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REOPENING BORDERS: CAYMAN CAUTIOUSLY STEPS FORWARD

“Cayman is probably in the most enviable position in the world when it comes to managing COVID-19 pandemic.”

That assertion by Hon. Premier Alden McLaughlin came as he announced the newest series of changes to the current restrictions as Cayman works its way back to normality.

The territory will now remain at Level 2 Minimal Suppression until September 30th which is in line with the date for the first phase of the reopening of the borders. That was deferred to October 1st from the initial target date of September 1st.

However, the ultimate Level 1 All Clear state remains a distant prospect especially as when and how to reopen the borders is still being planned and debated.

Mr McLaughlin said the issue is “exercising the minds of the government right across almost every department” and that “a massive team of people is looking at all of the possible permutations of this - what can and what cannot be done.”

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Acknowledging that it is a contentious issue, the Premier said:

“Everyone is keenly interested in the reopening of the borders. Some vehemently opposed to such a thing - even to contemplate such a thing and others are anxious that we do whatever we can

to get some tourism business back here and also to allow our own people to be able to travel and return more freely than is currently the case.”

Prior to the phased reopening of the borders to international flights on October 1st, a previously-announced system of pre-screening and monitoring persons arriving will be trialled with a British Airways flight scheduled to arrive on September 17th.

Critical to this will be the introduction of a wearable health-monitoring device called a bio-button whilst in isolation whether in a government-run facility or in their own property, and be monitored by a medical team.

“We have concluded that there is no one measure that can effectively do that. And so the plan must necessarily involve a layer of protocols to ensure that we reduce as close to zero as possible the chances of someone who has the virus actually getting out and mixing with the broader community,” he said.

‘BIO-BUTTONS’ and ‘GEO-FENCING’

As explained by the Premier, the system which is still being finalised includes; the participants taking a test at their overseas destination 72 hours before departure.

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► Hon. Premier Alden McLaughlin

2020 School Conference held in the Brac

On Friday 19th August, teachers across the sister islands congregated at the auditorium of the Layman E Scott Senior High School on Cayman Brac for the annual back to school conference.

Just after 9:30 the Ag, SSIO for the sister islands Mr. Adrian Jones got proceedings underway. “To-

day, we are extremely grateful to Almighty God for His protection over these past few months. With His help we have been able to navigate this pandemic but still need to be vigilant. Our govern-

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Many Filipinos working abroad are returning home



► Many Filipinos working abroad are returning home

Residents of the Philippines rely heavily on remittances from abroad, including countries like the Cayman Islands, but because of the global pandemic, many have seen that invaluable income decline.

There has been a drastic downturn in the remittances of overseas Filipino workers (OFWs), long a lifeline of the

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ECONOMY AND DP BILL COMPETE FOR PRIORITY

With plans now being fine-tuned for a phased re-opening of Cayman's borders to international visitors, the broader economic implications and other underlying issues are creeping to the surface.

Giving an overview of the plans as they are evolving, Hon. Premier Alden McLaughlin emphasised that "we can't stay static, we have to find ways of boosting revenue, employment opportunities, and keeping the economy moving."

These themes were echoed at the recently held Chamber of Commerce 3rd Annual Economic Summit where government ministers gave broad outlines of the plans being considered, amidst repeated calls for specifics.

Mr McLaughlin sought to allay those worries by flagging up that the government was doing "a lot of exciting things in terms of measures to help the economy, help businesses and to increase employment."

He hinted that "by next week we should have some of those at a state of readiness where we can have another press conference and talk in more detail about those."

This week's event was the first government press conference in a month (but it ended abruptly due to technical problems).

The Premier had further teased that upcoming announcements next week include; "a significant increase in grant money to businesses, a new loan scheme which the government has been negotiating with local banks to give access to local businesses as well as a number of other things such as the new Global Citizen tourism programme."

He also disclosed that a standby "substantial line of credit" for the government with a consortium of local banks was also close to being finalised.

He said it would give the government "a safety net to get through quite frankly to the end of next year, if that what it takes."

Although he did not state the exact figure being negotiated, when the loan issued was first announced by the Hon. Minister of Finance Roy McTaggart, the amount stated was C\$500 million.

"I think within the next two weeks that we are going to be making some very exciting announcements and that most people will be very happy," Mr McLaughlin promoted.



► Hon. Premier Alden McLaughlin

has exercised many and split the community.

But he affirmed: "We have gotten on with the business of government".

The moment was seized upon by Hon. Minister of Health Dwayne Seymour, an independent coalition partner in Premier McLaughlin's People's Progressive Movement (PPM)-led government.

Mr Seymour, one of the cabinet members who had opposed the controversial Domestic Partnership Bill (on an agreed conscience vote), pledged his support for the Premier during the press conference.

He had based his opposition to the same-sex civic union bill on his Christian beliefs.

"I am not afraid to publicly express my love for God and I'm also not afraid to express my support for the coalition government and the Premier," Mr Seymour avowed.

"Yes, we've had our differences over the DPB (Domestic Partnership Bill), I won't hide from it," he said, but added, "I did what God and the people wanted me to do."

Mr Seymour continued: "Now, we have a lot of work to do for this country" and he stressed, "I'm up to the task, never wondering whether someone on earth would give me credit for the wisdom God imparts to me daily but is satisfied in waiting for my reward in heaven."

With a wry smile and whimsical jab back at the Premier, Mr Seymour countered: "Although the Premier took a cheap shot, I would say sarcastically, about the coup, hahaha," he chuckled, "as a sprinter, it missed me and went over my head."

"I will have no part of any coup just to make it clear. Premier knows he has my support and the team know they have my support," the Health Minister declared.

Although he did not address the issue during the prematurely-ended press conference, HE Governor Martyn Roper is set to unilaterally enact the bill into law on September 1st under his Reserve Constitutional powers after it was voted down in the Legislative Assembly.

The Governor had said he would conduct public consultation during this period prior to the bill becoming law.

With elections scheduled to be held by May next year, the Domestic Partnership issue and economic management during the COVID-pandemic are already shaping up to be among the central platform topics.

The government has generally been praised for its handling of the public health aspect of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The DP bill in particular has triggered debate about the Cayman Islands constitutional ties to the UK, the powers of the Governor, and has rekindled talk of independence. 🌐

DP BILL EXERCISES CAYMAN PUBLIC

In a reference to issues which have been topping the social and political discourse since the last press conference, Premier McLaughlin quipped:

"We may have had to be dealing with things like the Domestic Partnership Bill, and even attempted coups (a reference to reports of disquiet within his Unity Government over the controversial Domestic Partnership Bill)" which



► Hon. Minister of Health Dwayne Seymour

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Registry Counter Partially Reopens to the Public

As of Monday, 24 August, General Registry will resume certain services for the public at its Government Administration Building counter.

From Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm, the public will again be able to visit General Registry's counter, in person, to:

(a) File records on the Public Records register such as deed polls, bills of sales, and debentures;

(b) register newborns; and

(c) collect birth, death, and marriage certificates ordered online.

In line with current COVID-19 protocols, persons visiting the counter are to maintain social distancing of six feet between persons not of the same household, and to wear masks at all times.



Birth, death and marriage certificates must still be ordered and paid for online via www.vitals.ky and persons will be notified via email when the certificates are ready for collection at the counter.

Queries related to these activities can be emailed to cigenreg@gov.ky. For general information during business hours, persons can call 946-7922 or 244-3405. 🌐

CXC Education Volunteer Programme Registration

The CXC Education Volunteer Programme began in 2003 in an attempt to provide a second chance at an education, free of charge to members of the general public and at the same time to share our faith in Jesus Christ. The Motto is: *Through Christ, I can.*

Registration is being done electronically at www.cxcvolunteer.ky. The opening orientation and information session for this academic year is set for **September 6th at 3pm on ZOOM** <https://interamerica.zoom.us/j/91984751076?pwd=QIZGMGpwM1hHUE1FdEhVWER3eFRGdz09> Meeting ID: 919 8475 1076; Passcode: CXC GO.

Classes begin on **September 13th**. English Language and Mathematics are offered at the basic, intermediate and exam levels. Caribbean History, Principles of Business, Principles of Accounts, Social Studies and Human and Social Biology are offered at the intermediate and exam levels. Other subjects include: Literature, Introduction to Computers, EDPM, Literacy, Spanish, English for Speakers of other



Languages (ESOL), Physics, Chemistry, Home Management and Food and Nutrition. Practical subjects include Dress Making and Cosmetology.

To access the class schedule, please visit www.cxcvolunteer.ky.

Volunteer teachers are welcome in all subject areas. Students are required to pay a non-refundable \$100 at registration to cover the costs of running the programme for the year. There are no costs per subject and so students can do as many as they can realistically manage.

For more information visit: www.cxcvolunteer.ky or call Dr. L. Smith 916-6462 or Mrs. M. McGaw 936-6222 🌐

COVID-19 DASHBOARD

COVID-19 Testing Update 26 August 2020

The Chief Medical Officer, Dr John Lee, reports 127 COVID-19 tests have been carried out since this was last reported on Tuesday, 24 August. All were negative.

The total number of people in isolation, either at a government facility or in their homes as required by the Medical Officer of Health, is currently 179. 🌐

Cayman Islands COVID-19 Dashboard

0
Today's confirmed cases

202
Recovered*

205
Total confirmed cases

34,815
Tested

1
Death

23,979,121
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AS AT: 26 AUGUST 2020, 3PM

*A person who initially tested positive and who has subsequently tested negative for the COVID-19 virus in two tests done at least 24 hours apart 14 days after their positive test, or after their symptoms have gone away, whichever is longer.



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Laura lashes Cayman, but little damage reported

By Christopher Tobutt

On Monday 24 August, Tropical Storm Laura did her worst. While the seas looked angry around Grand Cayman, there appeared to be little damage, but an official Tropical Storm Warning was issued by the Cayman National Weather Service for the sister islands on August 23 because they are much closer to the storm's path, which was moving west-northwestwards along the coast of central Cuba.

On the Sister Islands the warning included anticipation of two to six inches of rain, and residents were told to take necessary precautions in case of flooding, especially of low-lying areas. Owners of marine vessels were asked to take them into safe harbor, with very rough and dangerous seas around the Sister Islands and waves as high as 8ft tall, and winds as high as 60 miles per hour. Cayman Brac's Layman E Scott Sr. High School did not open on Monday, when

they had been scheduled to hold a orientation meeting for some of the school's students, because of the storm warning.

It was forecast Laura would strengthen into a hurricane by Tuesday, when it would reach the southeastern Gulf of Mexico, and leaving plenty of rain and wind and rough seas in its wake. Monday morning on Grand Cayman started with a loud thunderstorm, and then an unusual series of very rapid flashes, but without thunder, just as dawn was nearing. There was plenty of rain, and lots of cold, shivery weather, and the National Weather Centre warned of disruptions to business and transport. While the seas looked angry and dramatic in George Town, and areas had been taped off, there was little sign of damage.

"Over Grand Cayman, conditions are expected to be bit more subdued with Tropical Storm Laura passes about 142 miles north-northeast of Grand Cayman. The winds direction is expected to be the southwesterly at 15 to 20 knots



► Laura lashed the harbor, and downtown George Town

with higher becoming southerly 15 to 20 knots by evening and southeasterly 10 to 15 knots later tonight. Higher gusts are also likely in and around heavy showers. Rainfall estimates for Grand Cayman suggest accumulations of 1 to 3 inches are likely through tomorrow morning. Showers may be locally heavy

at times," a statement from the National Weather Centre said.

In Grand Cayman, The Port Authority was thoroughly prepared and Laura held no surprises. Port Director Joseph Woods said, through a spokesperson, "We saw the weather coming in from the last few days so we prepared for it, and everything is OK and nothing has gone wrong. When this weather passes we will set back up and in the meantime, all our facilities remain open."

A statement from the National Hurricane Centre said, "Strengthening is expected when the storm moves over the Gulf of Mexico, and Laura is forecast to become a hurricane on Tuesday, with additional strengthening forecast on Wednesday."

Laura caused the deaths of 11 people when it passed over the Dominican Republic and Haiti, causing devastation as it downed power lines and produced flooding. 🌊



► Stormy waves hit George Town



► Dramatic seas, at Smith Barcadere

CAYMAN CAUTIOUSLY STEPS TOWARDS REOPENING BORDERS

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If negative, they will travel and be admitted into Cayman after receiving a bio-button which will monitor vitals ("how many times you cough, how many times you sneeze") as well as respiration and temperature.

They will also get a 'geo-fencing' tracking device "that will give the authorities the ability to know whether or not you have exceeded the perimeter of the place at which you are isolating".

A further PCR virus test will be done eight days after arrival to complete the screening process.

To ensure that this elaborate system works effectively, the government will be putting more resources into the Public Health Unit which will be "significantly beefed up" as Mr McLaughlin described it.

A government statement says: "Based on the results, further refinements will be done to the programme and a second trial will begin on 1st October when the borders initially open in a phased manner to a relatively small number of people. It should be borne in mind that before anyone can enter the Cayman Islands from overseas they must receive the approval of Travel Time."

PRECAUTIONARY STEPS

It was also stressed by Premier McLaughlin that the precautionary steps being taken around the reopening of the borders "was not a question of us opening wide and saying all you who want to come and visit a beautiful Caribbean island, please come."

He said the first phase of the reopening is aimed at "those people who either own a place here or have access to a place here and who intend to stay for significantly more than two weeks" - an indication of the more high net-worth tourist that Cayman will be targeting in a post-COVID tourism drive.

The average tourist visit to Cayman is between five and seven days.

AIR-BRIDGE ENDING

Meanwhile, HE Governor Martyn Roper observed that "The Cayman Islands, as of now, has effectively eliminated the virus from the Islands, one of very few countries that can say that."

"I strongly support the lifting of so many of the remaining restrictions - making masks optional, no need for physical distancing and gathering of up to 250 allowed", Mr Roper said, "all of which reflect the excellent progress made locally."

But he reminded: "Yet there is need to remain vigilant and alert and be ready

to re-impose restrictions if they become required."

The Governor's Office which has been coordinating the repatriation fights will soon hand that responsibility over to the new government agency TravelTime.

In the interim, Governor Roper announced that arrangements with British Airways for the next few months include a BA flight arriving on Thursday, 27 August from the UK bringing in around 150 Caymanians, Permanent Residents and work permit holders who will spend two weeks in a Government quarantine facility.

The final British Airways air-bridge will depart Cayman for London on Friday.

The flight will be full and is predominantly for students travelling to start school and university in the UK and their families.

The Governor reported that "this will be the final air bridge that my office will organise having worked on a total number of eight return air-bridge flights.

"Since the beginning of April, the flights have enabled a multitude of nationalities to travel home, some in desperate need. Over 2,600 passengers have travelled on the air bridges, two of which went to the Philippines and one to India. We've also supported our neighbours by using the flights to help transport passengers to and from TCI, BVI and The Bahamas."

Under the new arrangements, British Airways will introduce a regular fortnightly service to London Heathrow starting September 17th which will be kept under review until normal service can be resumed.

That flight will also be a test run for new COVID screening system for visitors arriving in Cayman when the borders are initially opened on October 1st.

STAY ALERT

Hon. Minister of Health, Dwayne Seymour, announced that starting September 1st free COVID 19 testing will be available at the old 'flu clinic' by appointment only which can be booked online.

He is urging residents to avail themselves of this opportunity.

At the same time, the Health Minister is urging the public to stay alert despite the encouraging news about how the virus is being suppressed in Cayman.

Commenting on the plans for the reopening of the borders, Mr Seymour remarked: "In one sense some would say that we have missed business opportunities but here in the Cayman Islands we would rather say we are COVID-free."

"We have waited a long time to reopen and therefore we should not get it wrong when we do open up as we have

watched the mistakes with most opening and then closing because of a spike," he cautioned. 🌊

THANK YOU & CONGRATS!

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QUESTION OF WEEK 1 SOLUTION

The Fibonacci Sequence

F₃ = 2, F₄ = 3, F₅ = 5, F₆ = 8, F₇ = 13, F₈ = 21, F₉ = 34 and F₁₀ = 55.

(i) We have F_i = F_{i-1} + F_{i-2} and, as long as i ≥ 4, we have F_{i-2} < F_{i-1} (when i = 3 we have equality as F₁ = F₂). Hence we have F_i < 2F_{i-1} and so $\frac{1}{F_i} > \frac{1}{2F_{i-1}}$. We also have $\frac{1}{F_{i-1}} > \frac{1}{2F_{i-2}}$ (if i ≥ 5) and so $\frac{1}{F_i} > \frac{1}{4F_{i-2}}$ etc.

We now have:

$$S = \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{F_4} + \frac{1}{F_5} + \frac{1}{F_6} + \dots$$

$$S > \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{2F_3} + \frac{1}{2F_4} + \frac{1}{2F_5} + \dots$$

$$S > \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{2F_3} + \frac{1}{4F_3} + \frac{1}{8F_3} + \dots$$

$$S > \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots\right)$$

Using the values of F₁, F₂, F₃ and the sum of an infinite GP gives us:

$$S > 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 3.$$

In a similar way to above we have F_i > 2F_{i-2} (for i ≥ 4) and so $\frac{1}{F_i} < \frac{1}{2F_{i-2}}$. This is slightly different to before as you have to split up odd and even terms.

$$S = \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{F_4} + \frac{1}{F_5} + \frac{1}{F_6} + \dots$$

$$S = \left(\frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{F_4} + \frac{1}{F_6} + \frac{1}{F_8} + \dots\right) + \left(\frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{F_5} + \frac{1}{F_7} + \dots\right)$$

$$S < \left(\frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{F_4} + \frac{1}{2F_4} + \frac{1}{4F_4} + \dots\right) + \left(\frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{2F_3} + \frac{1}{4F_3} + \dots\right)$$

$$S < 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{3} \times 2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 3\frac{2}{3}$$

(ii) For this part, use the same approach but take more terms before using the geometric series.

$$S = \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{F_4} + \frac{1}{F_5} + \frac{1}{F_6} + \dots$$

$$S > \frac{1}{F_1} + \frac{1}{F_2} + \frac{1}{F_3} + \frac{1}{F_4} + \frac{1}{F_5} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots\right)$$

$$S > 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} \times 2 = 1 + 1 + \frac{37}{30}$$

Hence $S > 3\frac{7}{30} > 3\frac{6}{30} = 3.2$



MASK-WEARING REQUIREMENT RELAXED

The requirement to wear masks in public is being relaxed in Cayman.

Chief Medical Officer, Dr John Lee said with Cayman having screened around half of the population and no evidence found of COVID-19 spreading in the community, the regulations on mask-wearing and social distancing are now being eased.

He described as "a really great place to be".

"It's only with the public co-operation that we've been able to burn the virus out," the CMO stated.

While wearing a mask is now not an absolute requirement, Dr Lee however advised that "people wishing to wear a mask can choose to do so and should particularly consider doing so when you are interacting with the elderly and vulnerable."

He said there are certain conditions in which masks might be mandated "such as on public transport and in certain establishments such as prisons airports, care homes and healthcare facilities."

Employers may choose to request their staff to wear masks and other PPE

equipment but cannot refuse a person entry if they are not wearing a mask.

Regarding children wearing masks, an issue around which there has been some discussion, Dr Lee announced that the regulations have now been changed.

"I now feel free to say that I don't believe children under 10 should have to wear a mask in counterspies where COVID is well controlled and that includes Cayman."

Reporting on the latest COVID-19 PCR test results, the CMO said of the 216 tests done in the last 24 hours all returned negative.

Two people who were recently confirmed as COVID-19 positive remain in isolation. In all, the number of cases which have been confirmed in Cayman remains at 205 of which 202 have recovered.

There are 147 persons being monitored in government isolation.

Meanwhile, antibody testing continues with 2,402 of 3.7% of the population tested. Of that number, 58 persons have shown antibodies, 37 are people who are known to have been positive for the virus, six are people who are known to have had contact with previous COVID-positive persons, seven have had a travel history, and nine have no history identified.

Speaking on the extensive testing being done in Cayman, Dr Lee noted that the territory continues to maintain its strong position in the global response to the disease.

"Cayman is not the same as many other countries when we report these figures because we know that we have screened the equivalent of 50% of the population which not, many other countries in the world are able to say."

He said this means that "we can be more confident with the results when we present them to you."

The relaxation on wearing masks in public comes as more of the general suppression measures are being rolled back, although Cayman will remain at Level 2 Suppression until September 30th.

Commenting on the new set of relaxed measures as a step closer to normality, the CMO reminded that the COVID threat was still hovering.

"We've released almost all of the restrictions and the gatherings have gone up to 250 persons," Dr Lee said.



► Chief Medical Officer, Dr John Lee

But he added: "I guess that reflects our reluctance to say we are absolutely free. That tiny threat is still there."

In addition to mask-wearing now being more optional in many situations, other restrictions being lifted include the number of persons gathering for a variety of specific purposes, including on boats, moving from 50 to 250.

Travel between the islands has also been loosed up further.

Anyone can now travel between by air or boat without being tested for the virus on condition that they've been in the jurisdiction for at least 14 days prior to the date of travel.

They must also not be showing any respiratory symptoms or symptoms of the virus.

A person who has been in the jurisdiction for less than two weeks is must obtain official permission within two days before travelling, plus have a negative COVID-19 test.

Fines of up to CI\$1,000 and a prison sentence can be imposed.

Links to the new regulations:

PARTIAL LIFTING OF GENERAL RESTRICTIONS - <http://gazettes.gov.ky/portal/pls/portal/docs/1/13000490.PDF>

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CUC Employees Support NAU during COVID-19 Pandemic

Employees of Caribbean Utilities Company, Ltd. (CUC) have agreed to help those less fortunate in the Grand Cayman community.

The employees have authorised for monthly deductions from their salaries to be donated to the Needs Assessment Unit (NAU).

The "Because We Care" employee initiative was created to allow CUC employees to assist families in need, particularly those whose finances have been negatively impacted due to COVID-19. The initiative is CUC's own version of the recent "CIG Cares" initiative where civil servants opt-in for monthly payroll deductions to help local families in need of financial assistance.

The "Because We Care" initiative will work in partnership with the Ministry of Community Affairs and the NAU that assist several families who are in need. Each month the Company will provide a cheque to the NAU until December 2020.

Pat Bynoe-Clarke, Manager Corporate Communications, stated that, "The employees at CUC are always looking for ways

to help those less fortunate. The "Because We Care" initiative provided an opportunity for us to give-up a portion our salaries so that persons less fortunate than ourselves can benefit. COVID -19 has impacted all of us, but those of us who can give back are happy to do so. Initiatives of this nature reflect the 'Cayman Kind' which we at CUC find important to be a part of."

Ms. Tamara Hurlston, Director of NAU expressed her satisfaction with such initiatives like this one. She stated that, "As a country, we all have a social responsibility to assist our fellowmen by uplifting one another and providing financial and other support. I encourage other corporations and individuals to follow the lead of the CUC by assisting those in need who continue to be impacted by COVID-19 and other financial challenges."

The "Because We Care" Initiative commenced on July 2020 and will continue until the end of December 2020. Employees are encouraged to donate whatever they can afford each month towards this worthy cause.



► The Ministry of Community Affairs Deputy Chief Officer, Ms. Joan West-Dacres (left), who is leading the Needs Assessment Unit (NAU) during the COVID-19 pandemic, accepting the first cheque from CUC's Kyle Mowbray

OfReg seeks input on its draft administrative determination on its final Proposed Consumer Protection Regulations (Fuel Sector)

The Utility Regulation and Competition Office (OfReg) is seeking input on its draft administrative determination on its final set of Proposed Consumer Protection Regulations (Fuels sector). OfReg considers that it is in the interest of the public to regulate the terms and conditions under which services and products in relation to the fuels sector are provided by prescribing quality standards. This will ensure those services and products are provided in accordance with the standards reasonably expected of competent Licensees and Permit Holders operating in the Fuels Sector.

OfReg launched its public FS 2019 - 1 - Consultation on 30 July 2019 and closed on 13 September 2019. The purpose of the consultation paper was to seek the views of operators, the general public, and other interested parties, re-

garding the draft Consumer Protection Regulations (Fuels sector).

As a result of the consultation, submissions were received from Caribbean Utilities Company, Rubis Cayman Islands Ltd, Sol Petroleum Cayman Ltd and two private individuals. After reviewing the responses from the above entities, OfReg prepared its draft administrative determination and is seeking further input from the public.

Section 5(1)(c) of the Fuel Market Regulation Law, 2017 ('the FMR Law') provides that one of OfReg's functions in relation to the fuel sector is to "to promote consumer protection in the fuel sector".

Section 7(1) of the URC Law requires OfReg, before issuing an administrative determination which in the reasonable opinion of the Office is of public significance, "... to allow persons with sufficient

interest or who are likely to be affected a reasonable opportunity to comment on the draft administrative determination."

It is OfReg's position that it retains the right to propose amendments to the Regulations when appropriate but not so frequent so as to render the consumer protection framework arbitrary, but in any event only after consultation.

The main objective of the final set of Proposed Consumer Protection Regulations is to outline the protocols and rules which Sectoral Participants should adhere to when interacting with and serving consumers in the Cayman Islands in relation to the fuel sector. The draft administrative determination can be viewed at www.ofreg.ky. All interested persons will have until 22nd September 2020 to submit their views to OfReg via email at consultations@ofreg.ky, mail or courier.



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Batabano launches series of fundraising events

Soca Staycation events slated for Sept. 4th & 5th in East End

Across the Cayman Islands, entertainment has been returning in various ways that residents have embraced as a necessary part of the country's phased return to normalcy following the COVID-19 lockdown. Now, they can also enjoy a series of fundraising events hosted by the Batabano Committee.

Dubbed "Bacchanalia", the series launches with a weekend of fundraising events at The Cottages in East End – a Beach Bonfire called "Catch a Fyah" from 8pm to Midnight on Friday September 4th, and a Beach BBQ called "Sun, Sand and Soca" from 12 Noon on Saturday September 5th.

"The Bacchanalia series of events is one of the many ways Batabano will continue to unite people who love Soca music, the spirit of carnival, and just being outdoors together enjoying the beauty of our islands," said Batabano Chairperson Donna Myrie-Stephen, adding that proceeds from these non-profit fundraising events will go towards next year's Batabano carnival events and parade. "The pandemic may have postponed our usu-

al carnival celebrations, but our carnival spirit is alive and well so we're looking forward to reconnecting with everyone and celebrating life."

The "Catch A Fyah" Bonfire event follows the popular "Bring Your Own Bottle (BYOB)" cooler fete format (sodas and water will be on sale), with Jerk Chicken by Jerk King Jamion on sale for \$10. Music will be by popular local entertainers Sound Revolution, DJ Fross, and guest DJ Doctor B. The Bonfire lights up the night at 8pm and ends at Midnight on the beach at The Cottages.

For "Sun, Sand, and Soca", patrons can sink their feet in the sand from 12 Noon on the beach at The Cottages. On the turntables will be DJ Fross, Sound Revolution, and guest DJ's Doctor B and DJ Lano. BBQ will be on sale for \$10, as will sodas and water. This is also a "cooler fete" for-



mat so "Bring Your Own Bottle (BYOB)". Tickets will also be on sale for an exciting raffle throughout the day, with the following prizes up for grabs: an Executive Health Check at Health City (valued at CI\$699); bottles of champagne; an Annual Powerhouse Gym Membership (valued at CI\$550); an exclusive private shopping Experience at Le Classique (valued at CI\$500); plus more. Also on sale will be limited edition Batabano signature T-shirts and Tank Tops.

Tickets for "Catch a Fyah" and the "Sun, Sand, and Soca" are just \$25 each and are now available for purchase online at EventPro. Tickets are limited for each event per regulations for public gatherings, and no tickets will be avail-

able at the gate. Ticket-holders are encouraged to make it a staycation weekend in beautiful East End. Rooms at The Cottages are already sold out but rooms are still available at The Morritts which is a stone's throw away and are offering great weekend staycation rates.

These non-profit fundraising events are being made possible thanks to the support of the following sponsors: GEL Wholesale and Pepsi; Island Supply; Le Classique Shoe and Leather Boutique; Kings Powerhouse Gym; Health City Cayman; B Creativ; and Prodigy Jewelers. Sponsorship opportunities are still available for these events and for next year's Batabano events and parade. Businesses can email Mrs. Myrie directly at classy@candw.ky.

The next in this series of fundraising events will be a New Year's Eve celebration at a private, but exquisite, location. Details to be announced at a later date. 🌐

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School Conference Held in the Brac

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ment must be thanked for their sterling efforts. We offer condolences to the family of Bonnie Bodden who died during this time. To our teachers, hats off to all of you for the marvellous job you performed during these abnormal times." He then called on Mrs. Lavern Ryan to lead the assembly in prayer. She gave the Lord thanks for His Grace and Favour, and protection and called upon all to remain vigilant as we move forward.

Mrs. Lynette Monteith, Ag. Chief Officer then addressed the gathering. "The last few months have been extraordinary indeed," she said. "From one of normalcy we moved to social distancing, hand sanitizing, and wearing of masks. I know these have been stressful times. It gave us an opportunity to do things differently. You rose admirably to the task and challenges. The priority of the Ministry is to keep everyone safe as we re-open. We are proud that our recruitment this year has been mainly local in nature. I am encouraged by the level of preparations you all have undertaken to be ready to welcome our children back to school." Her remarks ended with a short video.

Mrs. Tammy Hopkins, Ag. Director of Education Services welcomed all present. "This function would normally be held on GM. Today is auspicious because we have the opportunity to come to the Brac. As we ready ourselves to welcome our students, we continue our journey towards a world class education system. Strive always to do your best. Our challenges became opportunities success. Remote learning brought out the best in



all of you and for that we are thankful. Teamwork makes the dream work."

Her remarks were accompanied by inspirational videos. Mr. Joel Francis, Deputy Chief Officer then introduced the Minister of Education, the Honourable Mrs. Juliana O'Connor Connolly.

"First of all my thanks to the Lord for His unfailing love and protection toward us. When this pandemic broke we were first of territories. Safety of all was paramount. Christians prayed and proved to be a formidable army. Your role was significant as you adapted immediately

to remote learning. There were many issues but I saw your determination to ensure the students were taught. You worked tirelessly daily and I know late at nights to get your task completed. We have asked the private sector to join us in advancing the process, and they have responded with donating laptops. Your 2nd tranche of your remunerations will appear in your September paycheck. You all are super heroes for without you

there will be no other professions. Education is the fuel for all engines of society. As long as I am Education I committed to constructing a new high school on the Bluff. I have been grateful to have served you over these last 4 years. God bless you all and these wonderful islands."

Ag. Principal of the High School, Mr. Devon Bowen concluded the function with the vote of thanks.

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MOTION WITHDRAWN BUT BEACH ACCESS ISSUE STILL 'AT SEA'

When the Hon. Minister for Lands, Savannah, Anthony Eden, calling for obstructing beach access to be made a criminal offence. As it turned out, it's already a criminal offence and although MLA Eden subsequently withdrew the motion, the issue nevertheless triggered a spirited debate in the LA.

Seconding the motion, Hon. MLA for Newlands, Alva Suckoo, noted the longstanding contentious nature of beach access and right of way. "As the country continues to develop especially where beach properties are

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Pedro celebrates Constitution Day
By Christopher Tobutt
What better place to celebrate Constitution Day than Pedro St. James, the "Birthplace of Democracy". Pedro St. James Castle, while Cayman's first written constitution, completed on 4 July 1959, is the official reason for the holiday, the roots of Cayman's ability to self-govern are hidden deep within the thick stone walls of Pedro Castle. It was here that Cayman's first ideas of self-government and national identity took shape. If anywhere is the historical heart of the Cayman Islands, it is surely here. The great house was also celebrating because it was the first day that people could visit, after the Covid-19 shutdown. Everyone had to wear masks, at least in the inside area.

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OPPOSITION MAKES 'MOTIONS' IN LA
MLA Christopher Selvin Saunders
A series of motions tabled by the Official Opposition in the Legislative Assembly have received a favourable reaction from government members in attendance son or via video link. These included increased ment age, aligning mater

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Governor's Updates

• **Lifting Restrictions** - This global pandemic is far from over. Almost every country in the world struggling is to contain it. Over 23 million cases worldwide, 800k deaths (which has doubled in 11 weeks), 175k deaths in the US alone and over 10k in Florida. However, we have got ourselves into an excellent place in Cayman. We have, as of now, effectively eliminated the virus from our Islands, one of very few countries that can say that. Our capacity for testing was a game-changer and we have built up our health capacity very effectively. We have followed the science with Dr Lee and his team integral to decision-making.

I strongly support the lifting of so many of the remaining restrictions – making masks optional, no need for physical distancing and gatherings of up to 250 allowed. Reflects the excellent progress we have made and success of the Government's strategy. Everyone in our community has played their part and everyone deserves praise and thanks for getting us here. Of course, we need to continue to remain vigilant and alert. We need to be ready to re-impose restrictions if that is required.

• **Border** - As part of learning to live with the virus, I commend the Government and civil service for all the work put in place to plan for the border re-opening, as the Premier has set out.

Details are nearly finalised and will be announced soon. These will likely include testing before arrival and after

5 days here (8 days apart), home isolation, use of technology to monitor an individual's health for 14 days, technology to monitor movements, physical surveillance and tough fines for not complying, are all part of a carefully considered plan to reduce risk considerably. Great care and attention have gone into this to protect everyone on our Islands, including our most vulnerable and elderly.

• **British Airways** - On Thursday, a British Airways flight arrived from the UK bringing in around 150 Caymanians, Permanent Residents and work permit holders who will spend two weeks in a Government quarantine facility. On Friday, the final BA airbridge will depart Cayman for London. The flight will be full and is predominantly for students travelling to start school and university in the UK and their families.

I am pleased to announce that we have arranged for British Airways to introduce a regular fortnightly service to London Heathrow. This will be kept under review until a normal service can be resumed.

The new service will enable passengers to book return tickets using <http://BA.Com/> and the British Airways reservations system. This will be a commercial operation and will not be managed by the Governor's Office going forward.

Inbound passengers to Cayman will require written permission from Traveltime to board the flights and BA will be checking permissions at Heathrow. Pas-

sengers wishing to travel on an inbound flight should visit www.explore.gov.ky/traveltime to apply.

There is no need to apply to Traveltime for outbound flights to London.

The first service will arrive in Cayman on 17 September and depart for London on 18 September. Subsequent flights will operate every 2 weeks. BA is advertising the flights on <http://BA.Com/> - Freight services are also available and should be booked via IAG Cargo.

The plan is to use the first flight on 17 September to trial the new inbound passenger procedure which will be in place when the borders reopen. Details on the exact numbers that trial will cover are still being worked through.

• **Build back better** - Pandemics throughout history have changed the world. I believe this one will impact on climate change. We will have an opportunity to build back better and to build back greener. As the UK hosts COP26 next year in Glasgow, a pivotal moment in the world's response to climate change, I am talking to the Premier and Minister Seymour about developing a closer Cayman/UK compact setting out where we can cooperate. This once in a century health crisis is a once in a century opportunity to reshape the world our children will inherit. Cayman should be part of that. We shouldn't waste it.

• **Domestic Partnership Bill** - I discussed the Domestic Partnership Bill on Radio Cayman's Talk Today with Ray-



► HE Governor Martyn Roper

mond Singh. I know this is highly sensitive for many in Cayman. I am doing more media to address many of the public's concerns, meeting church leaders and pro-LGBT groups. The Bill respects rule of law, ends discrimination against members of our community and protects the institution of marriage. As such it is a difficult but necessary compromise. I appeal to everyone to come together and see it that way. It enables us to meet our legal obligations and move forward as a community. 🌐

Mangrove Rangers to learn of the impacts of Grand Cayman's mangrove destruction on Climate Change

In the past 40 years, the destruction of Cayman's mangroves forests for commercial, residential and tourist developments have increased the amount of CO2 released into the atmosphere – thereby adding to the problem of climate change.

Unless that destruction is drastically reduced or eliminated altogether, those emissions will continue at an ever-increasing rate. Every time the mangroves of Grand Cayman are destroyed – by development or illegal clearing – it is estimated that more than 900 tons of CO2e per acre are released into the atmosphere. At least 70% of mangroves have already been lost on the western side of Grand Cayman, representing about 3,844 acres since 1976 (DoE). Including additional deforestation that has occurred in South Sound and east of Red Bay, as much as 10 million tons of CO2e may have already been released into the atmosphere.

Coastal ecosystems such as mangroves store more carbon per unit area than terrestrial forests and this "blue carbon" is now being recognised for its importance in slowing climate change. These ecosystems also provide essential benefits for climate change adaptation, including coastal protection and

food security for coastal communities. However, if mangroves are destroyed or damaged their carbon sink capacity is lost and the carbon stored is released resulting in the emission of carbon dioxide (CO2) contributing to climate change.

A study to determine the amount of carbon stored in the Central Mangrove Wetland (CMW) of Grand Cayman was compiled by Catherine Childs, Education Programmes Manager from the National Trust of the Cayman Islands. This study will be highlighted in Ms. Child's presentation for the first training session of the new Cayman Mangrove Rangers to be held this Saturday (22 August) at the Clever Fish on Walkers Road. The morning will be followed by a mangrove field trip conducted by Sea Elements. The National Trust for the Cayman Islands is pleased to be able to support this innovative Rangers programme by providing educational support.

In addition to learning in depth about mangrove ecology, the Rangers will be learning about the impacts on climate change by their destruction.

Climate change is the defining issue of our time. From stronger storms to rising sea levels the impacts of climate change are global in scope and unprece-



ented in scale. Stronger hurricanes are just one of impacts we face in Cayman.

According to NOAA, we are already experiencing global average temperatures that are 2o F higher since record-keeping began in 1880, with each year is hotter than one before. Carbon dioxide levels are exceeding 414 parts per million, the highest recorded in the last 650,000 years; Arctic ice levels are decreasing 13% per decade; polar ice mass is being lost at the rate of 427 gigatonnes per year; and sea levels are rising 3.3 mm/year, causing a global average sea level rise of nearly 7 inches over the past 100 years. Without drastic action today, adapting to these impacts in the future will be difficult and costly.

Ms. Child's field studies were conducted in a largely undisturbed area of the Central Mangrove Wetlands (CMW) to investigate the carbon content of the vegetation and the soil. While all green plants remove carbon dioxide (CO2) from the air through photosynthesis, mangroves store that carbon away in the trees as well as in the deep soil beneath. Measurements were therefore conduct-

ed analyzing the vegetation while soil samples were taken using a deep coring auger which were then tested at a specialized laboratory.

Grand Cayman's mangrove ecosystems were found to be a significant sink for CO2. Oceanic mangroves such as those found in Grand Cayman are some of the highest carbon pools of any forest type in the world while being among the most vulnerable to the effects of land-use change and global climate change including sea level rise.

Because mangrove ecosystems are so rich in carbon, deforestation or disturbance of these regions results in large emissions of CO2 to the atmosphere, exacerbating climate change. Using a conservative assumption that the first three feet of soil is disturbed when mangrove habitats are converted or damaged, if just 5% of the CMW was damaged, approximately 388,800 tons of CO2e would be emitted to the atmosphere. For reference, this figure correlates to taking approximately 84,521 vehicles off the roads for a year (US EPA).

Despite the significance of these coastal areas, Grand Cayman has lost much of its original mangrove cover. More than 50% of the island was originally covered in mangrove forests but most of the wetlands on the western end of the island have been converted to residential and commercial developments. Fortunately, in the centre of the island the Central Mangrove Wetland, the largest contiguous mangrove ecosystem in the Caribbean, remains largely undisturbed – it is, however, being encroached upon from all sides by rapidly increasing development pressures.

The results of this study indicate that mangroves with deep sediments such as those in the CMW must be considered high priority for preservation. Because of their large ecosystem carbon stocks, as well as the numerous other critical ecosystem services they provide, Cayman's mangroves must be protected. 🌐



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National Museum

Ongoing - The Cayman Islands National Museum is open! From Monday to Friday, guests can visit the museum to learn more about the history of the Cayman Islands. The shop, audiovisual theatre and galleries are opened from 9am to 3pm. Visit www.museum.ky, www.facebook.com/museum.ky and www.instagram.com/museum.ky to learn more about current exhibits, or call 949-8368.

Camp Shellby at the Cayman Turtle Centre

28 August - Enjoy a summer of adventure with Shellby and friends at the Cayman Turtle Centre's summer camp every week in August - Monday to Friday from 8am - 3pm for only \$350 per week! Learn about turtles, sharks, birds, and more; explore the wildlife and splash in the pool. Campers can The camp is open to children age 4-12 years. Go to campshellby.com or call or call 949 - 3894.

Support Group for Young Adults

29 August - The Alex Panton Foundation is hosting another free peer - supported environment for young adults aged 18 to 25 living with anxiety and depression. This will take place at the Constitution Hall, George Town from 3- 4pm. Participants can share their experiences with living with anxiety and

depression and its impact on their lives. Contact info@alexpanton-foundation.ky with any questions.

Prospect Playhouse - Auditions for "The Women"

29 August - Auditions for THE WOMEN - a comedy by Clare Booth Luce will be held at the Prospect Playhouse on Saturday 29th August 2020 at 2pm sharp with callbacks on Tuesday 2nd September at 7:30pm. The original play had an all-female cast of 35. The CDS version will require a cast of 20 women and 1 girl (aged 13). You must be a member of CDS to audition. If you are not a member, or if your membership is not paid up for this year, visit <https://www.cds.ky/Join-CDS> before audition day. For further information, contact Paul de Freitas (paul@defreitas.info / 916-6331).

Cayman Rugby Match

29 August - Cayman Rugby is back! Check out the match between the Cayman Reds V Green on Saturday 29 August at the Cayman Rugby Club beginning at 4 pm.

Big Summer Birding Challenge

29 July - 4 September - This summer go birding with your friends or family and take part in the Trust's Big Summer Birding Challenge. Visit NTCI sites Malportas Pond and Governor Gore's Bird Sanctuary for incredible opportunities to see Herons, Egrets, Woodpeckers, Kingbirds, ducks and more! Submit your best photo(s) of birds in the wild by 4th September to [marketing@national-gallery.org.ky](mailto:marketing@nationalgallery.org.ky) for a chance to win a NTCI t-shirt. The top three photos will be selected and winners will be notified via email by 11th September. Winning photos will be shared on our social media.

Masterclass Workshop Series with horticulturist Nick Johnson

30 August - The Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park is pleased to host a Masterclass Workshop Series with horticulturist Nick Johnson, the Horticultural Manager at the park. Some classes will feature tips and tricks on growing plants from cuttings and division, and a general plant question and answer session. A pre-registration fee of CI\$25. will go toward the completion of the Children's Garden and workshops are limited to 12 persons only and attendees should bring pruners, gloves, and a garden knife. To pre-book your space: email info@botanic-park.ky or call 947 - 9462.

National Gallery - School Exhibition Tours

1 September - The National Gallery's school exhibition tours are back from 1 September to 29 January 2021. Educators are encouraged to book guided tours to view temporary and current exhibitions. Tour groups are currently limited to 25 persons. To book your tour, email education@nationalgallery.org.ky or call 945 - 8111.

Free HIV Screenings

1 September - The Public Health Department wishes to advise the public of extended hours for free HIV screenings. The free testing

is now available from 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. every Tuesday. Offered at the Cayman Islands Red Cross on Huldah Avenue, George Town.

Pedro St. James - Movies on the Lawn

1 September - Take part in this family friendly activity on the lawns at Pedro St. James from 6:30 - 8:30pm. The featured movie is Back to the Future. Admission is free and each family gets one box of free popcorn. Don't forget to bring your blanket! Call 947 - 3329 for more information.

First Aid, CPR and AED Training

5 September - The Cayman Islands Red Cross has started back its First Aid training. Dates are available for Private, Business, or Workplace training. Lifeguard and Basic Water Rescue courses are scheduled on demand. (subject to the approval of training location). All courses use the American Red Cross (ARC) syllabus and give 2 year CI Red Cross certification. Training Costs are CI\$125 per person for FA/CPR/AED courses (typically 6 hours training) and CI\$75 for Basic Water Rescue, CPR/AED Refresher courses, and challenges (written test, short practical, no instruction). Email: firstaid@redcross.org.ky for all bookings or call 949 - 6785 ext. 2 for more information.

Brac Community Thatch Plaiting class

10 September - The Community Thatch Plaiting class is September 10th via Zoom at 5pm. Email bracautumnfestival@gmail.com to pre-register



Fight Muscle Loss: Lift Weights

When you think of a typical older person, one thing likely comes to mind: *frailty*. Even if you can't really identify any obvious illness, there is something about most elderly people that communicates frailty and weakness. They probably walk slowly, move carefully and let others do many things for them, rather than doing those things themselves.

What is it? It's muscle loss, otherwise known as sarcopenia. And if you are 25 years old or older, it is happening to you already.

But you don't have to take it sitting down.



► Ernest Ebanks

What is sarcopenia?

Sarcopenia refers to the process of losing skeletal muscle mass and strength. "Sarco" is the Greek word referring to flesh, and "penia" means a reduction in amount. Thus, the word describes a progressive weakening of the body caused by a "change in body compensation in favor of fat and at the expense of muscle".

Everyone, beginning around age 25, starts to lose muscle mass, though the actual symptoms of this loss do not usually begin showing up until around the age of 40 or so. The process begins really picking up speed after the age of 65. In fact, **around the age of 40, most women will lose almost a half-pound of muscle every year and replace it with fat.**

The result of this gradual loss of muscle is an insidious weakening of the body, loss of balance, loss of confidence upon walking, and a reduced ability to recover from near falls. As we lose strength, we become more inactive. This makes sense, because if we have less muscle, it takes much more effort to move, and we fatigue more easily. But also, with loss of strength comes loss of balance and stability. The fear of falling keeps many people sedentary. And a sedentary lifestyle opens the door for chronic illness.

Take back your muscle

And now for great news: you can delay sarcopenia and even reverse it. How? By lifting weights. Even though you cannot grow new muscles cells to replace the ones you have already lost, you can de-

velop the ones that you have left. In fact, you can become stronger than you ever have in your life by simply beginning a strength training program.

No matter how old you are, it is not too late to start. Even patients in nursing homes have seen transformation. After strength training, bedridden patients were able to begin walking with walkers, walker-dependent patients graduated to canes, and so on.

And no matter how young you are, it is not too early to start! By starting early, you can significantly delay the effects of sarcopenia.

As you begin lifting weights, you will notice a transformation in your body. You will have more energy, you will perform everyday tasks with noticeably more ease and your clothes will begin sagging on you, because you will be building muscle and burning up the fat deposits. You will have greater balance and more confidence.

And perhaps best of all is the insurance policy you pay premiums on every time you choose to lift, because you are laying a strong, solid foundation for your later years. You are laying up health, independence and the ability to **live well**, not just long.

Don't let another day go by that you are losing muscle. Take it back, and get ready to feel better than you ever have!

Call Ernest at Body Shapers Fitness Studio 325-8696 or email bodyshaperscayman@gmail.com , get started on a weight training program.



HEALTHIER COFFEE - ANYONE?

I am not a regular coffee drinker. I do have a cup frequently at times. The smell of brewing coffee is just magical. Many of us tend to have it first thing in the morning as our energy wake up. Coffee has its place in our daily regimen. I have considered some wonderful additions that you can make to your coffee to enhance its taste and benefits. If consumed properly it can add to your weight loss, so avoid artificial creations.

AVOID ARTIFICIAL CREAMERS - These are almost as bad as artificial sweeteners. Why? A large assortment is made with corn syrup solids and hydrogenated fats. Improve your coffee with real cream, organic grass fed. This gives the added benefit of conjugated linoleic acid a fat burner in its own right.

USE FILTERED WATER AND ORGANIC BEANS - Coffee is 99% water. So, water quality is crucial. Coffee is the heaviest sprayed crop in the world. Filtered water and organic beans will aid your coffee texture.

CINNAMON - The extract is preferred. It's packed with anti-oxidants.

It lowers blood glucose after a meal. This is great for diabetics.

EAT BEFORE DRINKING YOUR COFFEE - Hmm! Interesting you may quip. Your body releases insulin in response to caffeine. In turn, this causes a major drop in blood sugar, leaving you depleted and tired. Your body would thank you for this practice. Much on a small snack with your coffee, or even eat right before consumption.

ADD COLLAGEN - This has been my greatest addition. It is rich in amino acid glycine. It also helps with inflammation and tissue repair.








GRASS - FED BUTTER - Another of my favourite. Added to black coffee you get a nice brain-boosting buzz. Blend it with a handheld blender. Hmm! Delicioso!

ADD COCONUT OIL - Another of my favourite. This is loaded with healthy fatty acids specifically MCT's. Studies have shown that this oil boosts brain health.

Try any of these as you wish and even mix and match. Take your coffee to another healthy level.



WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

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APPLEBY NAMED AS A FINALIST IN STEP PRIVATE CLIENT AWARDS

Appleby's Private Client and Trusts' team have been announced as a finalist in the Private Client Legal Team of the Year (midsize firm) category at the 2020/21 Society of Trust & Estate Practitioners (STEP) Private Client Awards.

STEP noted that this year saw a record breaking number of nominations, with a total 319 submissions across 27 countries, making for an intense competition.

Carlos de Serpa Pimentel, Partner and Group Head of the Private Client & Trusts team, said, "Attaining this type of recognition for the work that our Private Client & Trusts team carries out is always excellent, and is certainly a testament to the quality of the lawyers in our team and their commitment to delivering market-leading advice and services to our clients."

Appleby is one of five firms shortlisted for the award. Winners will be announced at a virtual awards ceremony on 9 December 2020 and will be chosen by a panel of experts selected by the judges consisting of internationally renowned solicitors, lawyers, account-

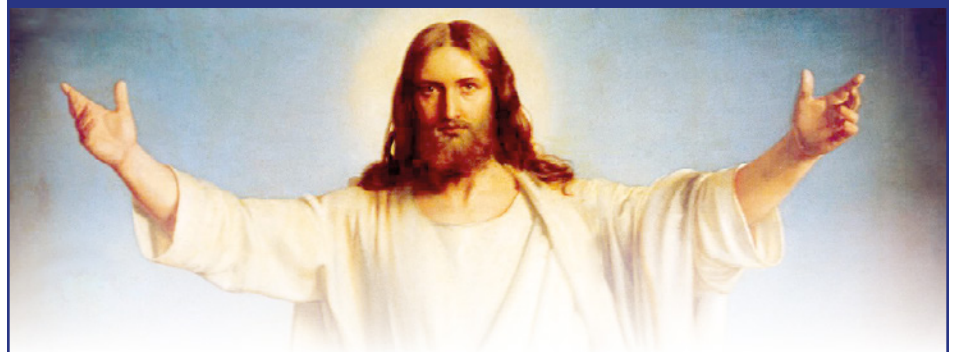


► Carlos de Serpa Pimentel, Group Head of Private Client & Trusts

ants, financial advisors, barristers and trust companies. Appleby previously won the prestigious International Legal Team of the Year award in 2014/15.

STEP is the global professional association for practitioners who specialise in family inheritance and succession planning, with 20,000 members across 95 countries from a range of professions, including lawyers, accountants and other specialists. [f](#)

MOMENTS OF INSPIRATION



THE RESTORATION BUSINESS. PHILIPPIANS 3: 1-8

Adam Minter is in the junk business. He circles the planet researching junk. Hmm! In his book *Junkyard Planet* he chronicles the multi-billion-dollar industry of waste recycling. Entrepreneurs around the world he noted devote themselves to locating discarded materials as copper wire, dirty rags and plastic, and repurposing them to something new and beautiful.

Jesus Christ is the business of RESTORATION AND COMPLETE MAKE-

OVER. No matter what your situation is He can transform it. No matter how deep in sin you have fallen, HE CAN REDEEM YOU. No matter how ugly your past is, HE CAN MAKE IT PURE. The bible teaches us, "If any man be in Christ he is a new creature, OLD THINGS ARE PASSED AWAY BEHOLD ALL THINGS ARE BECOME NEW."

There it is friend. The GREAT RESTORER. Why not accept Him today and experience the eternal change? [f](#)



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Funeral Home

We have been asked to announce the passing of Mr. Michele "Mitchel" Terrance Byrd, who passed away on Thursday, August 20, 2020. Details of a Thanksgiving Service will be announced at a later date.



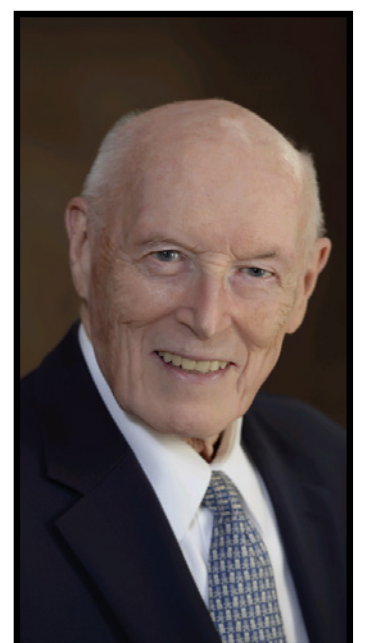
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The Family of the late **Ted Workman** is deeply saddened to announce his passing on Thursday, August, 13th 2020.

A funeral service will be held 10:00 a.m. Friday, 28 August 2020 at Bodden Funeral Service, 117 Walkers Rd.

Interment will follow at Propect Cemetery.

The service will be live-streamed on Bodden Funeral Service Facebook Page.



Condolances may be registered at BoddenFuneralService.com & Bodden Funeral Service Face Book Page.



GLOBAL NEWS BRIEFS

Canada is more desirable to live in

Canada's appeal as a safe and welcoming country to live in has increased, not diminished during the global pandemic.

The coronavirus pandemic is not deterring people from wanting to immigrate to Canada, on the contrary, a new survey suggests it is driving more interest.

Nearly half of the respondents in a survey by World Education Services (WES) two months ago said that COVID-19 had increased their interest in immigrating to Canada. There were more people who reported this increased interest in June than there were in April when a similar survey was done.

WES provides educational credential assessments for people who are undergoing economic-class immigration to Canada. In June, 45 percent of respondents

said they were more interested in immigrating to Canada as a result of the pandemic, and six per cent said they were less interested.

Also, fewer people reported that they were considering delaying their immigration to Canada. The WES survey also found that many respondents expected the economic impact in Canada to be less extreme than in their home countries. Though Canada too has taken an economic hit from the pandemic, the Labour

Force Survey found that about 55 percent of jobs lost to COVID 19 had been regained in July.

Though the survey found that economic concerns were widespread among prospective immigrants, their research revealed that many respondents expected the economic impact to be less extreme in Canada than their home country. Once again, more people expected a negative impact on economic conditions in their home country than they did in Canada. 🌐



► Cities like Vancouver are more appealing for immigration

Filipinos see remittances drop drastically

... Continued story from page 1

Philippine economy but which have been battered by the worldwide pandemic as tens of thousands of OFWs have lost their jobs and are streaming home.

Since March, OFW remittances contracted. In March, the inflows declined by 5.2 percent year-on-year to \$2.65 billion. That's because of widespread labour cutbacks in the oil industry in the Middle East following the collapse in crude prices.

In April, remittances fell sharply by 16.1 percent to \$2.28 billion, because of the layoffs of OFWs in countries heavily affected by the pandemic and the temporary closure during the lockdown of some banks that provide money transfer services. In May, the decline worsened to 19.2 percent to \$2.34 billion, as global economic activity, especially travel and employment, reeled from the pandemic, resulting in massive job losses or the deferred hiring of many OFWs.

An uptick was recorded in June, but that was not sustained. The global economic recession is expected to linger as countries struggle to contain the pandemic. Like the Philippines, many other nations both developing and advanced are suffering unprecedented economic declines. Japan, for instance, reported a 27.8 percent contraction in the second quarter. The US economy shrank by 32.9 percent. 🌐

Honduras drug seizures is higher

Honduras is seizing more A-class drugs than in previous years but the country's president is still under suspicion of being involved in the trade.

Even as he faces allegations of corruption and drug trafficking himself, President Juan Orlando Hernández said he will take measures to thwart organised criminal groups after state security forces announced that cocaine seizures have already surpassed last year's record.

Despite nationwide restrictions on movement introduced to curb the spread of the novel coronavirus, the Secretariat of National Defence said last week that authorities had incinerated more than 2,628 kilograms of coke, mostly in the northern region of La Mosquitia.

The figures, which represent the eight months since January, already reflect an increase of almost 400 kg on last year.

On Sunday, Hernández took to Twitter to promise further action against the organised criminal groups responsible for trafficking the drug through the Central American country.

"It doesn't matter the time or the place, our defence and security forces are always there to protect the Honduran people," he said.



► Honduras authorities are retrieving record levels of cocaine

Hernández has himself been described as a co-conspirator in legal proceedings against his brother in the US on charges of drug trafficking. While Hernández has consistently denied the allegations, his brother was convicted and sentenced last year.

But a surge in production of cocaine in Venezuela and Colombia has seen Honduras resume its former mantle as a key transit destination for the drug.

Meanwhile, serious international concerns have been raised about the sincerity of the regime's commitment to combat corruption among public officials that allows organised criminals to act with impunity, after Hernández dismissed corruption charges against his government allies a month ago. 🌐

Cubans finding alternatives to tourism

Cubans who rely heavily on the vital tourism trade are resorting to other skills to find income because of the downturn in the industry due to the corona virus pandemic. Some have turned to agriculture or service industries.

Esleidy Tamary, a 42-year-old mother, has worked as a local tour guide for more than a decade in Las Terrazas, an eco-village located an-hour drive south of the capital Havana, but the coronavirus pandemic suddenly changed her life.

In Cuba, which has reported 3,617 confirmed COVID-19 cases with 89 deaths so far, many tour guides have been affected by the health crisis, since the government has adopted measures to slow the spread of the disease nationwide.

For Tamary, it was supposed to be a good season to guide groups of tourists visiting the UNESCO (the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation) biosphere reservation, plan travel itineraries and introduce the customs and traditions of Cuban farmers.

However, she now harvests crops at a nearby state-operated farm to support national food production, a paramount priority during the pandemic on the island.



► Cuba's tourism industry is dormant at present

"I miss close contact with tourists. We are sort of our country's ambassadors," said Tamary. "COVID-19 pandemic has put our work at risk but this is not going to last forever. Now it is time to work on the land, but sooner or later I will welcome tourists again with a big smile on my face."

Since Cuba reported its first cases on March 11, the government has suspended international flights, requested vessels in Cuban territorial waters to withdraw, and extended the ban to all foreign tourists.

The acute decline in international tourists has hammered tourism in small communities and towns, as well as the country's largest metropolitan areas.

During the pandemic, over 111,000 employees of the country's tourism industry have worked to improve hotel facilities, or been relocated to essential economic activities, or put under paid leave. 🌐

Maduro builds ties with Iran

Venezuela's president Nicolas Maduro has said that it would be "a good idea" to purchase missiles from Iran, as the two countries expand trade relations under a joint banner of anti-US sentiment.

Ties between Caracas and Tehran have deepened in recent months as both regimes attempt to undermine aggressive US sanctions programmes.

And in May, Iranian tankers carried 1.53 million barrels of gasoline and alkylate gasoline to Venezuelan shores, in the most significant display yet of open defiance of Washington sanctions, amid a regular flow of supplies, technicians, businesspeople and officials.

Responding to Colombian allegations that his regime was now considering buying missiles from the Middle Eastern nation, Maduro said: "It had not occurred to me, it had not occurred to us."

Speaking during a televised broadcast with cabinet members, he instructed defence minister Vladimir Padrino to follow the idea up, jokingly telling his ministers to keep the plan a secret.

"Padrino, what a good idea, to speak with Iran to see what short, medium and



► Nicolas Maduro is reinforcing ties with Iran

long range missiles they have, and if it is possible, given the great relations we have with Iran."

Colombia's president Ivan Duque cited intelligence reports showing that Maduro is handing over weapons made in Russia and Belarus to Colombian armed groups.

The Colombian leader - who refers to Mr Maduro as a dictator and, along with more than 50 other nations, considers opposition leader Juan Guaido the nation's president - has frequently accused him of protecting and supporting former members of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia rebel group and the still-active National Liberation Army guerrillas. 🌐

Johnson wants kids back in school

UK schools reopen next week but there is still a lot of uncertainty on whether parents will send their children to classes. It is "vitaly important" children go back to school, with the life chances of a generation at stake, Prime Minister Boris Johnson said in a message to parents.

As the autumn term began in Northern Ireland, Johnson said the risk of contracting coronavirus at schools across the UK was "very small".

He said "it is far more damaging for a child's development and their health... to be away from school any longer".

Johnson's words echoed those of the UK's four chief medical officers. They

have all signed a joint statement alongside deputy chief medical officers to reassure parents schools could mitigate risks during the pandemic.

In Scotland, schools have already reopened. Some pupils in Northern Ireland returned to school on Monday, while term starts in England and Wales in September.

Johnson thanked school staff for spending the summer "making classrooms Covid-secure". And in a video message shared on Twitter, he said children faced physical and mental health risks from not being in the classroom.

"The best way to tackle any mental health problems is to get our kids into school in September," he added.

Citing comments from England's chief medical officer Prof Chris Whitty at the weekend, Johnson said the risk of catching coronavirus in school was "very small and it is far more damaging for a child's development and their health and wellbeing to be away from school any longer". 🌐



► Children in the UK are going back to school

De La Hoya wants top level return

Oscar De La Hoya is set for a return to the ring at the age of 47 and 12 years since his last fight, a brutally one-sided beating from Manny Pacquiao. Maybe De La Hoya is inspired by Mike Tyson's impending comeback, but whatever his motivation, the "Golden Boy" should not be fighting again. He has been battling alcohol and drug addictions since retiring and after so many years out of the ring and having taken many poundings towards the end of his career, this looks more like a vanity project rather than a real attempt to relive past glories.

De La Hoya claims this won't be like the Tyson-Roy Jones Jr exhibition. He intends to fight for real, fully sanctioned by a commission — real, live boxing.

Oscar says he wants to face any top fighters at 154 or 160 pounds. Whether that's realistic or not remains to be seen, but it is unrealistic for a first fight back.

It's also no guarantee this happens. De La Hoya (39-6, 30 KO) says he still needs to see how he really feels physically in the coming weeks, and he'd also have to pass a physical and get licensed, which is not difficult with boxing commissions, especially as he can still generate millions of dollars from TV audiences.

Who will he fight? Canelo Alvarez would be a mismatch although it would generate immense interest. Mexican legend Alvarez (53-1-2, 36 KO) is not just Golden Boy Promotions' crown jewel, badly needing a meaningful fight, but he is just too young and strong for De La



► Oscar De La Hoya is making an ill-advised return to the ring



► Amir Khan could be De La Hoya's first fight

Hoya. Canelo, 30, and Oscar do not get along and haven't for some time. Canelo, in fact, reportedly doesn't even speak to anyone at the company except through his lawyer.

Sergio Martinez just made his own return to the ring at 45 having not fighting since 2014. Martinez has credited thermal baths for helping to fix a previously injured knee, leaving him pain-free, and he beat a journeyman-type fighter last week in Spain.

There's no saying Martinez (52-3-2, 29 KO) will fight again just yet, but he said in June when he was planning his comeback that he felt he had a few fights left. De La Hoya is not keen for this one.

Conor McGregor, the 32-year-old UFC fighter who is, for the moment, offi-

cially retired again, could be tempted for this showpiece. McGregor famously fought Floyd Mayweather Jr in a boxing match in 2017, and he held his own for a few rounds against an unbeaten legend.

McGregor and De La Hoya had some words earlier this year, when Oscar said he'd knock McGregor out in two rounds. McGregor said he'd accept that challenge. That means this fight has already been floated as a possibility.

McGregor is complicated, though, because he does technically still have a UFC contract, and any boxing venture he does would probably have to work with or around that.

Miguel Cotto, 39, hasn't fought since Dec. 2017, when he was upset by Sadam Ali, and rightfully decided that was probably a sign to hang things up. His

last really major fight came in Nov. 2015, when he was beaten by Canelo Alvarez.

Puerto Rican Cotto (41-6, 33 KO) and De La Hoya overlapped in their careers in terms of time in the sport, but they never fought. Cotto is unlikely to return. He too was jaded and way past his prime by his final fight.

Amir Khan is set to go if he can. The 33-year-old Brit is no longer taken seriously. But Khan (34-5, 21 KO) does still attract attention. His 2019 fight with Terence Crawford didn't sell well on pay-per-view, but it did generate online interest.

Khan has the sort of defective punch resistance that could give the fight some intrigue, even though he's so much faster than De La Hoya. Nevertheless, he looks like De La Hoya's safest opponent. 🌐

CPL is smashing for TV crowds

The Caribbean Premier League has been as entertaining as ever even though it is played in empty arenas because of the global pandemic. At least TV viewers are getting entertained.

During the 11th match of the ongoing eighth season of the CPL between St Kitts and Nevis Patriots and Barbados Tridents in Port of Spain, St Kitts and Nevis Patriots batsman Ben Dunk smashed two consecutive sixes to propel his team to their maiden victory in the tournament.

Chasing a 152-run target, Patriots required 13 runs to win in the last over being bowled by debutant pacer Nyeem Young. Having missed a delivery after a wide ball, Dunk put on display his experience of playing in T20 leagues around the world against a rookie bowler to register victory by hitting two back-to-back sixes.

The 33-year-old Australian might not have scored many runs but him scoring 22 (11) inclusive of one four and two sixes was enough for his team who were put in a winning position by opening batsman Evin Lewis' 30th T20 half-century.

Opening the batting with Chris Lynn (16), Lewis ended up scoring 89 (60) with the help of two fours and nine sixes to single-handedly turn the tables despite Lynn getting out cheaply. 🌐



► Ben Dunk smashed the St Kitts and Nevis Patriots to victory

Coman is Bayern's new King

Bayern Munich has a new star. Before their meeting with Paris St-Germain in the Champions League final was understandably about the superstar forwards on opposing sides.

As it turned out though, it wasn't Robert Lewandowski, Kylian Mbappe or Neymar who was the match-winner, it was 'The King'.

Kingsley Coman - who has won a league title in all eight seasons as a first-team player - headed the only goal for Bayern to leave him as the only Parisian celebrating in Lisbon.

"This is an extraordinary feeling," he said. "I feel a lot of joy, but also sadness for Paris. It hurts my heart a bit even though I am 100 percent Bayern."

The 24-year-old Frenchman was a surprise starter against PSG, replacing Ivan Perisic on the left wing in the only change Hansi Flick made to his Champions League starting XI since football restarted.

"They call him the king around the training ground and he was the king today," former Bayern Munich midfielder Owen Hargreaves said.

Coman only had 38 touches of the ball but he caused PSG right-back Thilo Kehrer plenty of problems with a clever nutmeg the highlight of his first-half exploits. His key moment was to come after the break as he became the fifth Frenchman to score in a Champions League final - and the first to do it against a French team.



► Kingsley Coman, 24, has already won 20 trophies

He got an average rating of 8.09 from BBC Sport website readers as he scored his eighth goal of an injury-hit campaign.

Flick said: "Perhaps he's finally stepped out of Franck Ribery and Arjen Robben's shadow this season. Kingsley has incredible talent and he showed tonight he can also score goals."

Serge Gnabry, who played on the opposite wing, said: "He helped us extremely. He came in and one-against-one we knew it would be difficult for the opponent."

"For him to score that goal after being out injured for a couple of games and to come back into the team was incredible."

Coman has already won 20 trophies despite his youth. He has now reached superstar level. 🌐

LeBron sad over Kobe and Blake

LeBron James took note when the Los Angeles Lakers built an early 24-8 lead over the Trail Blazers on Kobe Bryant Day.

"OK, he's here in the building," James said he thought in the moment, when the two numbers that Bryant wore during his career appeared on the scoreboard.

The Los Angeles Lakers dominated Portland the rest of the way Monday night, winning 135-115 to take a 3-1 advantage in their playoff series.

James had 30 points and 10 assists in 28 minutes before heading to the bench late in the third quarter. The Lakers led by as many as 38 points for their third straight win in the opening-round series, the team's first playoff appearance since 2013.

After the game, James detailed the emotional burden of both honouring Bryant and coping with the shooting of Jacob Blake, a black man, by police officers in Kenosha, Wisconsin.



► LeBron James had mixed emotions after Monday's win

"I can't even enjoy a playoff win right now, which is the sad part," he said.

James spoke at length about the shooting, which has sparked violent protests. Blake, who remained hospitalised and paralysed from the waist down, was shot in the back as he leaned into his SUV while his three children sat in the vehicle.

"We are scared as black people in America," James said. "Black men, black women, black kids. We are, we are terrified." 🌐

Bolt in quarantine after testing positive

Usain Bolt is in quarantine at his home in Jamaica after testing positive for COVID-19 - days after celebrating his 34th birthday party with other sports stars.

The country's health minister, Dr Christopher Tufton, confirmed Bolt had coronavirus and had been formally notified of the test result.

Bolt's condition raised questions over England and Manchester City footballer Raheem Sterling, who attended a party with the former sprinter in Jamaica.

However, on Tuesday it was confirmed that Sterling returned a negative result after undergoing a test in Jamaica. He was named in the England squad for next month's Nations League fixtures.

Bolt, an eight-time Olympic gold medalist, revealed he was self-isolating in a video which he posted on his official Instagram and Twitter accounts.

"Just waking up, and like everybody else, I checked social media which is saying I am confirmed to have COVID-19," said Bolt. "I am trying to be responsible



► Usain Bolt tested positive for coronavirus

so I am going to stay in and stay here for my friends."

The Jamaican world record holder, who retired after the World Athletics Championships in 2017 and is widely regarded as the best sprinter of all time, said he had no symptoms.

"Best birthday ever," he wrote on Instagram after the celebrations, posting a photo of himself holding his daughter Olympia, who was born in May.

Videos from the party showed guests dancing close together without masks and appearing to ignore social distancing. 🌐

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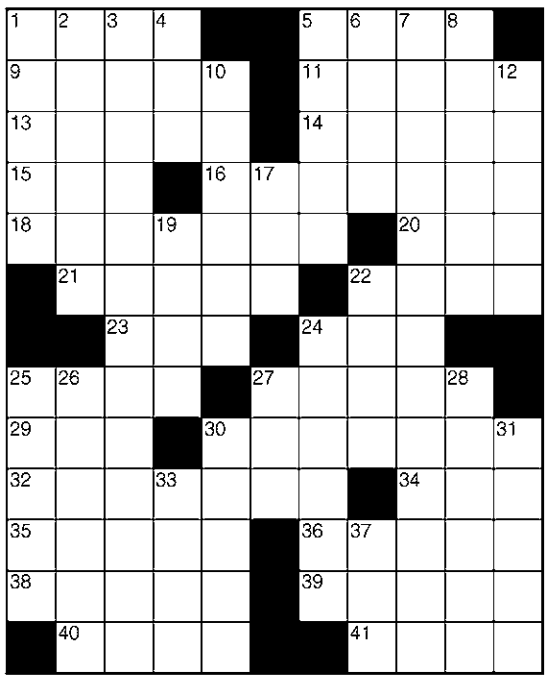
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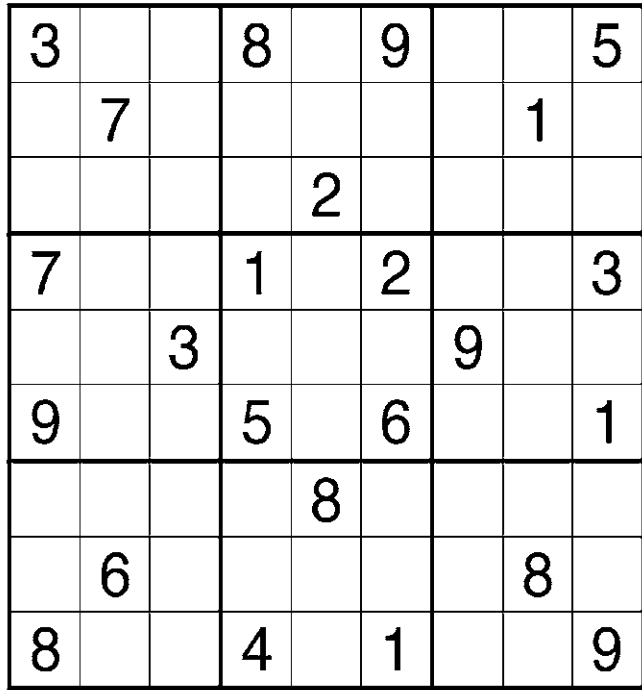
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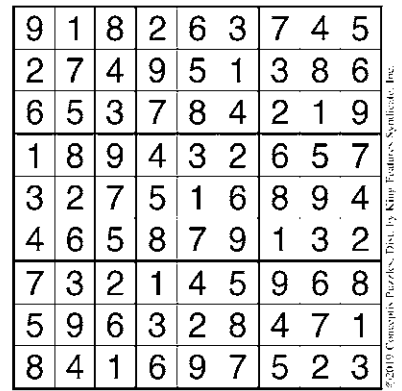
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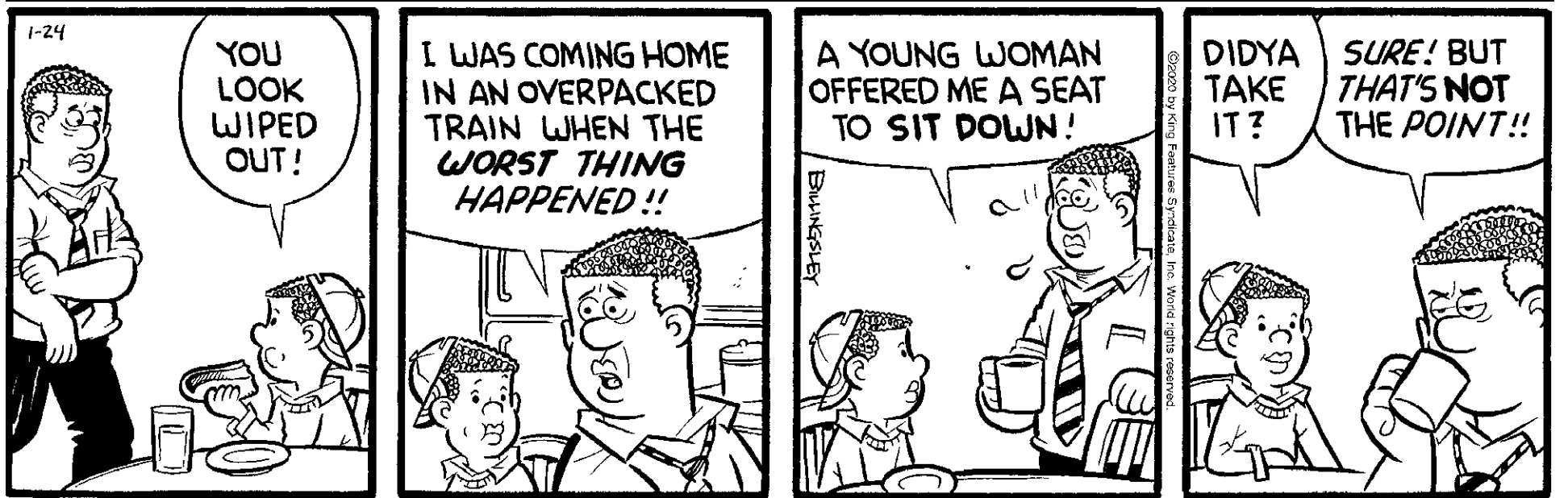
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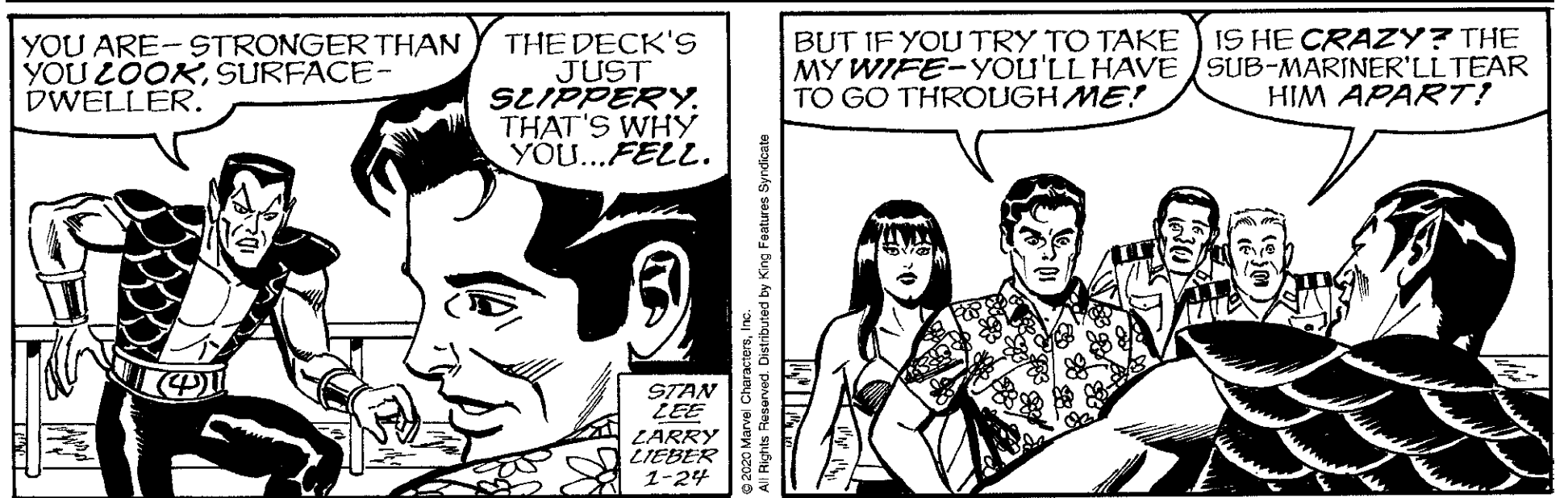
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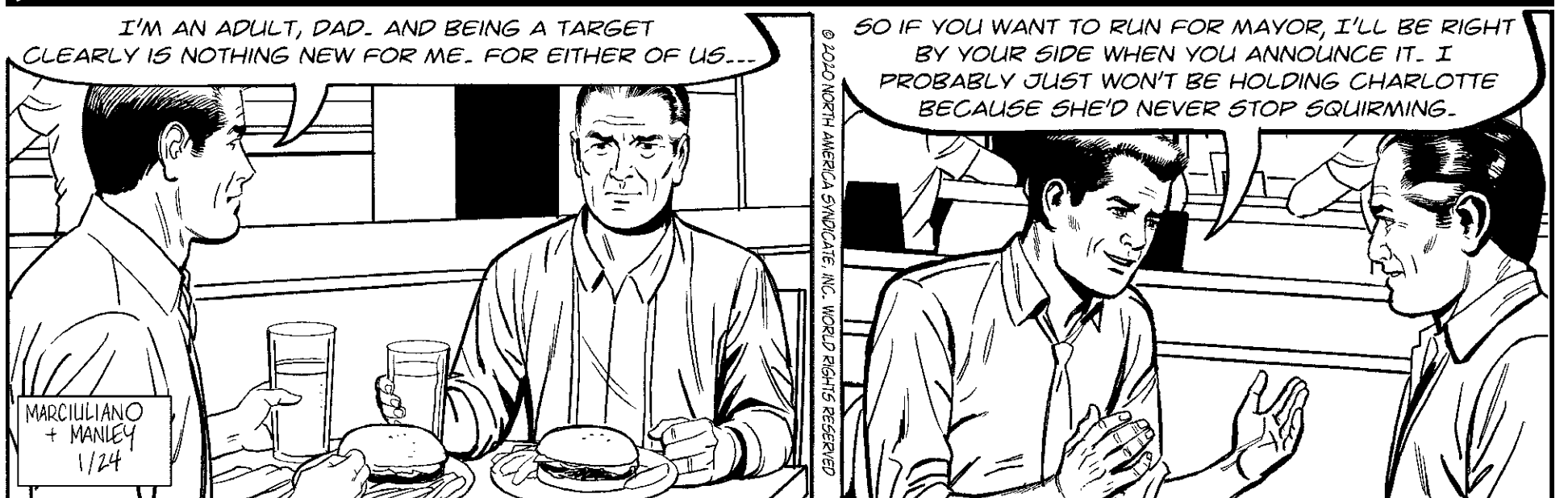
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Required one experienced Seamstress

Must have over 10 yrs experience as a Seamstress. Must be able to work on own initiative and without supervision

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Must have good communication skills in dealing with customers, and must display a professional manner while being polite and tactful when dealing with customers.

Must have a strong command of the English Language.

Applicants must apply in person at Puritan Cleaners office 337 Eastern Avenue, George Town, to complete an application form. References will be required. Salary range \$1,300.00 - \$1,500.00 monthly and will be based on experience.

On behalf of our client Loeb Smith Attorneys, we invite applications for the position of:

Corporate Associate Attorney

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Advising on Cayman law aspects of cross border mergers & acquisition deals, joint ventures, bankruptcy buy-outs, private equity and real estate investments;
- Advising on Cayman law aspects of investment funds of all asset classes (PE, hedge, cryptocurrencies, and tokenized funds).
- Advising on take-private transactions involving the acquisition and de-registration of listed companies from Stock Exchanges such as NASDAQ and the NYSE via the merger law regime under the Companies Law.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must have a Bachelor of Laws degree with at least eight (8) years' extensive experience of advising on mergers & acquisition deals, joint ventures, bankruptcy buy-outs, private equity and real estate investments while working in a reputable corporate law firm;
- Must have experience of working with onshore counsels on large scale acquisitions, disposals, and JVs;
- Excellent project management and communication skills.

Salary: US\$150,000 to US\$155,000 per annum commensurate with qualifications and experience plus benefits as required by law.

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Is in need of:

Sales Associate/ Administrative Assistant

Qualifications:

- Must have pleasing personality and excellent communication skills.
- Must have a pleasant working attitude, self-motivated, hardworking and passionate.
- Must have good selling skills.
- Must be creative with a strong sense for colors, texture and interior design.
- Must be able to manage time and multi-task.
- Must have own transportation and valid Cayman Island's driver's license
- Must have at least five (5) years of relevant work experience
- Ability to read floor plans/drawings will be advantageous
- Must have bookkeeping skills especially with QuickBooks.
- Must be skilled in Social Media

Job Responsibilities:

- Assist customers in their queries
- Prepare Estimates and Invoices for customers
- Answer phone and attend to their queries or direct calls as needed
- Coordinate with Installation, Fabrication and Warehouse departments for customer job schedules
- Plan and execute marketing plans to increase sales
- Assist Accounting Department with data entry & encoding in QuickBooks
- The ability to use social media to focus on building a client base and to increase product exposure.

Annual Salary range: KYD\$24,000 – KYD\$27,000
Commensurate to qualification and experience

We welcome applications **ONLY** from suitable Caymanians and Status holders, should apply by August 30, 2020 **NO OTHERS WILL BE CONSIDERED**

Please mail CV to:
ITC International Ltd
PO Box 11807 Grand Cayman KY1-1009
Cayman Islands
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GoDaddy Online Services Cayman Islands Ltd. is seeking a **Registrar Mobile Applications Designer** to join our Development team.

Responsibilities include:

- Work with a close-knit team to design, develop, enhance and maintain the next generation of registrant focused applications for the Android system.
- Work at all levels of application development including planning, design, development, deployment, testing, bug fixing and customer support.
- Work with huge data sets, and tight deadlines.

Applicants should possess:

- Bachelor and/or Master's degree in Computer Science or Information Systems.
- A minimum of 5 years experience working as an Android Developer.
- A minimum of 5 years of experience designing and launching major mobile application projects.
- Must be up-to-speed with the latest frameworks and design trends.
- Expert knowledge of iOS SDK, Xcode, Swift, and Objective-C. Knowledge and experience with Alamofire, Xcode Server, Scrum, Git, TDD, and CocoaPods is also required.
- Familiar with web and mobile prototyping tools.
- Experience working in cross-functional teams.
- Comfortable with a fast-paced, rapidly-changing, and multi-platform environment.

A competitive health and benefits package is offered. Salary to commensurate with experience, in the range of \$85,000 to \$95,000 US dollars annually.

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The **High School** invites applications from fully qualified, enthusiastic and experienced individuals to join our high-performing Support for Learning Faculty immediately for the following post:

Teaching / Learning Assistant - Support for Learning (SfL) SEN

Reporting to the Coordinator of Support for Learning, the SfL Teaching / Learning Assistant will work to enhance student learning, by supporting in Years 7 – 11, developing effective learning strategies, enabling students to reach their potential in the core subject areas.

Duties will include, but will not be limited to:

- Provide in class support for students in Year 7 – 11;
- Plan collaboratively with teachers, developing and executing individualized programmes of study to enhance the learning of students;
- Develop differentiated resources to support students with identified learning needs;
- Participate in appraising the needs of students with learning difficulties by monitoring student progress;
- Take on the role of 'Learning Mentor', monitor individual student progress using data provided and assist with setting realistic targets;
- Liaise with teachers over factors affecting individual student needs;
- Work in a team, helping teachers to provide the Year 7-13 exam accommodations;
- Develop resources and advise the SfL Coordinator regarding the need for any specialist equipment, materials and books;
- Work with parents/guardians to foster continued home/school partnerships;
- Disseminate relevant information to staff in a timely and effective manner;
- Undertake any other training that may be considered relevant to the job;
- Participate in a wide range of extra-curricular activities.

Qualifications, experience and skills required:

- A degree in a relevant subject area, such as Mathematics and/or Science and/or English and/or Humanities;
- An internationally recognized teaching qualification, such as PGCE or BEd is preferred;
- Minimum of two years' experience supporting students with learning needs in a school environment at High School level;
- Passionate about facilitating student learning skills with creative and innovative ideas
- Specific training in SEN is desirable;
- A robust understanding of learning support strategies and the emotional and physical development of the student;
- Proficient in using Management Information Systems, such as SIMS and Microsoft Office products, especially MS Word and Excel;
- Must have the ability to maintain a high level of confidentiality;
- Must have excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Prior experience in a multicultural international school environment is an advantage;

Candidates will be expected to fully adhere to and support the Christian ethos of the school

The salary range is: **CI\$24,000 – CI\$35,000** per annum and will be commensurate with experience. Other benefits include medical insurance and contribution to a pension plan.

Further information about the school can be viewed on the school website www.cayprep.edu.ky. **APPLICATIONS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF SUBMITTED ON THE RELEVANT APPLICATION FORM** (available on the website) and forwarded along with the covering letter and CV to:

Mr. Karl Murphy, High School Principal
P.O. Box 10013
Grand Cayman KY1-1001
Cayman Islands
hs-recruitment@cayprep.edu.ky

Deadline for receipt of applications: Friday, September 11th, 2020



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The **High School** invites applications from fully qualified, enthusiastic and experienced candidates to join our high-performing team immediately for the following position:

TEACHER - ENGLISH

The successful candidate must have a degree in English Literature, an internationally recognised teaching qualification, such as a PGCE, a Bachelor of Education or H.Dip.Ed in English and a minimum of two to three years' current experience teaching English and English Literature at Key Stages 3, 4 (GCSE) and 5 (A-Level).

In addition to the requirements for the position listed above, the successful candidate:

- Must be an excellent classroom practitioner with creative and innovative ideas, committed to achieving high academic standards and passionate about creating a stimulating and student-centred learning environment;
- Must have recent teaching experience in the relevant subject and up to date knowledge of the British National Curriculum especially regarding the CIE/WJEC syllabus to A-level and have a proven record of high achievement/value added results;
- Must have excellent communication skills, both oral and written, and can differentiate learning to meet the learning needs of each student;
- Must have the ability to work collaboratively, while managing multiple priorities, setting and meeting appropriate targets, be solution driven and be a positive force of good at the school;
- Must have experience with SIMS and be fully IT literate;
- Must be willing to drive and support a wide range of school-related activities;
- Must understand character based learning and be able to deliver using an individual learning plan for every child;
- Will be expected to fully adhere to and support the Christian ethos of the school.

Prior experience teaching in a multicultural international school environment is an advantage.

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Salary range for this position is: **CI\$43,500 – CI\$56,000** per annum commensurate with experience based on the School's point salary scale. Other benefits include medical insurance and contribution to a pension plan and relocation allowance, including airfare.

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PARAGON BUILDERS

Is currently inviting experienced applicants for the position of:

Quantity Surveyor

The Quantity Surveyor will work to ensure accurate quantities and cost estimates based on those quantities and obtain bids from subcontractors, along with preparing bid packages for construction contracts.

Responsibilities will include:

- Estimation of material quantities based on construction drawings in order to calculate the quantities of materials to procure.
- Review Client tenders/RFQ's, attend negotiation meetings, estimate quantities and perform rate analysis to submit tenders in effort to procure contracts.
- Prepare weekly/monthly bills based on work done on site.
- Material reconciliation statements based on the quantity of materials received, used, balance and waste.
- Prepare monthly cost, progress and cashflow reports.
- Manage costs to ensure the initial budget does exceed plan.
- Valuation reporting based on detailed information pertaining to the cost of elements of work on a periodic basis to enable payment for those works carried out to date.
- Reconcile changes and assist the general contractor to ensure accurate data.
- Manage Cost impact / contingency management and commitment tracking logs.
- Communicate or meet with general contractor and owner project manager to gather status information to prepare cost estimate updates.
- Ensure that final accounts are negotiated and agreed in a timely manner.

Requirements:

- Familiarity of industrial construction estimating life cycle and coordination with sales, engineering, and contracts departments.
- Knowledge of MEP systems.
- Previous experience in Estimating for construction projects preferred.
- Minimum 2 years of experience in a construction environment.
- BSc (Hons) in Quantity Surveying.

Monthly Salary: CI \$5000-6000 per month

Send resumes to info@paragon.ky

ITC International Ltd.

Is in need of:

Granite Installer

Knowledge:

- Knowledge of use of cutting and fabricating machinery for granite and quartz
- Must have at least 5 years of working experience
- Must be able to read drawings and plans and put it into fabrication

Skills:

- Must have good communication skills, punctual and reliable
- High level of skills and workmanship
- Must be able to take and read accurate measurements

Abilities:

- Must be physically fit; job requires lifting of granite and quartz slabs
- Must be able to work under pressure and be able to work fast and efficient to meet client's deadlines

Description of Job:

- Employee will be assigned to cutting and fabricating countertops and vanities as per client's specification from granite and quartz slabs

Qualifications:

- Must have at least 5 years of working experience
- Must have own transportation
- Previous experience with installation and fabrication of stone materials such as Granite, Marble, Quartz, etc.
- Previous experience in operating and using Bridge Saws specifically HeSheng HSM-600 model and forklift

Salary to commensurate with qualifications and experience between CI\$9.00-15.00 per hour

Benefits are in accordance with the Cayman Islands Health Insurance, Pension Laws and Vacation.

Interested Caymanians and Permanent Residents should apply by 30th of August, 2020

Please send resumes to
Human Resources
International Tile Co.
PO Box 11807
Grand Cayman KY1-1009
Cayman Islands
hr@itctile.net

Whitefalls Energy

Job requirements

Project Manager with over 10 years of solar construction and development. Experience with projects in Africa, the Caribbean, and the United States. Must have an Agile Software Scrum Master Certification, OSHA/10/30 training and have experience with MS Project/P6, Safety Management Systems, Quality Management Systems, Environmental Management Systems, and Heavy Jobs. Experienced with scheduling and budgeting commercial and utility-scale solar construction projects, while ensuring milestones and deliverables are met through the life of the project. Experienced in leading project teams while working in partnership with Field Management to build safe, high quality, profitable projects, while beating the estimated budgets and improving the total Operating Profit margin over the original bid.

- Reviewed, analyzed and summarized acquisition and finance documents for power projects.
- Site Managed EPC contractors for the purchase and installation photovoltaic solar PV project of a 25MW Solar farm with a budget of \$35M.
- Managed directly project-staffing needs, awarded EPC sales orders until the warranty hand-over to different group or Business Unit.
- Managed the process to secure PPA with Utility companies/Municipalities and end user clients.
- Managed Commercial/Sales deliverables with business teams regarding material cost estimates, construction labor rates/ratios, standardized budget/time studies for self-performed work, supported estimates from multiple quotes from audited and qualified EPC and for subcontracted work
- Developed relationships with a network of EPC contractors, subcontractors, service providers, labor agencies, while building strategic partnerships in markets of focus and growth and other markets as opportunities with existing/potential clients arise.
- Managed weekly internal meetings with staff and sub-contractors to manage priorities and ensure optimal utilization of time resources to prevent any gaps or missed deliverables.

QUALIFICATION

- Bachelor's Degree/Masters with 10 years of experience in PV Development and Construction
- Demonstrated success in the Project Management function of a construction firm.
- Demonstrated success managing subcontractors and developing and executing innovative project changes.
- Demonstrated success developing cost to completes, costing and pricing Change Orders, and maximizing profits.
- Background in project start-up meetings, subcontractor and vendor buyouts, owner estimates, sub / vendor requisitions and cost to completes.
- Entrepreneurial with a well-rounded business perspective.
- Excellent teamwork, communication and people skills a must.
- Has a solid time management system and demonstrates excellent organizational skills.
- Working Knowledge of MS Word, Excel, P3/P6 Primavera and Expedition software.
- Basic knowledge of HCSS, AGTEK, AIA software and PeopleSoft systems is a plus.
- Must be open to travel or relocation

Salary \$120,000 per year

Email resumes to: info@whitefallsenergy.com



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The **Primary School** invites applications from fully qualified, enthusiastic and experienced candidates to join our high-performing team **September 2020** for the following position:

TEACHING / LEARNING ASSISTANT (Key Stage 1 & 2)

The successful candidate will be responsible for assisting the Classroom Teacher with teaching and learning as well as with other aspects of school life.

Duties will include, but will not be limited to:

- Provide support and guidance for students to develop knowledge, skills and understanding across the curriculum;
- Present learning tasks and curriculum content in a clear and stimulating manner;
- Develop secure subject knowledge and an understanding of how students learn, by observation of and with guidance from the teacher and other staff members;
- Identify and respond appropriately to individual differences between students;
- Assess students' attainment and progress;
- Create and maintain a stimulating and supportive learning environment;
- Build and maintain positive relationships with all members of the school community;
- Participate in a wide range of extra-curricular activities, including the School's After School Care.

Qualifications, experience and skills required:

- A degree or qualification in Education (preferred) or currently working towards a qualification in Education;
- Minimum of two years' experience working with children in Mathematics and English in Key Stage 2 within a school environment;
- Experience of working within the revised English National Curriculum (2014) is preferred;
- Passionate about facilitating student learning skills with creative and innovative ideas;
- Fully proficient in using Management Information Systems (SIMS) and Microsoft Office products, especially MS Word and Excel;
- Must have excellent written and verbal communication skills;
- Prior experience in a multicultural international school environment is an advantage;
- Candidates will be expected to fully adhere to and support the Christian ethos of the school.

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The salary range for the Teaching / Learning Assistant is **CI\$24,000 to \$35,000** per annum commensurate with experience. Other benefits include medical insurance and contribution to a pension plan.

Further information about the school can be viewed on the school website: www.cayprep.edu.ky. **APPLICATIONS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF SUBMITTED ON THE SCHOOL'S RELEVANT APPLICATION FORM** (available on the website) and forwarded along with a covering letter and CV to:

Robin Davies, Primary School Principal
Cayman Prep and High School
PO Box 10013
Grand Cayman KY1-1001
Email: ps-recruitment@cayprep.edu.ky

Deadline for receipt of applications: Friday, September 4th, 2020
Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.



Senior Project Manager

CUC is an equal opportunity Company with over 230 employees who are committed to meeting the electrical needs of Grand Cayman and to providing quality customer service.

Reporting to the Manager Engineering & Business Development, the successful candidate will be responsible for:

- ▶ performing the duty of Project Manager and assembling and managing multi-disciplinary project teams on medium to large projects such as power generation expansions, renovations, building additions, new substations, mechanical/civil/electrical engineering projects, etc.;
- ▶ supervising project support staff and their responsibilities within the Engineering Services & Business Development Department;
- ▶ providing project management and engineering support to all departments within the Company as required;
- ▶ developing Company Project Management standards and practices;
- ▶ developing new and revising existing business processes that support the mission, goals, objectives and assigned projects of the Company;
- ▶ assisting with developing and implementing reporting requirements for the group including reliability, efficiency, health, safety, environmental, legal requirements, etc.;
- ▶ identifying and implementing improvements to the safety, reliability and efficiency of existing assets through developing scope of works, engineering design specifications and detailed engineering design.

Applicants must possess a Bachelor's degree in Electrical, Mechanical, Industrial or Civil Engineering or similar qualification; 15 or more years experience in engineering and project management of industrial construction or a production environment and/or optimization projects; five or more years experience working with electric utilities and PMP certification or similar Project Management training.

Salary is from CI\$5,938 to CI\$8,314 per month.

CUC offers a very competitive benefits package including pension, health and life insurance as well as training opportunities. Caymanians, Cayman Status holders and permanent residents need only apply. To apply, visit the Company's website (www.cuc-cayman.com), click on the tab "Careers" on the Home Page, navigate to "Job Opportunities", click on the designated job title and follow the instructions. Applications must be submitted not later than **Friday, September 11, 2020**. Applications through recruitment agencies will not be accepted. Only candidates who are short-listed will be contacted for an interview.



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