gallons daily

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – With the rapid growth in the domestic, commercial and agricultural sectors in St. Kitts, measures are being taken to increase the water supply to two million gallons daily.

**Deputy Prime Minister, the Hon. Dr. Earl Asim Martin** in an update to the Cabinet of Ministers on his ministry's efforts to further improve the water services in St. Kitts said demand for water is beginning to outstrip supply, and that proactive intervention is required to ensure the continuous supply of adequate amounts of potable water.

He informed that the Water Services Department has recommended a deep well drilling project to increase the water supply by two million gallons per day.

To accommodate the distribution of this additional supply of water, the project will also secure the expansion of the main pipelines around the island of St. Kitts with the installation of 6 to 8 inch wide water lines,

The water supply improvement project has been estimated to cost EC\$14 million and the Sugar Industry Diversification Foundation (SIDF)



will be requested to provide the first EC\$10 million of this amount.

Deputy Prime Minister Martin was pleased to receive Cabinet approval for the project and reiterated that access to adequate supplies of clean water is critical to the health and quality of life of the people and to the overall economic development of the country.

He added that the resources of the SIDF have been used to empower all of the people and to build the national infrastructure for the benefit of all, and that this



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**Reports to:** Transmission & Distribution Manager

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**Knowledge/Skills/Experience Required:**

- Must possess a valid class E drivers license.
- Must have the ability to control the backhoe and bucket to get the job done in a safe and timely manner.
- At least 3 years experience.
- Must be capable of working in a team.
- Writing and organization skills

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Applicants should send resume' and cover letter no later than 23, July 2014

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water supply improvement project is an important investment in all the people.

Photo: Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Public Utilities, the Hon. Dr. Earl Asim Martin (Photo by Erasmus Williams)



## Lawrence School of Music 33rd Annual Pianoforte Concert for July 15, 2014

### A Highlight of the Local Music Calendar

Basseterre, St. Kitts, July 7th, 2014 - It is time again for a highlight of the local music calendar, when past and present students of the Lawrence School of Music present their 33rd Annual Pianoforte Concert.

This concert will take place on Tuesday, July 15th, at 7.30. p.m. at Wesley Methodist Church on Seaton Street.

Experienced and budding musicians will display their musical talent on the piano, and also on wind and stringed instruments.

You will be treated to original compositions and arrangements, as well as new and classic music that we love and will enjoy.

These young people are an asset to our country and should be encouraged in this effort as they bring joy to the hearts of all with their beautiful music, while contributing to a worthy cause in the community.

Last year's joint State Scholars, Tama Martin and Kyle Levi Bradshaw, who are both students of the Music School, will be the Masters of Ceremony at the evening's proceedings. They are both outstanding musicians who have made great contributions in their churches, schools, and in other musical spheres. Along with their hosting duties they will participate in the concert.

The proceeds of this programme are earmarked for the Wesley Methodist Church.

Early in the year, the Music School gave donations to St. Johnston

Methodist Church and the Paediatric Assistance League of St. Kitts. Additionally, a donation was given to help send a child abroad for treatment, which is a wonderful example of children helping children.

The Music School is grateful to all who support these concerts, in any way, and we look forward to the 33rd concert on Tuesday, July 15. We give thanks to God for the gift of music.

On a sad note, the Music School mourns the loss of one of its past students, Thensia Grey, who went to be with the Lord on Friday, June 20th. Thensia participated in these concerts both in singing and playing the piano. We pray that her family will take comfort in knowing that Thensia is now safe in the arms of Jesus. May Thensia rest forever with the Lord. And may God grant the family peace.

## New Land Registry To Result In A Central Electronic Repository For Records

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – Establishment of a new Land Registry in St. Kitts and Nevis will result in significant benefits deriving from a more informed base for the identification of properties and the creation of a platform for improving the conduct of business in the twin-island

The Federal Cabinet has approved a new Land Registry Bill (2014) that will establish a dedicated and separate land registry with branch offices in both Nevis and St. Kitts and appoint qualified persons in the relevant fields to operate the Land Registry.

A new Land Registry is also

expected to result in securing the preservation, storage and back-up of records and implementation of a central electronic repository for records

Presently, the High Court serves as the Registry of Lands, and the Registrar of the High Court is the Registrar of Lands. The same registry also houses registries relating to probates, deeds, NGOs, Friendly Societies, newspapers and Trade Unions.

Furthermore, certificates of title for land are not efficiently stored and managed, leading to the possibility of loss or damage of documents and inefficient customer service at the registry. This situation has impacted negatively



Photo (left to right) Hon Nigel Carty, Hon. Glenn Phillip, Hon. Marcella Liburd, Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas, Hon. Dr. Earl Asim Martin, Hon. Patrice Nisbett and Hon. Jason Hamilton

## PM Douglas Says Cabinet Members And Youthful And Dynamic Candidates Are United In Keeping St. Kitts And Nevis On Its Positive And Upward Trajectory

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM)—Political Leader of the ruling St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party, Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas says the 19th anniversary of the Party in office is not to focus on certain individuals' attempts to trick and mislead the nation, but affirm that Labour's ability to pull together, to regroup, and march forward undeterred following the 2013 departure of two Cabinet members.

"Labour's deft management of the global economic crisis, our ongoing upliftment of students, parents, and workers at a time of



Hon. Richard Skerritt



Mr. Konris Maynard (left) and Dr. Terrance Drew (right)

shrinking regional and global options and Labour's success at advancing the interests of our country's businesses, our country's workers, and the nation as a whole shows that today, the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party is better. We are stronger. And we are ready. And the people have full confidence," the Prime Minister said in a national broadcast on Tuesday.

Indicating that the cohesion and the singularity of purpose that now imbue the 82-year-old Party have made the leadership and rank and file better, Prime Minister Douglas said that the "dynamic and innovative thinking of our 'Springtime Candidates' has made the party stronger."

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Honourable Dr. Earl Asim Martin; the Honourable Marcella Althea Liburd, the Honourable Glenn Phillip, the Honourable Patrice Nisbett, the Honorable Jason Hamilton, the Honourable Ricky Skerritt, and the Honourable Nigel Carty, have delivered so ably on behalf of the nation.

He encouraged listeners to meet and interact with the youthful and dynamic candidates, computer and electrical engineer Mr. Konris Maynard, medical practitioner Dr. Norgen Wilson, medical practitioner Dr. Vance Gilbert and medical practitioner Dr. Terrance Drew.

"As I said at the time of our Party's 2014 conference in May, it is interesting that at this particular time in our nation's history, so many persons who have dedicated their lives to mastering the art of healing, have stepped forward to serve their communities and their progressive and proud nation. They have dedicated their lives to making the ill, well; to restoring life in the face of death. And to making whole that which has been broken. This is an orientation and a mindset which our nation indeed needs, and their particular skillsets are sure to redound to the benefit of our nation at large," Prime Minister Douglas said.

He added that the exchanges and interaction between the current Cabinet members and Labour's "springtime candidates," have been stimulating and energizing.

"Their dynamism, their innovativeness, and their life-and-professional skills and insights have been, and will be, of great value to Labour and indeed to the nation, a fact that becomes instantly apparent whenever they interact with the public at large. At the same time, they have committed themselves to understanding Government, its rules and its regulations, its impact and service potential, and the seriousness with which they are doing so is inspiring indeed," Dr. Douglas said.

He boldly stated: "In Labour, my fellow nationals, our country has experience and youth, wisdom and innovation. In addition, Labour has clearly proven its ability to protect and uplift – in the most trying of global circumstances. Importantly, our country today is internationally respected. Let us together, then, face the future together, committed to giving our best, and exhibiting the wisdom that is called for, in order to ensure that the country we love so much remains on its positive and upward trajectory."

# PM Douglas Gives Thanks For The 19 Years Of The St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party Government



BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas told the congregation at the New Birth Gospel Tabernacle on Sunday that despite challenges over the past 19 years, the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party and Government have made progress in several sectors of the twin-island nation.

"As we think back to where we were as a party and as a Government, and a nation back in 1995, with the future stretched out before us, unknown and unknowable. There was no way for us to know – as we assumed office back in July 4th 1995, filled with hope, faith, and love of our country – that our country would be ravaged by the five hurricanes in five years.

But we were. And so we closed ranks. We did pull ourselves together. And we rebuilt our country, we rebuilt our broken lives as we rebuilt our infrastructure. Each time and every time we did this. Because we really



know that the problems are there to be fixed, trials are there to be endured and challenges are there to be overcome in order for us to be able, once more, to make a joyful noise with thanksgiving that's why we are here today," said Prime Minister Douglas.

He said there was no way for to know in 1995 that decisions made in centers of power far beyond our shores would, in 2008, unleash a multi-year and utterly devastating global economic and financial crisis. But they did. And so as before we gathered our forces. And we focused our minds and recall upon our God for guidance. And we used every bit of financial insight and acumen within our control, to defend this our tiny progressive nation. And we did this in order that our people might be spared humiliation. We did this in order that our people would be spared the tumult. We did this in order that our people would be spared the havoc

that

was being heaped on so many other nations, all across the world, large and small," said Prime Minister Douglas

"And we did this in order that, as a people, in a spirit of thanksgiving and humility, our hearts might still be able to make a joyful noise.....with thanksgiving that's why we are here today," he added.

He pointed out that it was not known 19 years ago which of the Federation's young men and women would step forward in the coming years, seeking help in their quest to become mechanics and doctors, teachers and carpenters, lawyers and plumbers and engineers and architects and teachers and beauticians too.

"But one thing we knew is that even as we first entered the halls of government, that we would do everything, everything in our power to make the financial institutions that were under the Government's control, our relationships with other countries, and resources to which our government might have access in the future, that bridge over which our young people would walk, the keys that would open new doors to thousands of affordable homes and the hope that would change the course of their lives .and that of their children forever and ever," he told the congregation.

Prime Minister Douglas said his Government would go to the ends of the earth to provide learning opportunities, and training opportunities as well, whether at home or in institutions far from these shores, to ensure the development and the advancement of the youths of this proud nation, at levels never, ever before seen in this country, so their hearts might be glad.

"We did not know exactly which men and women in 1995 would turn to us in search of land to farm or homes to call their own or land to build new churches and expand their churches or assistance in starting new businesses. But we knew, even as we took the oath of office nineteen years ago, that we would use all of our mental capabilities, and all of our governmental authority, to deliver all this – and more – to our farmers, to our parents, to our young people and our not so young people in this, the land of their birth," he said.

The congregation was also told that it was not known back in 1995 that way into the future, personal conflicts would be shifted to the level of the 82-year-old St.

# PM Douglas Says St. Kitts And Nevis Has Made Stride As His Government Celebrates 19 Years In Office

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – Prime Minister the Right Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas marked the 19th anniversary of his ruling St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party (SKNLP) in power, making reference to the



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socio-economic development of the twin-island Federation and launching a broadside attack on the "minority politicians" seeking to unseat his administration by parliamentary and other means.

In a half hour address to the twin-island Federation, Dr. Douglas said

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Kitts-Nevis Labour Party.

"But they were. And, as he has promised, he bound up our wounds, he has stopped the hemorrhage, healing has taken place, and he has placed us on a straight path; the case is now straight that we going for all 8. Because church, as we have been taught, 'Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many more seeds.' What man, in his simplicity, sees as death, the Eternal, and the Universal, and the Infinite at the dawn of time ordained to bring new life, new hope and new birth right here in New Birth," said Dr. Douglas, suggesting that it is now Springtime for all in the Labour Party.

"And so we give thanks that our Nation, so tiny, so young, is now so highly regarded all around the world. We give thanks that in our Nation, we are all free – completely and utterly free – to speak, to praise, to criticize, to support, to condemn. Completely and utterly free. Without cost or consequence," said Dr. Douglas.

He gave thanks for the inner cohesion and the singularity of purpose that define the Party and for the faith and loyalty, the encouragement and the support, the advice and the very wise counsel that have been brought to all on so many occasions, by so many over the years.

"But more than anything else, we give thanks for your support and for your praise not only to this congregation but to all the congregation across this land, your praise that we behold and we would continue on our mission and path and services we give thanks today, most of all, we the leadership the servant leaders of our great party and Government, we give thanks most of all for our long-held and long-demonstrated awareness that the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party was elected to serve all the people of this country regardless of class, religion, or political persuasion – without fail. And this we have faithfully done. For each and every one of our nineteen years.

"For on this, the full flowering of our Nation depends. And for all this and more, this day, we give thanks, we give God thanks today and always, we give him thanks. And for all this – and more – this day, we make a joyful noise unto the Lord. This awesome God and we shall never forget really who we are. God bless you. Thank you.

Amen. And Amen," said Prime Minister Douglas, who is also the National Political Leader of the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party.

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that since 1995, the country's socio-economic development has improved significantly despite local and global challenges and appealed to nationals to ensure that the SKNLP remains in power when the next general election is called.

He noted that when the people first mandated that Labour assume the responsibility of leading the country, St. Kitts and Nevis had been independent for a mere twelve years and achieving Independence was a momentous occasion.

"In the years leading up to 1995 however, the country had begun to feel just a tad shaken, just a tad afraid. And with good reason: The United States was forbidding the most prominent ambassador of the then-government from ever setting foot within the United States of America. Private citizens – not members of the police force, and not members of our defense force, but private citizens associated with the then-government – were brandishing personal revolvers, and indeed physically beating Labour Party supporters at town hall meetings, if Labour supporters dared raise points, at these public sessions, of which the then-Government's supporters did not approve," Dr. Douglas said.

He added that prior to Labour's election, Kittitians and Nevisians were not allowed to look at any other television station when the then Prime Minister was addressing the Nation on ZIZ Television.

"All other stations would, as a matter of policy, be blacked-out by the then government. At that time, it was not wise to compose, play on air, or perform calypsos and other songs opposing the then-government. Violent crimes with international overtones had hit the Federation, and our country was being referred to by the international media as 'Devils' Island.' Prior to our election, providing university loans and scholarships to the country's young people was not even a remote priority for the government of the day. And home ownership, it was the special preserve of the very special few affiliated with the government of the day," said Dr. Douglas, quickly adding:

"That is all behind us now, thank God. But it was these conditions and the circumstances, it was these unhealthy social and governance realities that propelled us, in the St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party, to work so very hard first, to win your support, and then, again with your support, to fix and



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correct all that had been making our country so very uneasy."

He said that the extraordinarily hard work that Labour has put in since then to change, elevate, and protect the image of the country has resulted in St. Kitts and Nevis and the Government today holding a place of honour and respect amongst leading governments and institutions of the world.

"We all know that with a population of 50,000 persons, St. Kitts and Nevis is smaller than many villages in many large countries, yet your government's effectiveness and competence resulted in our being asked, by the Commonwealth, to lead a Commonwealth delegation to the world's leading financial institutions on the matter of small nation financial prospects and stability. In addition, just one month ago, faced with the question of which Head of Government should be asked to chair the all-powerful Board of Governors of the Caribbean Development Bank – an institution which plays a pivotal role in the social and economic development of the entire Caribbean Region – the most senior government officials from countries as diverse as Grenada and Mexico, Bahamas and China, Canada and the United Kingdom, Dominica and Germany, and some 20 other nations from around the world decided that your country, and your Head of Government, should, at this time, be asked to assume, for the next twelve months, this very important and far-reaching responsibility where the social and economic development of the Caribbean is concerned," said Dr. Douglas.

He said he made that point, in all humility, as a means of highlighting the strong standing of St. Kitts and Nevis and the respect that Labour has won for the people both regionally and internationally.

"And I share this because it is extremely rare for a nation as tiny as ours to be asked to assume the types of international responsibilities of which I have referred. I share these facts, my fellow nationals, as a means of underscoring Labour's demonstrated ability to ensure that this nation – our nation – remains on this positive and remarkable trajectory," said Prime Minister Douglas.

The 25-year parliamentarian told the nation that there some individuals who wish to unseat his St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party Government.

"There is nothing wrong with that. There are some individuals who have attempted to utilize a parliamentary process to unseat my Government. And there is nothing wrong with that either. But these are also individuals who have knowingly misled, lied to, and deceived the public in the process. They have made assertions in their official attempts to unseat an elected government that are patently, demonstrably, and egregiously false. And those falsehoods, thank Heavens, time has made abundantly clear. Indeed every programme or innovation that has brought significant benefits to the people of this country has been subjected to vicious attacks and malicious falsehoods by minority elements in our society who set out to grab power at any cost; even at the risk of reversing the great strides we have made as a nation and undermining the well-being of our very people," Dr. Douglas said.

He pointed out that the Citizenship by Investment Programme is under continuous attack, emanating from local political aspirants who are determined to cripple or destroy it, notwithstanding the critical role that it has played in strengthening the fiscal position of the Government, promoting growth and employment, providing funding and support for entrepreneurs, providing mortgages to the people, building the tourist industry and saving St. Kitts and Nevis from the onslaught of the global financial crisis that has left so many economies in shambles.

Prime Minister Douglas highlighted the support for the programme at the just concluded 35th Regular Meeting of the Conference of Caribbean Heads of Government in Antigua which urged all countries

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engaging in such programmes to cooperate and coordinate their regulatory systems with respect to both the Citizenship by Investment Programme and financial services given the imperative of enhancing the security of the region while ensuring the protection and expansion of their revenue base.

He further noted that Heads of Government had further commended the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis for its ongoing work in strengthening the legal regulatory and administrative framework governing the Citizenship by Investment Programme to ensure that it exceeds international standards.

"Indeed we are already hard at work in respect to the strengthening of our Citizenship by Investment Programme. Although our programme is still the oldest and most reputable programme of its kind in the world and although our due diligence procedures are rigorous and second to no other country, we intend to raise the Citizenship by Investment Programme to an even higher level of transparency, accountability and regulation than what already exists.

"In this regard we intend to enhance our cooperation and collaboration with regional and international Governments to ensure that we maintain, and even exceed, the most rigorous international standards," said Prime Minister Douglas, who disclosed that the Federal Cabinet has approved an action plan involving enhanced security, regulatory compliance and administrative strengthening to achieve this important objective and a specially appointed Implementation Team has been given the responsibility of executing the action plan in keeping

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# St. Kitts and Nevis To Host Inaugural MOAS General Assembly

Basseterre, St. Kitts, (SKNIS): The Model Organization of American States (MOAS) General Assembly, will prepare youth of the Americas for leadership roles, whilst signaling another first for St. Kitts and Nevis.



*Deputy Secretary General to the OAS:  
Ambassador Albert Ramdin*

stated the positives to having such project launched in the Federation.

"The good thing is that 150 – 200 students from the world will be here not only to experience St. Kitts and Nevis but to exchange views, learn from each other and build negotiating skills," he said. "It is a very practical hands-on activity to build skills and at the same time discuss the four pillars of the OAS which includes, security, human rights, development and democracy."

Permanent Representative, Ambassador H.E. Jacinth Henry-Martin, expressed her gratitude to the OAS for hosting this event in the Federation and urged the public to get actively involved.

"The MOAS represents an opportunity for the youth of St. Kitts and Nevis," she stressed. "The wider public should do all they can to find out more about the OAS as there are a lot to be discovered."

As the recent chair of the OAS Permanent Mission, Ambassador Henry – Martin expressed that it was an occasion to demonstrate the possibilities within the OAS.

"I saw this as an opportunity where we (St. Kitts and Nevis) can demonstrate that we are active and participating as members of the OAS," she said. "At the same time, it affords an opportunity to our young people to not only see the OAS from a distance, but to be involved in simulating what we do on a routine basis at the OAS."

Henry-Martin urged the youths to take an active part in finding out more about OAS as it boasts many opportunities for them.

"I also see this as an opportunity for young people to consider what their career options can be, with greater perspective in terms of if they are doing languages, law, social work or engineering," she stated. "The OAS is so broad that its work encompasses several areas."

"I believe our (St. Kitts and Nevis) sixth formers in the Federation can see opportunities for their greater professional and personal career and development options."

Mr. Ramdin explained that during the MOAS, the delegations from each participating member state will not be representing the country they were sent from. For example: a delegation from St. Kitts and Nevis might represent the member-state of Grenada, Ecuador or Brazil.

The OAS comprises of 34 member-states. St. Kitts and Nevis signed unto the Charter of the OAS on December 03, 1984. Their office was established on November 10, 1985 and became operational in 1986.

The MOAS is expected to take place in the third week of October, 2014 and will run for a period of three days.



## VACANCY

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**TDC Human Resources Department**  
**Fort Street**  
**Basseterre**  
**St.Kitts**

Applications should be received no later than Wednesday 16th July, 2014.

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with the policies established by the Government.

He noted that while his Labour Government works to build the country through innovative programmes, minority elements in the society are conspiring to destroy such programmes to the detriment of every Kittitian and Nevisian.

"Fellow Nationals, you would remember that while Labour was working to bring our debt down; while Labour was working to disburse and increase civil service salaries, while Labour was working to facilitate the establishment of small businesses, while Labour was working to deliver skills training free of charge, while Labour was working to expand home ownership, while Labour was working to secure a long-service gratuity for industrial site workers and upgrade our nation's infrastructure, those seeking to unseat Labour by means other than an election were expressing utter horror, supreme disgust, and rabid rage at Labour's land-for-debt agreement with the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank,"

"Some of you may have believed that these howls were sincere, that what you were hearing were the wails of

principled men whose most sacred beliefs had been viciously violated, you heard what some may have thought were the cries of wounded leaders who would sacrifice all to protect our scarce and precious land, the anger of those who refused to stand idly by while our land was plundered and our patrimony lost," said Dr. Douglas, asking: Who can forget how the public was asked to rise up in uncompromising protest?"

The St. Kitts and Nevis Prime Minister pointed out that Nevis' recent land-for-debt agreement tells a great deal about those politicians in Nevis who set out to unseat Labour because of the land-for-debt agreement with the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank.

"And Nevis' decision to swap even more land than anyone else had ever contemplated, turning over to the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla National Bank tells us even more. But the zippered lips and shifty glances again, I stress, those zippered lips and the shifty glances of those Kittitian politicians who joined with their Nevis counterparts in an all-out campaign to bring an elected Government down – because of land for debt – really does tell all of us all that you need to know about the integrity, the trust, the motivations, and the true character (or lack thereof) of those who wish to use means – other than an election – to bring an elected government down," said Dr. Douglas.



# CARICOM To Establish Commission To Debate Marijuana Decriminalisation

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) - Caribbean Community (CARICOM) leaders including St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas, have agreed to the establishment of a Commission to further the debate on the decriminalisation of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

CARICOM Secretary General His Excellency Irwin La Rocque told reporters that while the composition of the Commission is yet to be determined it will most likely be made up of experts "in their field."

"The objective of such a Commission on marijuana is to conduct an inquiry into the social, economic, health and legal issues surrounding marijuana use in the Caribbean."

La Rocque told reporters that the Commission would "determine what recommendations they wish to make based on objective analysis and consultation within the Community."

"It is not a pre determined end, it is as I said to conduct a vigorous inquiry into the circumstances of the use and the implications of the use of marijuana in our Community," he said.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines Prime Minister Dr. the Hon. Ralph Gonsalves, who initiated debate on the marijuana issue a few years ago, had prior to his arrival in Antigua and Barbuda for the 35th Regular Meeting of the Conference of Caribbean Heads of Government, indicated that while he would not prejudge the work of the Commission, said it would most likely consider changes to marijuana legislations in countries around the world, including Jamaica, the United States, Sweden, and Uruguay.

"They will look at any number of places and they will make their recommendations. I await those recommendations, because I feel even in the absence of those recommendations, it seems to me counterproductive to ignore the potential of an industry in respect of medical marijuana and to continue to expend police, national security, court resources on persons who consume a minuscule amount of

marijuana in the privacy of their homes," said Gonsalves.

La Rocque told reporters that the leaders, had during the first day of their deliberations "covered the grounds we wanted covered," and that the draft strategic plan for the Community that seeks to identify the areas the region would focus on over the next five years had been presented.

The plan has been developed following widespread public consultation across the region and the leaders will seek to reach agreement on top priority areas for focused attention over the five year period of the plan.

"The plan is centred around building resilience in our countries...and seeking to foster greater development in our countries," La Rocque said, adding that a report from the Commission on the Economy had also been presented to the leaders.

La Rocque said that the leaders had "an interesting encounter with the captains of industry" whose businesses span investments across the Caribbean.



*Photo: CARICOM Chairman and Antigua' and Barbuda's Prime Minister the Hon. Gaston Browne (left) and Secretary General of CARICOM, His Excellency Irwin Laroque*

"(The talks) were very, very frank exchange which is a building of a partnership between the Community and the industries to foster growth and investments," he said, adding "some of the issue that were discussed related to the need to harmonise our business rules and regulations across the Community."

La Rocque described the meeting between the regional leaders and the visiting Spanish Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy as productive saying "we have had a number of summits with Spain over the years...in which we are trying to foster deeper relations between CARICOM and Spain..."

A joint statement issued following the talks between regional leaders and Rajoy noted that they have agreed to give priority to "advancing the fight against poverty, the conservation and sustainable management of natural resources, biodiversity and the environment in general" as well as "working together to address the negative impact of climate change on Small Island Developing States (SIDS) including through the capitalisation of the Green Climate Fund."

They have also agreed to advocate for a rules based system of international trade, "one that includes special, differentiated treatment for small vulnerable economies and that facilitates their integration into the global economy."

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**SCHEDULE OF APPLICATIONS**

For Certificate of Title and notings thereon and Caveats for the week ending the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2014.

DATE OF REQUEST	PERSON PRESENTING	NATURE OF REQUEST
17 January 2012	VIOLA THOMPSON by her Solicitors BRYANT & LIBURD	Request for Issue of First Certificate of Title for land situate at Fig Tree, Sandy Point in the Parish of St. Anne in the Island of St. Christopher containing by admeasurement 1,226 square feet and bounded and measuring as follows: On the North-West by lands of Verona Carty 25.22 feet, On or towards the North-East by lands of Violet Wilkins 44.93 feet, On or towards the South-East by a public road 29.84 feet and On or towards the South-West by lands of Jestina Hodge 44.28 feet

DATED the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of JULY 2014.

Karen Paul-Nisbett  
 HAMILTON & CO.  
 Solicitors for Maurice Garvey

# Keep The Faith Under Pressure



All Christians have to face challenges on a daily basis. This is the time when some Christians lose their faith and the evil one steps into their lives to reside. As you are reading this article now, you too are facing challenges of your own, and you know of others who are going through their gethsemanes as well. These may be health issues, family problems or stresses of some sort. There are many such situations in Holy Scripture to console and keep all of us on our knees. Whisper a prayer for God's intervention; for the same God Who brought others through will see us through also.

There is a young man in the Old Testament whom we should all meet. His name is Gideon. He came to duty at a time of great tension in Israel's life. There was a prevailing terror. The Midianite marauders were all over. Israel, God's nation, was worn down by successive invasions. They suffered hunger because their crops and live stocks were plundered year after year. This nation was desperate for a capable leader. In such a situation, who in their right mind would dare fulfil that role?

God's eye was on a young man whose name was Gideon. Many would not have thought of Him because he was partially hidden by an oak tree and two troughs that were hewn out of rocks – the upper trough for trampling grapes and the lower for collecting the juice. The young man Gideon was working threshing wheat; and at the same time hiding from the Midianite's vision. But young Gideon was worried as to what was going to become of Israel. Well, God quickly took this lad, transformed and shaped him into a leader extraordinary.

When the Israelites cried out to God because of the Midianites, He sent them Gideon who became in the hands of God's Spirit [a] "mighty warrior" At first Gideon ran away from the task, like the son whose dad requested of him to work in the vineyard and he refused at first; later he recanted and went (Matthew 21:28-29). Gideon faced the reality that God was using him to be His nation's deliver.

## Nevis records first cases of Chikungunya fever

NIA CHARLESTOWN NEVIS — The following is the full text of a press release issued by Dr. Judy Nisbett Medical Officer of Health, Ministry of Health in the Nevis Island Administration (NIA).

On July 2nd, 2014, the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) informed the Ministry of Health, Nevis, of two laboratory confirmed cases of Chikungunya fever on the island. These are the first laboratory confirmed cases of Chikungunya fever for the island of Nevis. Both patients have recovered fully.

Chikungunya fever is a viral disease which is transmitted by Aedes aegypti and

Chikungunya fever affects all age groups and both genders. The disease is characterized by the abrupt onset of high fever frequently accompanied by severe joint pains 3 – 7 days after being bitten by an infected mosquito. Infected persons may also complain of one or more of the following: back pain, headache, muscle pain, rash, nausea, vomiting, and fatigue. These symptoms typically last 3 -10 days. Deaths from Chikungunya fever are rare.

There is no known cure for the disease and treatment is directed at relieving the symptoms. Paracetamol may be used to relieve fever and Ibuprofen to relieve joint pains. Aspirin should be avoided especially in children. Persons infected are also advised to get plenty of rest and drink lots of fluids. Recovery from an infection will confer lifelong immunity.

Prevention efforts are the same as those for dengue fever. The Ministry of Health strongly urges



*The Aedes aegypti mosquito*

members of the public to destroy mosquito breeding sites in and around households such as pots, pans, tyres, coconut shells, flower vases, water storage containers that are improperly covered and any other receptacle that can hold standing water for more than several days. We are now in the rainy season which provides excellent conditions for mosquito breeding so enhanced vigilance is necessary.

The Environmental Health Department will continue to carry out mosquito reduction plans. Vector Control and Environmental Health Officers will continue visiting premises to identify and destroy mosquito breeding sites and to educate households. However, the cooperation of residents is absolutely essential for the success of prevention activities.

Aedes mosquitoes live in and around households and bite mainly during the daytime. Persons are encouraged to apply topical mosquito repellent containing DEET, IR3535 or icaridin at all times and also to sleep under mosquito nets during the day and night for additional protection.

Persons who are potentially infected are advised to rest



*Dr. Judy Nisbett Medical Officer of Health, Ministry of Health in the Nevis Island Administration*

Aedes albopictus mosquitoes infected with the virus. Both of these mosquitoes are present in St. Kitts and Nevis and are the same vectors which spread dengue fever from human to human.

The prodigal son did an outlandish thing against his faith. His friends wanted him to live a life away from that which his father through training knew would have made him a better person. Absurdly, this young man chose his friends over that of his future success. It was at the "pigs' pen" that his faith returned. The prodigal son woke up to the grim reality of his situation. Remember he almost ate the pigs' swill. Finding his faith, he returned to his first love. (Luke 15:11-20a).

Israel was in this predicament. She had lost her faith because of her idolatry. Israel joined the cult of the devil and the way to Yahweh was mutually exclusive. Gideon's duty was to eradicate the symbols of idolatry and sacrificed this nation back to the Lord.

Gideon took on the task with great trepidation, but he kept his faith. It is when our faith is resolute, that we see that God's call is to uproot all that undermines our single-minded adherence to him.

The apostle James penned his own words, "double minded" (1:8; 4:8) as a warning. James warns Christians throughout the world to maintain an unadulterated devotion to Jesus Christ. What James means is to dissuade Christians from attempting to follow Christ while they maintain contradictory values. James highlights the preposterous impossibility of being committed to two masters. Slouching toward Gomorrah does cause severe pressure and halting between two opinions.

**Humbly Submitted by**  
**Alson B H Percival (Rev Canon Dr)**  
**Chair**  
**Nevis Regional Council**

beneath mosquito nets to avoid mosquito bites and spread of the infection to others. For further information on Chikungunya please contact your nearest health centre.

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## Cabinet Takes Measures To Access One Million Euros for Social Development Programme

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – The Federal Government of St. Kitts and Nevis has taken measures to access one million Euros from the European Union.

"Given government's commitment to interventions that focus on the reduction and alleviation of poverty and social exclusion, Cabinet approved the revision of the Social Development Assistance Act (1999) that will provide the framework for a most modern social assistance programme that focuses on the specific needs of the poor and the disabled," a post Cabinet statement said on Monday.

Cabinet's approval of the revised social protection bill (2014) will trigger the release of one million Euros under the accompanying measures for Sugar Protocol (AMSP) countries instrument, as part of the European Union's budgetary support to the Federation.

In 2012, a National Social Protection Strategy and Plan of Action was developed by the government to guide the establishment of a sustainable, comprehensive and integrated social protection system to safeguard our citizens against risks, shocks and vulnerabilities that can negatively impact their standard of living.

It has been noted additionally that the present legislation on social assistance is inadequate in stipulating adherence to international human rights treaties that have been ratified by the Federation over the years. Government is of the view that all laws of the Federation should be compliant with international human rights treaties.

Three existing social protection services are being consolidated into a unified grant system to promote greater effectiveness and efficiency. These programmes are (i) the food voucher programme (ii) the compassionate grant and (iii) the poor relief and disability grants.

# PEP's contribution to Early Childhood Education hailed



*Educator Officer for Early Childhood in Nevis, Mrs. Florence Smithen (right) with Mrs. Vanta Walters; Ms June Wallace, a resource teacher at the Early Childhood Unit on St. Kitts; and Mrs. Jacqueline Morris, Director for Early Childhood Development, St. Kitts and Nevis.*

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS— By the time curtains came down on the very successful 30th anniversary of Child Month, celebrated in June, the People Employment Programme (PEP) had been recognised as a key player in the development of Early Childhood education in the Federation.

Through the direct intervention of PEP's Project Manager Mr. Geoffrey Hanley, retired Director of the Early Childhood Unit in St. Kitts and Nevis, Mrs. Vanta Walters, was taken out of her retirement to set up a training programme for early childhood educators which would be fully sponsored by the People Employment Programme.

With Mr. Hanley's proposal, Mrs. Walters immediately saw the benefits that would be accrued by the entire Early Childhood sector as it would mean that for the very first time, early childhood educators in the Federation would be trained before they made any contact with the children.

According to Mrs. Walters, in all its existence the Early Childhood had been hiring untrained teachers for the nation's day care centre's and preschools, and would only have them trained after they would have worked with the children for a period of time.

"When the PEP Project Manager Mr. Geoffrey Hanley called me and asked me whether I would be willing to come out of retirement and do the training course, it didn't take me long to say yes because I saw it as an opportunity for me to contribute to the development of the nation's children, and human development," said Mrs. Walters.

"It also gave me an opportunity to help the Early Childhood Unit advance their agenda because ever since I was there as the Early Childhood



*Prime Minister the Rt. Hon Dr Denzil Douglas poses with PEP Early Childhood trainee attached to Vern 'n' Llew School in Nevis, Ms. Janel Nanton (left), school's proprietor Mrs. Vernitha Collins, and PEP Co-ordinator for Nevis Ms. Kerlyn Jones.*



*Mrs. Vanta Walters (in hat - left) leads Early Childhood Education trainees during the St. Kitts Child Month parade held on Friday June 27.*

Director, there was a concern that persons were placed into the day care centers and into the preschools without receiving any initial training."

A training programme was rolled out at the Challenger's Community Centre with an initial 26 women training to be early childhood educators. The number has come down to 21 with some of the participants having secured jobs elsewhere.

The PEP Early Childhood trainees were first exposed to the public in Charlestown, Nevis, early in the Child Month celebrations on Friday June 6 when they took part in the Child Month parade, where Education Officer for Early Childhood, Mrs. Florence Smithen, commended the People Employment Programme for offering to train early childhood educators.

"It is always a good thing to train adults to work with young children and those persons who are involved in PEP programme right now, having

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SAINT CHRISTOPHER CIRCUIT  
A.D. 2014

Claim No. 24/2014/CH/2014/156

IN THE MATTER of Section 144 of the Title  
by Registration Act, Cap. 10.19 of the Laws  
of Saint Christopher and Nevis

And

IN THE MATTER of an application for  
replacement of Lost Certificate of Title  
Registered in Book W2 Folio 298 of the  
Register of Titles for the St. Christopher  
Circuit

#### NOTICE FOR REPLACEMENT OF LOST CERTIFICATE OF TITLE

NOTICE is hereby given of the lost Certificate of Title dated 26<sup>th</sup> August, 1997 registered in Book W2 Folio 298 of the Register of Titles for the Saint Christopher Circuit which title was issued in the name of ADELINA CAREY as registered proprietor.

Any person having information relating to the whereabouts of the said Certificate of Title is requested to notify the Registrar of Titles for Saint Christopher or Roberto Hector, Solicitor, Ronald Benjamin Law Firm, Chambers, Rosemary Lane, Basseterre, St. Kitts, Tel. No. (869) 465-5151.

Dated the 9th day of April, 2014

  
Roberto Hector  
Solicitor for Adeline Carey

## Community Notice

The Human Resource Management Department on behalf of the Ministry of Health and Social Services wishes to invite suitably qualified nationals of the Federation of St Kitts and Nevis to apply for the position of Health Planner on a full-time basis.

The candidate should possess a Master's degree in Health Care Administration, Health Planning or related field from an accredited college or university and have no less than seven (7) years experience in Health Care Management and the ability to work in a fast paced environment.

The deadline for the receipt of applications is Thursday July 31, 2014.

acquired the skill, they can venture out and have their own business, at least they would already have the knowledge and skill, in order to work with young children, so I think it is a good thing," said Mrs. Smithen.

She added that those being trained by the People Employment Programme would be helpful to the entire educational system because they will have been trained by the time they join the system, and she felt that it was a big plus for the early childhood sector.

"I am hoping though that those persons who are being trained that they would take the profession seriously and they would go on and get involved in that sector because if they move into something else, it would have been a waste of time and a waste of money," observed Mrs. Smithen.

She noted that while there was a class-based training programme on St. Kitts for early childhood workers, it was not so on Nevis. She however acknowledged and appreciated the fact that the People Employment Programme has employed early childhood workers in Nevis who are training at the various private early childhood units on the island.

"The Early Childhood sector is always in need of workers because as I understand it, the People Employment Programme pays the workers and that would help to lower adult-child ratio in the private sector, because some persons are really in dire need of having more workers on board," noted Mrs. Smithen.

"So yes, if they are to help the private sector by giving them one of two workers it would boost the Early Childhood sector more."

According to Ms. Kerlyn Jones, PEP Coordinator in Nevis, the People Employment Programme has ten participants who are training in the Early Childhood sector on Nevis. They are placed as follows: Naomi's Day Care, two; Vern 'n' Llew, three; Steppin' Stone, two; Montessori Academy, one; Marilyn's Day Care, one; and Maude Smith Pre School, one.

The PEP Early Childhood trainees joined in the St. Kitts parade that was held on Friday June 27, where unlike the parade in Nevis, they had carried a banner and all had headpieces with the number '30' designed on the front, and each carried a placard with information from their training module which they wanted to relay to the public.

# THE TOWER OF BABEL

## Part One

Dear Reader, when I was a little boy, I remembered reading this biblical story about the Tower of Babel in Genesis 11. The very first impression I got of the world was that it was one big mass of land and that its inhabitants spoke one language.

My other impression was that the people were very skilled in construction technology and wanted to build a city with a tower that would reach up to heaven. They believed that by building such a city, they would make a name for themselves, become famous people and, at the same time, they would be preventing their city from being scattered.

One day, God saw all this activity taking place and decided to pay a visit to see what they were building. There are those of us who, up to this day, cannot yet begin to comprehend the Great Powers of God. We, with our limited earthly powers believe that we could outsmart the Master. The same very Master who created us. If He is our Creator, mustn't it be understood that He knows and sees everything about us even before we think about it?

In His Infinite Wisdom, God perceived their evil intentions. He knew that this stairway to heaven would lead the people away from Him. He noted the powerful forces within their unity of purpose which possessed their own personal ambition, their own personal greed, their own personal hatreds and that these same powerful forces were just using the poor, dedicated people to carry out their own personal agendas.

He decided there and then to put a halt to the construction of their city by breaking up the language of communication, causing them to speak many different languages. He also scattered the people of the city all over the earth.

For hundreds of years, the poor oppressed people of St. Kitts- Nevis were exploited and oppressed by those who felt that they were far superior to them. GOD RAISED UP His leaders from among them, and, through years of struggle, the black man has been able to chart his own course to improve the situation. Despite the advancements made, there are still those within our society who cannot come to grips with the fact, that times have changed and they must change with the changing times. Nothing stands still. The order, "Quick March," must come; for life is replete with numerous chapters of change.

Every day, new technologies are entering the markets of the world and we have to be able to adjust to these new advances.

In St. Kitts, the oligarchs believe that the rest of the world could move on but they must continue business as usual. They believe that they and their children have been divinely ordained to enjoy certain inalienable rights and that we, the vast majority of the masses must never come close to enjoying these same rights and privileges.

To enjoy these same rights and privileges, borders on high treason, for the masses of the land must never come that close, never mind to close the gap completely. Many of my readers will accuse me of distorting the facts; many might accuse me of fomenting hatred and distrust; many might even conclude that Massa Day cannot and will never return. While Massa's day can never return to the point where we have chains on our wrists and ankles, we should all be reminded that massa is more subtle

## Police On Nevis Investigates Throwing Of Molotov Cocktail On Station's Premises

The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) is investigating an incident in which a bottle of molotov cocktail was thrown on the Charlestown Police Station compound about 4:35 PM yesterday (Tuesday 8 July 2014). One (1) juvenile was taken into police custody and will face charges for this act of terrorism and attack on the station.

Assistant Commissioner of Police for Nevis, Mr Robert Liburd stated that this act is a very serious act and will be treated as an act of Terrorism and an attack on Law Enforcement and the Country as a whole, and will not be left unchecked.

Commissioner CG Walwyn stated that the resources that are available will be utilised to investigate this daring and traitorous act and the police and the state. A thorough investigation is ongoing and all the relevant and necessary charges will be brought against the person or persons involved.



than he was yesterday. He is ensuring next time around that when he shackles us, it would be a permanent shackling. He is coming after our minds and he is going to succeed.

Do you know why he is going to succeed? "A people who do not know their history are bound to make the same mistakes. A people who are ashamed to look back and identify with the struggle are easy prey for massa's shackling efforts.

Look at the state of affairs in the world today? The world economy is stagnant. Job opportunities are almost non-existent. The housing industry has collapsed. The Banking Industry is in ruins. One would have thought that we would be doing our homework to find out what has either gone wrong, is either going wrong or about to go wrong.

Instead of us putting our heads together to analyze and parse the situation in order to find a solution, we are hearing about the overthrowing of Governments which are supported by the masses of the inhabitants of the earth, but does not find favour with those who own material wealth. Although there is a scarcity of financial resources, money is being found to unleash war. Instead of garnering our human resources to fight the things that are affecting us, we are hell bent on destroying those who look like us. Instead of uniting to face the common foe, we are busy abandoning the fight for the payment, like Judas of Jesus' time, of thirty paltry pieces of silver, paid out by those against whom we fought yesterday, to protect the interests and the gains made by the same masses we are now betraying.

The interest of the many has been sacrificed on the altar of greed, envy and personal ambition. The principles we stood for yesterday, are now being described as historical mistakes today. Lies are being substituted as Gospel truths today.

Once upon a time, it used to be PRINCPIA NON HOMINES, meaning, "Principles not men." Today it is all about the material worth of the person. To hell with the means used to accumulate that wealth. The masses must not have a say today. We who, because of

our minority, were defeated at the polls to install the government of our choice, have now resorted to the Courts to wrest away all the privileges the masses have gained. The Masses could defeat us at the polls, but, at the courts they are undone, because they do not possess the financial resources to represent themselves; justice is very expensive.

Are we, the vast majority, going to wait that day when we find ourselves devoid of all the gains we have fought for, taken away from us? Are we going to await the day when the cry emanates from a frustrated Masses of People, "Oh Wretched Masses of hopeless Individuals we have now become? Or, oh voiceless masses of people we have now degenerated into?"

Those who once praised up the island as a role model to the whole world are now are now decrying it as the poorest in the whole world. This is done with the evil intent of retarding the future progress and development of the country.

Just one year ago they were stating that the opposition, with whom they are now joined, is not good for the country; today, they are lying in bed with that same enemy and praising up that same very enemy who was so bad yesterday. Mind you, dear reader, not that the enemy has changed its spots, but because of thirty paltry pieces of silver paid out to them

All of a sudden, the name St. Kitts has to be mentioned in a negative light. If you are a regular visitor to the island and you are asked to comment on its progress, if you do so in a positive way, somebody has paid you to say those positive things. But, isn't this the same little island you are striving to govern? Why do you want to govern a country which nobody loves? Wouldn't it be an exercise in absolute futility?

Look at these scenarios? In 2007, there was the world cup series in St. Kitts. They warned everybody not to attend the world cup series, because the stadium was going to collapse; yet, they were the first persons in the park. Was it to witness the collapse of the stadium, or to enjoy the game all by themselves?

Earlier this year, Four Million U. S Dollars were invested to upgrade Warner Park in order to attract CPL T20 Cricket. They criticized the investment; but, because of that investment, St. Kitts was chosen to house the semi-finals and the Finals of the series. Now the traitors to St. Kitts, who have repeatedly trampled our National Motto, 'COUNTRY ABOVE SELF' under their feet, are asking persons to boycott the events. And, at the same time, telling we the masses, that they are the best persons to govern the country. "When you start praising up the country, I would give some thought to the positive things you are now saying, but, until such time, we, the masses are holding on to what we have and hanging on to the people who have been fighting for our cause and in our interests.

You see, we had grandmothers who taught us that it is better to deal with the devil we know, than an unknown angel. Our grannies also taught us to be aware of strangers bearing gifts and all kind of sweet talk. They said that we must always watch the cut of their jib. Show some Love, Loyalty and Respect, to the Mother Land.

Hear the shout? "Come let us build this new city of unity." But look at the materials they are offering to build this tower of Babel? Lindsay Fitzgerald Grant, caught at the Marriott Hotel in 2010, with a complete stranger, negotiating to swap the land that Comrade Robert L Bradshaw our First National Hero acquired in our name, for a sum of money which was to be placed in a private off shore bank account. Selling out the patrimony of the people without their consent? Isn't this kind of action called "CORRUPTION?" If a new building is being constructed, why go to the political landfill to search for discarded materials to build? Why not visit the hardware to search for new materials? Is the PAM hardware devoid of new materials that is why they have to resort to landfill materials?

Then there is the Hon. Eugene Hamilton of Constituency #8, who, as Manager of National Insurance, paid out \$500,000.00 (five hundred thousand dollars) to the Democrat Printery which suffered a fire. The Democrat News Paper Printery was never insured with National Insurance or any other Insurance. The criteria for this payment was very simple. PAM was in power at the time. Its Mouthpiece was destroyed by fire. It had to get its message out. Since the Government of the day had shares in National Insurance, why not force the Insurance to pay out Insurance monies to an un-insured Democrat News Paper Printery?

After all, it is we ruling the country and what we say go. A COMMISSION OF INQUIRY some years later, found the conduct of Mr. Hamilton to be

worthy of condemnation. The COMMISSION deemed him unfit to hold Public Office. Despite this condemnation, the People's Action Movement, devoid of any new materials to build, went on the political landfill and used him.

Those who are crying unity are using this piece of corruptly affected piece of material to build the new entity. Is this good material to build with? What kind of building this unity mirage is going to be, using all these rotten and discarded pieces of lumber?

(TO BE CONTINUED)

# Dr. Terrance Drew launches New Scholarship Award

BASSETERRE, ST.KITTS (THURSDAY 10th JULY, 2014) - Well-known community activist and past student of the Deane-Glasford Primary (formerly St. Peter's Primary), Dr. Terrance Drew, has launched a new scholarship award geared towards helping students reach their full potential.

Speaking at the school's 40th anniversary graduation ceremony held on Tuesday (8th July) at the St. Peter's Anglican Church, under the theme 'Think Big: Excellence Is An Attitude towards Your Future', Dr. Drew publicised details of The Helena Saunders Memorial Award named in honour of his late maternal grandmother.

The award, which is to be presented to a deserving child each graduation year, is intended to assist students who have "great potential but just need a little more encouragement to achieve their goals."

The 2014 recipient, Jahlanie Pemberton of Parry's Village, was presented with the award at Tuesday's graduation ceremony.

Dr. Drew has credited his late grandmother, who was affectionately called 'Baba,' for instilling in him the values of a attaining a sound education for which he would always be thankful.

He shared with the audience, in particular the parents, her seriousness about good punctuality and attendance at school and also the completion of homework.

"As a young man I thought she was being tough but as I got older I recognised she had little financially but spiritually she was rich and you too must be like that .So think big for your child because they can do it."

Dr. Drew heartened the 2014 graduating class, comprising of 10 girls and 12 boys, to think big as it pertains to their future success.

"In order for you to succeed in life you must have impactful thoughts; big thoughts, transcending thoughts... thoughts that are outside your present reality. I want each and every one of you to think about what you want to be and never allow your present situation to dictate what you can be in the future. Think outside the box. Think beyond your boundaries and if you do what is necessary you will be successful."

Additionally, he schooled the youngsters about staying focused.

"When you start to think big and you start to have all these big dreams, there is a journey but the journey sometimes can be difficult. There is no easy journey. I would tell you something that in life, anything that is worth having you have to work hard for it. And on that journey you will find many detractors and your detractors when they see where



Dr. Terrance Drew presents The Helena Saunders Memorial Award to a smiling Jahlanie Pemberton

you are going, they will try to remind you of your past as if your past will determine where you will end up. And so I want to tell you today... never allow that to determine your destination. You can go wherever you want to go as long as you're willing to work hard."

Dr. Drew commends all scholarship contributors, both longstanding and new, for collectively seeing to the academic well-being of the students.

The candidate should have no less than five (5) years experience of working in a leadership role in an agricultural institution.

The deadline for the receipt of applications is Monday July 31, 2014.

For more information, kindly contact the Human Resource Management Department at 1-869-467-1323

## Community Notice

The Human Resource Management Department on behalf of the Ministry of Agriculture, Marine Resources and Cooperatives wishes to invite persons to apply for the position of Director of Agriculture on a full-time basis.

The Director of Agriculture is

the Technical Leader in the development of the Agricultural Sector. The Director must be an innovator who will guide the Department of Agriculture towards its vision. The Director will contribute to the shaping of agricultural policy and oversee its implementation.

## Invitation for a Rappateur

The United Nations Women – Multi Country of the Caribbean is inviting quotations from persons interested in being a rappateur for a technical workshop scheduled for July 17 – 18, 2014 in St. Kitts. However, duties will run from July 17 to August 01, 2014 and will consist of 10 specific working days only, during the mentioned period. Completed application forms and quotations must be submitted

by the deadline of Tuesday, July 08, 2014 to email address melissa.bohne@unwomen.org.

Further information can be obtained by calling the Ministry of Social Development at 467-1314.

## Malicious Emails And Scams Being Circulated

The Royal St. Christopher and Nevis Police Force in its continued efforts to protect the citizens of the Federation is hereby giving notice to the general public of a Malicious Email and Scam that has once again been carried out on the internet.

This Malicious email and Scam is carried out by the scammer sending an email to your email address purporting to be someone you know, and is in distress requesting your assistance. When you respond a second mail will be sent to your email account which will infiltrate your address book and contact your friends, and commence its operation on your system. You are asked not to open and respond to any suspicious emails.

## The 2014 CPL Season Kicks off Today

### By Javon Alford

The opening matches of the highly anticipated Limacol sponsored Caribbean Premier League Cricket Competition start today (Friday 11th July) at the National Cricket Stadium in Grenada.

The CPL competition features 6 teams from throughout the Caribbean competing in T20 cricket with hopes of becoming champions. The teams include the St Lucia Zouks, the Trinidad and Tobago Red Steel, Barbados Tridents, Guyana Amazon Warriors, the Antigua Hawksbills and the defending champions the Jamaica Tallawahs who were lead by Chris Gayle.

Grenada hosts CPL matches for the first time and would see all six teams in action today and tomorrow (July 12th). The games start at 4pm daily and on days with double headers the games are 4pm and 8pm.

The Amazon Warriors take on the Tridents today and the Red Steel go up against Tridents followed by the Tallawahs vs the Zouks tomorrow.

Matches would continue as follows: July 17th- Hawksbills vs Tallawahs at Sir Vivian Richards Stadium in Antigua and Amazon Warriors vs Red Steel at Providence Stadium in Guyana; July 19th- Hawksbills vs Tridents at Sir Vivian Richards Stadium and Amazon Warriors vs Zouks at Providence Stadium; July 20th- Hawksbills vs Red Steel at Sir Vivian Richards Stadium and Amazon Warriors vs Tallawahs at Providence Stadium.

On July 23rd the Tridents take on the Zouks at Kensington Oval in Barbados, July 24th- Red Steel vs Amazon Warriors at Queens Park Oval in Trinidad and Tobago and July 25th- Tridents vs Hawksbills at Kensington Oval.

July 26th- Red Steel vs Tallawahs at Queens Park Oval and Tridents vs Amazon Warriors at Kensington Oval; July 27th- Red Steel vs Zouks at Queens Park Oval; July 31st- Tallawahs vs Hawksbills and Zouks vs Tridents at the Beausejour Cricket Ground in St Lucia.

On August 2nd, the Tallawahs take on the Amazon Warriors at Sabina Park in Jamaica and the Zouks take on Red Steel at Beausejour Cricket Ground also on

August 3rd the Tallawahs go up against the Tridents at Sabina Park and Zouks go up against Hawksbills at Beausejour Cricket Ground.

August 7th-16th will see matches here at Warner Park S stadium, Basseterre including the semi final and final matches.

On 7th of August, Amazon Warriors take on the Hawksbills followed by the Red Steel taking on the Tridents.

The Tallawahs take on THE Zoukes on August 9th followed by the Hawksbills battling the Red Steel on the same day. On the 10th of August Amazon Warriors take on Zouks and the Tridents go up against the Tallawahs.

On August 12th there would be a celebrity match organized by Sir Ian Botham and dubbed "the Beefy Bash". The match is expected to feature the likes of Brian Lara and Sir Vivian Isaac.

The semi final matches would be played on the 13th and 14th of August followed by the finals which is scheduled for August 16th.

In an interview with Mr Vernon Springer, Senior Sports Officer and person appointed to work closely with the CPL Competition he stated, "the CPL matches being played in St Kitts is a once in a lifetime opportunity," urging the public to get their tickets fast.

He also went on to say that it is highly unlikely for world class cricket with world class players to be offered at such a low ticket price.

He listed the ticket prices which are as follows: for the double headers; standing (west mound) \$20 for adults and 10 for children, seated stands (ABCD) - \$25 for adults and \$13 for children and the party stand ticket price is \$200.

For the celebrity match the ticket prices are \$13 for the stands and \$200 for the party stand.

The semi-final ticket prices are: \$30 for adults and \$15 for children on the west mound; \$40 for adults and \$20 for children on the seated stands (ABCD) and the party stand price is \$230.

The finals ticket prices are \$45 for adults and \$23 for children on the west mound Stand; \$70 for adults and \$35 for children on the seated stands (ABCD) and \$230 for the party stand.



# St Kitts- Nevis Commonwealth Games Team Announced

By Javon Alford

St Kitts-Nevis Olympic Committee (SKNOC) and Commonwealth Games Association (CGA) have recently made public the names of the 9 member track and field team that would participate in the 20th Commonwealth Games scheduled to be in Glasgow, Scotland from July 23rd to August 3rd, 2014.

The President of the SKNOC and CGA, Mr Alphonso Bridgewater revealed the team on Sunday 6th July which includes; Allister Clarke- 4x100m; Antoine Adams- 100m, 200m and 4x100m; Delwayne Delaney- 4x100m; Warren Hazel- 400m; Brijesh

Lawrence- 200m and 4x100m; Jason Rogers- 100m and 4x100m; Lestrod Rowland- 400m and 4x100m; Merecia Pemberton- 100m and Merita Williams-100m and 200m.

Also, St Kitts- Nevis would be participating in the Table Tennis Competition at the games and the team selected is as follows; Andre Freeman, Calvin Lake and Angellisa Freeman.

The management team accompanying the athletes at the Commonwealth Games is: Leroy Greene- Chef de Mission; Lester Hanley- General Team Manager/ Press Attaché; Dennis Knight- Team Attaché; Burchell Crooke- Track and Field Team Manager; Stewart Joseph- Track and Field Head Coach and Kevin Hope- Table Tennis Team Manager/ Coach.

# Warren Hazel Jr captures bronze medal at CAC Junior Games in Mexico

By Javon Alford

The St Kitts- Nevis athlete Warren Hazel Jr has made his family and country proud after capturing a bronze medal and also setting a new National Record at the Central American and Caribbean (CAC) Junior A and B Championships in Morella, Mexico held from July 4th-6th, 2014.



(left to right) Warren Hazel, Donell Esdaille and Akeem Chumney.

# Team SKN captures 2nd place at the revived OECS Senior Track and Field Competition

By Javon Alford

The 27 athlete team selected by the St Kitts Nevis Amateur Athletic Association (SKNAAA) has made their country even more proud after placing 2nd in the OECS (Organization of Eastern Caribbean States) Senior Track and Field Competition, held July 5th and 6TH, also copping 4 gold, 6 silver and 7 bronze medals.

The competition was won by team St Lucia which captured 5 gold, 2 silver and 6 bronze medals.

The track meet has been dormant for over a decade and saw 96 athletes being registered from 8 of the nine OECS territories including St Kitts-Nevis (SKN), St Lucia, Grenada, Antigua and Barbuda, British Virgin Islands, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Dominica and Anguilla.

The selected team included: Manager- Burchell Crooke; Coach- Lonzo Wilkinson Sr, Roatter Johnson and Llewelyn Pyke. Athletes: Allistar Clarke; Delwayne Delaney; Brijesh Lawrence; Lestrob Rowland; Xavier Francis; Kajon Parris; O'Brien Huggins; Calvert Chiverton; Aaron Bernier; Adolphus Jones; Tahir Jefferson; Dion Warde; Lonzo Wilkinson Jr; Adrian Williams;

Hazel ran the U-20 400m race and placed 3rd, recording a personal best time of 46:72 seconds which is also a new National Record.

He has been performing outstandingly over the past few months and has also been selected to represent the Federation at the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Scotland.

Akeem Chumney was also selected and took part in the U-18 400m hurdles, finishing in 4th place with a time of 56:48 seconds.

The athletes along with their Coach and Team Leader, Donell Esdaille arrived in St Kitts on Tuesday, 7th July and were greeted by members of the SKNAAA along with media personnel and athletic enthusiasts.

The CAC Games is being held for over 30 years and features athletes and teams from Central America and the Caribbean Islands.

Oniel Thomas; Timoy Henry; Merecia Pemberton; Shenel Crooke; Meritzer Williams; Virgil Hodge; Renika Daniel; Rosalie Pringle; Krystal Liburd; Vernicia Joseph; Stavia Lewis and Ashika Williams.

Some stand out performances from the athletes were; Rosalie Pringle-1st in the Women's 800m finals with a time of 2:13:46 and 3rd in the 1500m Women's finals with a time of 5:02:40; O'Brien Huggins and Kajon Parris placed 2nd and 3rd in the 800m Men's finals with times of 1:56:27 and 1:57:13 respectively.

Nathaniel Huggins took the gold medal in the Men's Long Jump, a distance of 7.14m and Calvert Chiverton placed 2nd with a distance of 6.91m; Brijesh Lawrence took the gold medal in the Men's 200m with a cracking time of 20:59 seconds.

Lestrod Rowland recorded a time of 48:22 seconds in the 400m Men's finals and won the silver medal; Merecia Pemberton placed 2nd in the Women's 100m dash with a time of 11:52 seconds and Merita Williams placed 3rd, recording a time of 11:55 seconds; Timoy Henry also placed 3rd in the Men's 1500m race with a time of 4:14:95 seconds.

Other good performances came from Tahir Jefferson who took silver in the Men's High Jump, clearing a height of 1.95m; Krystal Liburd also placed 2nd in the Women's Long Jump with a distance of 6.13m.

Stavia Lewis Placed 3rd in the Women's Shot Put throwing a distance of 11.76m and Dion Warde threw a distance a distance of 18.18m in the Men's Shot Put and took 3rd place.

The SKN Men's relay team including; Delwayne Delaney, Allister Clarke, Brijesh Lawrence and Lestrod Rowland took 1st place in the 4x100m finals with a time of 39:38 seconds.

They were joined by the Women's relay team consisting of Merita Williams, Merecia Pemberton, Shenel Crooke and Virgil Hodge who also took 1st place in the Women's 4x100m race with a time of 45:99 seconds.

Also the Men's relay team for the 4x400m race including Adolphus Jones, Lestrod Rowland, Lonzo Wilkinson Jr and Kajon Parris placed 3rd with a time of 3:18:08 seconds.

The SKN team has proven themselves to be a threat throughout the Caribbean and even the world in the area of athletics after many big improvements from many of the athletes, which is a sign of better things to come in the future.

Grenada placed 3rd with 3 gold and 3 silver medals and was followed by Antigua and Barbuda in 4th place with 2 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze medals.

The British Virgin Islands took 5th place with 2 gold, 3 silver and 1 bronze medals; St Vincent and the Grenadines took 6th place 2 gold, 2 silver, 3 bronze medals and Dominica followed with 1 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze medals. Anguilla brought up the rear with just 1 gold medal.

# CPL Committee Calls For Volunteers

Basseterre, St. Kitts, July 10, 2014 (SKNIS): The local organizing committee for the Limacol Caribbean Premier League (CPL) T20 has issued a call for interested individuals to volunteer for what is described as the biggest party in sport.

During the period August 07 to 16, St. Kitts and Nevis will host semifinal and final matches as well as an all-star charity match and a music concert headlined by hip-hop artiste Rick Ross.

Assistant Venue Manager Keisha Archibald said that the Federation has an excellent reputation in successfully hosting major sporting events including the ICC Cricket World Cup in 2007 and the CARIFTA Games in 2008. She expressed that the CPL was another opportunity to showcase the hosting capabilities and allows ordinary individuals to be a part of something exciting and meaningful.

Interested individuals should log on to [www.cplt20.kn/volunteer](http://www.cplt20.kn/volunteer) to register or visit the office upstairs the Player's Pavilion at the Warner Park Cricket stadium. Telephone 466-8370 for more information.

# PM Douglas confirms investigation into how a large sum of money from Iraq refused by a bank in St. Kitts and returned, ended up in a personal bank account in Nevis



BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) – St. Kitts and Nevis Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. Dr Denzil L. Douglas has confirmed that an investigation is underway as to how over \$1.5 million wired to an account in the banking system in St. Kitts and returned was later deposited into a private account in the banking system in

## 15 Awarded Scholarships to Study in Taiwan - Two Students to Study Medicine

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Kitts and Nevis.

"It goes without saying this will be a turning point and a stepping stone in your academic journey. I hope all of you can capitalize on your studying, integrate with other Taiwanese and international students, do your utmost effort to enrich your knowledge and sharpen your skills, never forget that you are representing St. Kitts and Nevis. Our hope is when you get your degree in Taiwan, you will contribute what you have learnt for the development of your beautiful twin island country, St. Kitts and Nevis," said Ambassador Tsao.

He pointed out that the

Embassy of Republic of China (Taiwan) has been working in very close cooperation with the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis to promote the scholarship and create the lucrative opportunity together for the people.

"The new high number of awardees reflects our joint effort of the two governments and peoples," added the top Taiwan

Nevis.

"In my capacity as the Prime Minister, I became aware that a large sum of money arrived in the Federation from Iraq for the purpose of purchasing lands in Nevis owned by the Nevis Island Administration. I am aware that the banking system in St. Kitts, in particular, refused to accept the money and refused to lodge the money into the account that was supposed to be owned by a company whose ownership is jointly by a high official in the Nevis Island Administration and his wife," Prime Minister said Wednesday night in response to questions asked by a participant at a Town Hall Meeting to mark the 19th Anniversary of his St. Kitts-Nevis Labour Party Government.

Prime Minister Douglas, who is also Minister of Finance, further disclosed that "the banking system in St. Kitts refused to accept the money and the money was returned to the place of origin."

"We have been further informed that what appears to be the very same money – but with an increased amount to it – over \$1.5 million – then appeared in the banking system again this time in Nevis and in fact entered into a personal account of persons who were deemed to be ordinary persons who may not have had good reason to have such large sums of money deposited in their account," Dr. Douglas, said, quickly adding:

"I cannot say much more than that now, because I understand that the matter is under investigation by the bank. I understand that some action has been taken by the management of the bank with regard to the staff that might have been involved and so there is very little that I can say at this time."

diplomat who took the opportunity to thank Prime Minister Dr. Denzil Douglas for his "keen emphasis, care and dedication toward education," Minister Nigel Carty and Minister Patrice Nisbett "for their seamless coordination and providing channel-through the above-mentioned two ministries."

Ambassador Tsao also thanked Permanent Secretary Ionie Willet for her "effective and hard-working team and for the impeccable and unrelenting effort

to help all applicants in the due process."

"My good friends, awardees, we are ordinary people, but we can astound all by our painstaking effort and persistence. The road ahead is long; the climbs are still steep, let us overcome the hurdle ahead and enjoy the fruits of success later. I'm looking forward to your return to St. Kitts and Nevis upon your graduation with shining and brand new degrees," said Ambassador Tsao.

## My thoughts for Today

We cannot embrace that which does not exist. The Unity that you seek is an illusion, a hopeless dream. It is far more constructive and productive to embrace that which does exist - disunity and division, and find ways to accommodate them.

The very idea of 'Unity' is anathema to a pluralist society- it may as well be a dictatorship for it conjures up an image of conformity and unicellular oneness. 'Unity' does not reflect the rich divergences that exist in such an open society- it is more representative of closed institutions and even there it takes force and other measures to enforce.

You say that Unity is not a destination but a journey, but is not the Unity you seek a goal and is not a goal a destination? If it is not a destination then where does the journey lead to? Nowhere!

You then asked who does not want Unity? But we don't always get what we want. I would love to live forever but I know it just won't happen so I make the best of what time I am given.

Let us be realistic- the people will never unite- not Kittitians with Kittitians, Nevisians with Nevisians or Kittitians with Nevisians. Heck, I do not know one country in the whole world where the people are united. The idea that if the politicians get together and form one political party it will unite the people is not only ludicrous, it borders on insanity and anyone who believes that should visit my office immediately and apply for admittance to de Asylum.

As to PAM's accommodation of the two Labour defectors being portrayed as an example of Unity is laughable. What PAM should be doing as the main opposition Party is not to lie in bed with traitors and defectors but to find ways to benefit from their treachery.

They already have two seats which appear secure. They have now been given the golden opportunity to win another two seats by benefiting

## Local Vendors Ready To Take On CPL In August corrected

Basseterre, St. Kitts, (SKNIS): Local organizers and sponsors of major regional cricket tournament Caribbean Premier League (CPL) are wrapping up final arrangements for hosting the semi-finals and finals in St. Kitts and Nevis.

Most recently, about 30 local vendors have been approved to do business on the grounds of the Warner Park Cricket Stadium and tickets have already gone on sale, says Vernon Springer, Senior Sports Officer.

"Over 30 vendors have signed up so far. That in itself is remarkable. So you understand the importance for folks who have made sure they are latched on to this opportunity", said Springer.

Vendors have been briefed on their regulations including

assigned locations and a restriction on sale of alcohol. In addition to vendor preparations, the local organizing committee is finalizing key arrangements to accommodate the anticipated high volume of attendance.

Springer said it was the federation's prime infrastructural qualities and a demonstrated superior organizational skill that led to its selection to host the most anticipated games of the series, the finals and semi-finals, attracting an approximate viewership of 45 million.

"The government has invested over US\$4 million on infrastructural developments at the stadium. This includes the newly built lights, which are the best in the world, as well as a new jumbotron, which is a video scoreboard, which is a 44x22 foot high definition screen. There are only 5 of these in the world; 2 in



*Senior Sports Officer, Vernon Springer points out some of the recent infrastructural developments made to the Warner park Cricket Stadium.*

India, 1 in South Africa, 1 in Australia and the other one here, in St. Kitts. So that was a great selling point."

The tournament will begin officially on July 11. The games will begin in St. Kitts on August 7th granting the federation the coveted privilege of hosting the semi-finals and finals beginning August 13 and ending on August 16th.

from the split Labour voters in constituencies 3 and 7. So why have they decided to abandon their responsibilities as the main protector of democracy by pursuing this Unity pipe-dream? Is the Party hell bent on committing Hari-kari?



## By Vigilante

- De walls of Jericho in Nevis are tumbling down fast on de CCM misleaders. And de big mouth fellow is putting all de blame on de big man.
- All de talk all over de country (Nevis) is about de US\$1.5 million and de action taken by de bank there to clear up de situation. And dey say if you dare ask a question about de money or watch a CCM minister too hard you get a lawyer letter to shut you up.
- Nevis people want to know how dem CCM fellows could throw dey own CCM people under de bus like that, especially de young lady who is widely regarded in Nevis as CCM's Facebook bully and one of de NRP's biggest basher.
- But some people close to her say, she done say she ain going tek no jail for nobody. She going talk everything she know. If she going dung, guess who going dung wid her.
- Dey say since de big scandal break in Nevis, Terry and all de corruption experts dem in de Unity Concoction get a doze of hush. But is shame dey shame for dey dare not criticize or offend their Unity partners across de waters. Not even de red hog or de octogenarian Rescue Crew deputy got a word to say. Dey all got "chickengonia" in dey mouth.
- Dey say de US\$1.5m was for de campaign. Dat is why de cabinet aint distance dey self from it. People want to know if is so dey was doing all de time and if dey musn't check de rearbin hog family to see if he was doing tings too.
- De US\$1.5 million scandal in Nevis has put de Marriott man under plenty pressure and the polls are showing that more and more people in constituency 4 are withdrawing the support from him and PAM, and they will be voting for the Hon. Glenn "Ghost" Phillip whenever Dougie rings de bell.
- People want to know how de unity gang could be do desperate to use a notorious character like de Cayon ex convict as dey lead spokesman on all de talk shows, paying his phone bills and paying him handsomely to do all their dutty work as dey (PAM) did wid de Courageous criminal from Ottleys/Lodge many years ago.
- People want to know how de rearbin hog could accuse people of "playing politics" in church when he is de king of it. They want to know if he forget all de ton load ah politics he put dung in Pastor Jones' Church, when he used all dem crocodile tears say he asking for forgiveness for all de wickedness he done do de pastor and other PAM supporters in de constituency and he went from church to church spreading his "unity politics" and begging people to vote for him as de next Prime Minister.
- Dey say de moomoo hog advertise to de world dat he having a "Barbecue With a Difference" last week Friday. Dey say de momma hog foot swell up how she stay up for two weeks seasoning 50 case of chicken, ribs and fish. Dey say she order a special kind of Japanese barbecue sauce from St. Martin and de rearbin hog is who bring it up for dem. When you look, not a soul went to de barbecue.
- Dey say not even she new found family put foot. But through is de rearbin hog who did bring up de special sauce for dem, he get all de food to share up for he and he family. But dey say is de rearbin hog who bad talk him and de barbecue so dat nobody could go and he could get all de food.
- People in de know say dat de rearbin hog rush went St. Martin to buy a container full of Netherlands orange shirt to sell in St. Kitts. But through de team get knock out earlier dan he did expect, nobody in St. Kitts did want de shirt dem again. Dey say de shirt dem lock in de moomoo hog container till when Dougie ring de bell.
- Dey say de mike tief bawl like a child to he campaign manager in de bus when he see how everybody look like dey "ketch de Drew".
- Dey say he tell him dat he don't know what else to do. He know he nearly 65. He was one of de Force 10 who use to terrorise Labour people. He try to be a bad man and threaten to bruk up meeting and nearly get bruk up. He walk up and dung town in he short pants and hard shoes trying to look young and all people tell him is dat he foot dem hard, hard and want creaming. Dey say de bus man tell him dat he mus put back on he shorts. He gon buy some cream for him.
- Dey say poor "he" is under so much stress, since he find out from de polls dat he going lose he seat; he was caught red handed wid he mouth in de cookie jar, when de bailiff catch up wid him on de road de other day in de back ah de car wid "he boys" dem.
- De Sherriff is in plenty trouble wid de new NRP candidate in Nevis 9, the Hon. Roberto Hector. Plenty blows for him next election.

# Caribbean Leaders Throw Full Support Behind St. Kitts And Nevis' Citizenship By Investment Programme

BASSETERRE, ST. KITTS, (CUOPM) Caribbean leaders have thrown their full support behind St. Kitts and Nevis' Citizenship and Investment Programme and have given high commendation for the on-going work in strengthening the legal, regulatory and administrative framework governing the CIP to ensure that it exceeds international standards.

In a statement at the just concluded 35th Regular Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government, the communiqué said the leaders received a report from the Prime Minister of St. Kitts and Nevis, the Right Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas, with respect to the Citizenship by Investment Programme (CIP) undertaken by the twin-island Federation.

"They commended St. Kitts and Nevis for its recent economic performance, while acknowledging the importance of such programmes in improving the fiscal position of some Member States at a time of acute economic and financial stress thereby assisting



*St. Kitts and Nevis' Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. Dr. Denzil L. Douglas and Head of the Citizenship by Investment Unit, Mrs. Cheryleanne Pemberton at a meeting of service providers.*

(photo by Erasmus Williams)

in maintaining their development efforts," the statement said.

It added that Heads of Government emphasised their strong support for the efforts of St. Kitts and Nevis to enhance its regulatory regime in relation to its CIP, fully cognisant of the need to adhere to the most rigorous international standards to safeguard the integrity of the country and the Programme.

"Heads of Government urged all countries engaging in such a programme to co-operate and co-ordinate their regulatory systems with respect to both the CIP and to financial services generally given the imperative of enhancing the security of the Region while ensuring the protection and expansion of their revenue base," said the statement.

## Letter to the Editor

### No Room For Discrimination

#### Mr. Editor:

A few years ago, the Democrat Newspaper, the mouthpiece of PAM, referred to a former Minister of Government as P W Botha.

Many persons will recall that P W Botha was a former President of South Africa during the Apartheid era, who hated Blacks with a passion and who had said that he does not pretend like other Whites that he likes Blacks.

Of Course P W Botha's action and philosophy met serious challenges worldwide to the point where he became a very lonely man with his racist philosophy much like our local P W Botha whom the planterclass/oligarchs have

refused to associate with and who continues to spout his racist statements against the Rt. Hon Prime Minister Dr Denzil L Douglas, a true visionary who has transformed our Federation's economy in so many positive ways that we have become the leading economy in the entire OECS and of course, number three in the entire Caricom.

Even Caricom leaders are constantly applauding the Rt. Hon Dr Denzil L Douglas, our Prime Minister for the marvellous job he has been doing in transforming our economy positively.

However our local Botha filled with spite and hatred against the ordinary citizen of this country even started attacking any notable Black folks who endorse the wonderful transformation of our economy that they have witnessed over the years.

His latest attack is on the electorates, who have thrown their full support behind the Rt. Hon Dr Denzil L Douglas, our beloved Prime Minister.

This prophet of gloom and doom continues to insult the working class and middle class persons of Civil Society. Our Local Botha will continue to travel a very lonely road because our Federation has no room for discrimination or his racist comments.

## Editorial

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was our single greatest challenge. Hard on the heel of this came the global recession in 2008. Our Labour government led us very skillfully through it all. Today we have a thriving new, services based economy. Our recent home-grown programme entered into with the IMF was completed with a huge measure of success. We are now the envy of many other countries around the globe.

As we have said before, we are fortunate to have Dr the Rt. Hon Denzil Douglas as our national leader at this time. He is indeed a "Man and A Leader Fit For The Times". Under his leadership and steerage of the ship-of-state we have regained our place of honour and respect in the regional and international communities. Once again we are leaders and not just followers.

Labour has succeeded in attracting highly impressive new talent to

our team, and our future is indeed bright. Let us continue to give thanks to our Almighty Father for his many mercies and kindnesses, for bringing us through the troubled times and for THE SOLID ACCOMPLISHMENTS of past nineteen years. Let us remain mindful of all these things and fully supportive of our leader and his team as we gird ourselves for the political contest ahead.

We remain fully confident of our leaders, and we remain

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