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By Christopher Tobutt

48 proud new recruits made it through the first stage of their programme, and showed off what they had learned in front of proud parents, brothers and sisters at the Clifton Hunter High School, during the official passing out parade on Saturday 23 April.

Hon. Sabrina Turner, Minister of Health, Wellness & Home Affairs presided as the Reviewing Officer, and they showed exactly how drill should be done, first with a slow march past, first in slow time and then in quick time,

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The 2022 Spring Labour Force Survey (LFS) will be conducted by the Economics and Statistics Office (ESO) starting Sunday, 1st May 2022.

The LFS collects data on the employed and unemployed persons, as well as those who are not in the labour force.

Trained interviewers, with identification cards from the ESO will visit 2,000 randomly selected households in all districts.

The interviews are confidential in accordance with the Statistics Act (2016 Revision). No individual data will be published or disclosed. Survey data are exempt from Freedom of Information requests.



For further information on any aspect of the survey, please contact the **ESO hotline 516-3329**.

CAYMAN CONVERSATIONS COMING TO CAYMANIAN TIMES AND BOBO 98.1FM

Caymanian Times launches its latest media venture on Tuesday May 3rd with a new multi-platform talkshow called Cayman Conversations.

Cayman Conversations will be live on Cayman's newest radio station BOBO 98.1 FM twice weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1pm and replayed at 8pm on both days.

As the name suggests, this will be a series of conversations about people, projects, business issues and community causes throughout the Cayman Islands.

Cayman Conversations will feature one-on-one interviews with a wide cross-section of community organisations, business representatives, and government officials covering a range of topical issues and projects that they are responsible for.

Ralph Lewis - the publisher of Caymanian Times newspaper, will host the new programme.

He says it adds another dimension to the growing variety of content under the

Caymanian Times banner and will aim to highlight the best of Cayman from the private sector, the public sector, and our civic organisations.

"There are good causes and great initiatives that deserve to be highlighted in Cayman, and many people with good ideas that we need to hear from. That's what Cayman Conversation is all about," Mr Lewis enthuses. "It's about bringing a fresh - and refreshing - perspective."

In addition to the live radio show on BOBO 98.1 FM on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1 pm, Cayman Conversations will also be live-streamed on the Cayman Times Facebook and YouTube pages, with reviews in the Wednesday and Friday editions of Caymanian Times newspaper.

Bookings have already been confirmed for the coming weeks with guests from businesses, government departments and community organisations.

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► Superintendent Brad Ebanks, Commissioner Derek Byrne, and Detective Superintendent Pete Lansdown

Police appeal for witnesses in killing of retired prison officer



► Police Commissioner Derek Byrne

By Christopher Tobutt

Shortly before 8:30PM on Monday 25 April, police and emergency services were dispatched to a report of a shooting incident at a commercial premises at 190 School Road, George Town. On arrival at the address, the police located a 62 year old male lying unresponsive on the floor with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to his head. He has since been named as Harry Elliott, a retired prison officer who is married, with grownup children and who is a resident of George Town South.

Emergency services attended the location and the man was transported to the Cayman Islands Hospital where he was pronounced deceased by the doctor on duty.

Police Commissioner Derek Byrne appealed to the public for help in finding out anything about the killing, so that the dangerous criminals might get caught as quickly as possible.

"The appeal we are making tonight is to the community. The premises on 190 School Road is in a very densely populated area, and there were a lot of people around, but we don't have a lot of witness cooperation from the community and we are anxious to get as much feedback as possible. From CCTV footage we can see Mr. Elliott entering the premises at 8.02 PM, and at 8.08 PM we can see two males running from the scene on Eastern Avenue School Road towards McField Square, so there is a six minute period from the time of entry to the suspects leaving the scene.

We believe there were a large number of people in and around that particular area at that time, and so we are making an appeal to members of the community to speak to us and to provide any information you can to assist us in our investigation, no matter how insignificant it might appear, please report it to our incident room number 649-2930" There is also a confidential tip line, at 949-7777, or information can be submitted through Cayman Crime Stoppers.

"There is a large amount of CCTV evidence involved," Commissioner Byrne said. "The preliminary indications are it was a robbery that went wrong. We have a group of six persons, loosely associated, operating in smaller groups and committing the robberies.

We see a common feature, a thread coming through in that stolen cars are used, they are abandoned in close proximity to the robbery and then the suspects leave in a different vehicle. We have a number of strands of various investigations that are ongoing at the moment, and that's where we stand in relation to the robberies. Ten of them have involved firearms since the start of the year," Commissioner Byrne commented. None of the businesses located at the premises reported that any money was stolen from them, and Mr. Elliott was not robbed, either.

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MAY 2022

CUC is taking to the streets again in West Bay on **Saturday, May 21, 2022** for a fun run and walk as we raise money for the Sunrise Adult Training Centre and Cayman Athletics (formerly the Cayman Islands Athletic Association (CIAA). Everyone is welcome to join us.

Course: Starts and ends at Ristorante Pappagallo, Conch Point Road, West Bay.

Start Time: 6:30 a.m. (Walkers) and 6:45 a.m. (Runners). Check-in time starts at 5:30 a.m. (to receive numbers (all participants) and race chips (for runners).

Fee: **CI\$15** Adults and **CI\$10** Youth (Under 17).

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- 4) Forms can also be dropped-off and payments made by cash or cheque (payable to CUC) at CUC's Administration Building on North Sound Road between **Monday, May 2 and Thursday, May 19 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.** Participants who register online can also collect their t-shirts and 'power' bag from CUC between May 2 and May 19. **Note: There will be no registration on the day of the event.**

Amenities: First 300 participants to register will receive a t-shirt (sizes are not guaranteed), participation medal and 'power' bag. Light refreshments will be provided and trophies for the fastest and second fastest male and female finishers in the Adult and Youth (Under 17) divisions will be presented at the end of the event along with a number of **Spot Prizes** including vouchers for Cayman Airways and CUC Gift Certificates (you have to be present to win).

Contacts: CUC's Pat Bynoe-Clarke (914-1107), Japhia Augustine (914-1136) and Neil Murray (914-1110) or e-mail communications@cuc.ky or Cayman Athletics' Cydonie Mothersill (928-2726) and Kenrick Williams (925-1943) or e-mail ciaageneralsecretary@gmail.com.



Government Seeks to Prosecute Stipend Fraudsters



An inadvertent data breach at the Ministry of Border Control & Labour has identified suspected fraud by a number of recipients of the Displaced Tourism Employees Stipend.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Border Control & Labour Hon. Chris Saunders said, "While I was very unhappy with the clerical error that led to the inadvertent data breach, since then we have had several reports of allegations of fraud made against recipients of the stipend which is a matter of serious concern. My team has been working hard to identify cases of suspected fraud which have now been referred to the RCIPS, Financial Crimes Investigation Unit for full investigation, with the intention of prosecution."

Deputy Premier Saunders made reference to the self-reporting survey conducted by the Ministry of Border Control & Labour since taking over responsibility for the disbursement of the stipend payments in January of this year.

That survey relied on recipients' honesty regarding listing their updated employment status, with a goal of removing those who had gained full-time employment since the gradual reopening of the tourism industry, following its complete shutdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the last survey, over 600 people who answered the survey shared that they had obtained full-time employment since the start of the year, and in February of this year were moved to a reduced payment schedule that would cease after three months. However, the vast majority of recipients remained on the list at full payment.

The Deputy Premier said, "While I am sure that the vast number of recipients truly require assistance, unfortunately, there are members of our society that are hellbent on getting money for doing nothing. That mindset is un-Caymanian. The fact that some of the people who reported suspected fraud offences are family members, confirms that we still live in a society where people value decency and honesty. Individuals that seek to defraud the Government are essentially stealing public funds which could be put to better use assisting those who are truly vulnerable and in need of help."

The Deputy Premier also stated, "I am however comforted by the fact that since

my Ministry took over responsibility for this programme and administered the survey in February, there are some persons that have come forward to return stipend payments made to them as they had obtained full-time employment, or perhaps received a payment to their account in error. We are grateful to those who chose to be honest and who have been keen on doing their part to ensure that monies were prioritised for those still in need."

He continued, "We also discovered that there were four persons incarcerated at HMPS Northward that were being paid the stipend, at least one of whom was already in prison when the stipend was instituted. One has since been released, but the others are currently in prison and were receiving monthly payments up to March 2022."

The tourism stipend started in 2020 under the auspices of the Ministry of Tourism, which at the time conducted registration surveys to collect information to determine eligibility for the payments. The criteria required that applicants provide sworn declarations regarding their employment and financial status.

The widespread and disturbing allegations of fraud have raised major concerns with the Deputy Premier. He said, "I know that the tourism stipend began as an emergency measure and I support-

ed the previous Government's decision to provide much needed assistance to thousands of families that were financially impacted by the global pandemic overnight. This was the right thing to do then, it is the right thing to do now, and we shouldn't let those who seek to exploit the scheme for financial gain detract from the goodness of this programme, as a lot of our people still require assistance. Many of our people did the right thing by reporting cases of suspected fraud, and their courage and decency now requires us to act. We cannot afford to sweep this under the rug."

The Deputy Premier noted that funds for the tourism stipend programme have been approved until June 2022 and strongly encouraged any persons who are receiving the stipend, and who do not meet the criteria for legitimate claims, to voluntarily remove themselves from the recipient list.

Another survey has now been launched and is mandatory for all recipients of the stipend; a link to this survey has been emailed to all stipend recipients. This survey will be available from 25 April until 6 May, and is mandatory in order for May payments to be processed.

For further information, or to report suspicions of fraudulent activities relating to the payment of the stipend, email stipend@gov.ky or call 649-6932.

Seven Mile Securities Supports Cayman Women's Rugby 2022 Bahamas Tour



Seven Mile Securities is delighted to be supporting the Cayman Women's Rugby team - which will be competing in the RAN 7's in Nassau, Bahamas on the 23-24th April 2022.

This tournament is the first international rugby tournament in over two years due to Covid 19 and is a qualification tournament for the Rugby World Cup 7's 2022 and Commonwealth Games 2022.

Sponsorship funds will contribute to enable the team to travel to the tournament and represent the Cayman Islands.

Women's rugby is one of the fastest growing sports in the world. Over 2.7 million girls and women currently play rugby with these numbers increasing rapidly. This team is part of a unique, fearless group of girls and women who challenge themselves mentally and physically by playing rugby.

Seven Mile Securities Director, Daniel Falkenberg said: "We would like to congratulate the coaches, management and players - who are working hard on and off the field preparing for an exciting year ahead. We wish them the best of luck in the Bahamas competition"



► Minister Turner, as Reviewing Officer, inspected the Cadets



► There were lots of proud moments for moms, dads, brothers and sisters

Cayman's Cadets complete the first stage of training



► Quick-time march past



► CDT Walter McLaughlin receives his Army Proficiency Certificate

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as their military band played. All the cadets from the different platoons looked so smart as they gave an 'eyes right' salute to the Minister.

The Cayman Islands Cadets' training is broken up into four 'star' designations, so that this is not the end, but only really the beginning, with the cadets set to gain more 'stars' as they continue their training, one of the most important parts of the training focusing on dress and deportment, the next being drill. "It is not one of those experiences we could call a 'walk in the park', but it is only achieved through hard work, dedication, discipline and focus. Drill is

the basic element they instill in cadets, how to stand still, how to move and work as a team, it is said that the purpose of drill is to produce a cadet that is proud, alert and obedient," the MC commented.

Ms. Turner then inspected all the cadets, before delivering her remarks. "Today marks a significant milestone in each and every one of your careers as members of the Cadet corps both as cadets and as adult leaders. I am sure that there were some days when you just wanted to give up, but look you made it to this stage, and, without your own perseverance and the camaraderie of your peers this would definitely not have been possible," she

said. "There is a saying that, 'The race is not for the swift but for those who endure to the end.' Success comes through constant learning and development which is what is displayed here this evening, and for that, ladies and gentlemen, please join me in extending my heartfelt congratulations. I commend you on your turnout this evening and encourage you to aim for higher standards. Carry yourself with respect and integrity. You represent not only the Cayman Islands cadet corps, but the families who have supported you through training.

Each of the recruits repeated the Cadets Pledge before the awards section of the ceremony began. Each of the 48 Cadets came

forward to receive their certificates. The award for Layman E. Scott Detachment's Best Recruit was presented to CDT Bretanie Mullings, and Triple C's best recruit was CDT Kashlyn Bodden. Clifton Hunter's Best Recruit was CDT Marian Dehane, John Gray's Best Recruit was CDT Eleweanya Ikenna, and George Town Primary's Best Recruit was CDT Alaisha Williams.

Overall, CDT Rankin Kayleigh was presented with the award for Best Recruit in Drill, while CDT Mikayla Thames gained the award for Best Recruit in Academics. Finally the Most Outstanding Recruit award was presented to CDT Bretanie Mullings.



► The Cadets on parade at Clifton Hunter High School playing field



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J'ouvert, like carnival has a historical and cultural history. The ritual is more than just a celebration of music, costumes, revelry, and dance. It is steeped in the history of black enslavement and the emancipation of Africans around the region.

J'ouvert – pronounced jou-vay – is a French creole word derived from the original word "Jour Ouvert" meaning dawn or daybreak. It evolved from the festivities of Canboulay (Cannes Brulées meaning burnt cane) in the 1800's in Trinidad. As the history goes, Canboulay comes from the times when the sugar cane fields caught on fire and the enslaved men were forced to harvest the remaining crop before complete destruction and loss.

To commemorate emancipation, people took to the streets in outlandish mockery of their former masters with horns, pan and drums of their own, reclaiming Can-

boulay. The banning of the celebrations spawned the Canboulay riots and so the celebration was then reborn as J'ouvert.

Today, J'ouvert is celebrated throughout the Caribbean region and all over the world at various times of the year, each one in conjunction with the carnivals of their respective jurisdiction.

Carnival and J'ouvert go hand in hand, so it was only fitting and a natural progression that the Cayman Carnival Batabano Board introduced J'ouvert to our annual carnival festivities six (6) years ago.

Getting ready for J'ouvert, while the rest of the world seems to sleep peacefully feels like you are in on a secret that no one knows but you. That - in moments - the still of the night will come alive with sweet soca, mud, paint, powder and the revelry, joy and just sweet, sweet madness.

Right here in Cayman, J'ouvert's allure grows more each year because the location remains secret until midnight on J'ouvert morning, each location being more amazing than the year before. This year J'ouvert is slated for Saturday, April 30th. from 4am to 8am just one week before we take to the streets for Batabano.

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► "Hooray for Earth-Day!" The huge team from Butterfield and their families did everyone proud



► The groups at Savannah Newlands

Hundreds keep Cayman beautiful for Earth Day



► Dr. Byron Coon, President of the ICCI was part of a big team who were planting lots of flowers.



► CIMA were so busy keeping Spotts beach beautiful

By Christopher Tobutt

On Saturday morning hundreds of volunteers of all ages put on their gloves and assembled in little groups all over the Cayman Islands, as part of the annual Chamber of Commerce Earth Day Cleanup, and although it was

a day after the official Earth Day which was on Friday 22 April, it is wonderful to see so many dedicated people of all ages, including some quite young children and teenagers, helping keep Cayman beautiful

In Savannah Newlands there were lots of people who came to register in

the ICCI parking-lot where Kaye Car-rig was busy handing out gloves and T-shirts. She is very talented, and had also hand-painted some lovely posters of beautiful underwater animal scenes, especially for Earth-Day. "I think its just wonderful that all these people come out and help the community I hope Minister Kenneth Bryan comes and sees our lovely posters," she said.

Right next-door was a big team of students and staff (and their families) who were not only picking up litter, but were digging lots of holes, ready to plant flowers. The ICCI's President, Dr. Byron Coon said, "We are beautifying the campus, to make it more of a community outreach. All these beautiful plants were donated by the Creative Garden Club."

Spotts Beach is always beautiful, but a large team from the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (CIMA) were making sure it stays that way. They were up and down the length of the beach, reaching into bushes to pick up litter or junk and put it in big black bags. CIMA's Learning and Development Specialist, Michelle Magid said, "We wanted to come out here for Earth day because it was an event sponsored by the Cham-

ber of Commerce and we wanted to show our solidarity with all the other member organizations.

A huge team from Butterfield have been turning up year-after-year, and were helping clean up all round the area between the beginning of South Church Street and the roundabout at Grand Harbour. Marketing Account Manager, Bethany Ebanks-Pacheco said, "I think it's a great initiative for us to continue, because it's a part of our strategy to give back to the community."

At Smith Barcadere, two groups were busy, the Key Club and the Garden Club. Elaine Campbell President of the Garden Club, "its earth day, its cleanup day, we all use this lovely area, and we want to keep it lovely. Unfortunately, many people who do use the area don't bother to pick up after themselves. They want to come here and have a nice, pristine place to come, but they don't contribute to that." Cathy Myles Past-President of the Key Club said, "We recognize that litter is a huge problem, not only within our community but our planet, so we wanted to dedicate this time today to just helping out the environment and getting a hands-on approach to cleaning up all the plastic."



► Even the littlest ones joined in, at Smith Barcadere

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Logic Golf Invitational raises \$20,000 for Meals on Wheels



► Logic Golf Invitational organizers present a check to Meals on Wheels after the tournament raised \$20,000 for the local non-profit, which provides hot, nutritious meals to Cayman's seniors, homebound and disabled.



► Volunteers and organizers gather at the North Sound Club on 1 April for the inaugural Logic Golf Invitational. The event raised \$20,000 for Meals on Wheels. Photo – Wil Bignal



► Nearly two dozen teams comprising 92 golfers raised \$20,000 during the inaugural Logic Golf Invitational. Photo – Wil Bignal

WARNING Preventing Electrical Fires at Home



In the US, home electrical fires account for an estimated 51,000 fires each year, nearly 500 deaths, more than 1,400 injuries and \$1.3 billion in property damage. It is important to be aware of the dangers and potential causes of electrical fires in order to learn how to avoid them.

Electrical malfunction is the leading cause of home fires every year. The most common causes of electrical fires are:

- Faulty electrical outlets, appliance cords, receptacles and switches.
- Light fixtures: Installing a bulb with a wattage that is too high for the lamps and light fixtures is a leading cause of electrical fires.
- Worn or frayed extension cords: Check your cords for cracks and if damaged, worn or frayed, replace them immediately. Do not overload extension cords or outlets.
- Outdated Wiring: If a home is over 20 years old, it may not have the wiring capacity to handle the increased amounts of electrical equipment in today's average home such as TVs, video games, microwaves and air conditioners.

If you have any questions on your homes electrical vulnerability, please consult with a qualified electrician. **Electrical work should only be done by a qualified electrician.**



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Golfers from across Cayman recently hit the greens to drive in \$20,000 for charity at the inaugural Logic Golf Invitational.

One-hundred percent of the tournament's proceeds were donated to Meals on Wheels, a local not-for-profit organization that provides free, hot, nutritious meals to seniors, the homebound and the disabled throughout the Cayman Islands.

"It was an incredible day," Logic Vice-President, Commercial and Customer Care Pamela Ebanks-Small said. "In addition to raising funds and awareness for such an important organization like Meals on Wheels, it was also a great way to raise awareness for our expanding Business Solutions platform. We look forward to many more successful events like this one."

More than 90 players across 23 teams registered for the event, which was held 1 April at the North Sound Golf Club.

"We are so grateful to our friends at Logic for their continued support of Meals on Wheels," said Rob Imparato, Meals on Wheels Chairman. "They are outstanding corporate citizens and true champions of the fight against senior hunger. Thanks also to everyone who participated and donated to MOW. I look forward to improving my golf game so I can join you next year!"

Having been part of the Cayman Islands community for nearly two decades, Logic has played a leadership role in driving key

community initiatives that reflect the company's corporate, social and environmental sustainability commitments. Logic aims to advance the quality of life where its employees and customers work, live and do business.

"The Logic Golf invitational was a community event like no other," Meals on Wheels General Manager Jennifer West said. "The enthusiasm of the organizers and each player was reflected in the funds raised for Meals on Wheels! The incredible efforts helped to raise \$20,000 which Meals on Wheels will utilize to provide 4,000 hot meals and 4,000 hearty soups to seniors in need!"

Organizers would like to thank all of the sponsors and those who participated in the tournament and helped make it a successful event.

As part of Logic's commitment to the community, the company has recently launched Logic Business Solutions, offering the latest and most comprehensive range of networking and security, cloud computing and managed IT solutions to meet the needs of local businesses and provide a gateway to digital transformation.

For more information, contact us at business@logic.ky, call us at (345) 745-5555 or visit our main retail center at 43 Eclipse Drive Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

POLICE NEWS

Search Operation Transitions to Search and Recovery, One Man Arrested



Over this past weekend, 23 - 24 April, the Cayman Islands Coast Guard and RCIPS resumed search efforts for three men who were reported to have fallen overboard from a vessel in the North Sound on Friday, 22 April, without success. During searches on Sunday, 24 April, life vests and other items were recovered from mangroves in the vicinity of Uncle Bob Road, West Bay. However, these have been determined not to be related to the missing men.

As of this morning, 25 April, CICG and RCIPS search operations have transitioned from search and rescue to search and recovery. "Due to the sea conditions and the time elapsed since they first entered the water, it is unlikely that the men will be

found alive, however we remain hopeful," says Commander Robert Scotland of the CICG.

It has been determined that the packages recovered from the water on Friday contain a quantity of ganja, with a total weight (including packaging) of approximately 945lbs.

The man, age 35 of Jamaica, who was recovered from the water on Friday has been released from hospital. He was arrested and has been formally charged with Illegal Landing and Importation of Ganja, and appears in court today, 25 April.

The recovered packages are being forensically processed and will subsequently be scheduled for destruction.

Police Investigate Two Armed Robberies



Shortly after 8:45PM, Sunday 24 April, police responded to a report of an armed robbery outside a premises on Shedden Road, George Town, just west of Eastern Avenue.

A woman had just exited the premises when she was approached by a silver Honda CRV with tinted windows. Two men exited the vehicle, one armed with a handgun, and demanded her handbag. The men took the handbag, which was a light and dark brown checker pattern, and contained the woman's passport, purse, cellphone and other personal items.

The man with the handgun was described as short and slim in stature, with light brown complexion and dressed in black clothing, with long sleeves, balaclava, and black gloves. The second male was tall and muscular with light brown complexion, also

dressed in black clothing, with long sleeves and light green gloves.

The men then returned to the car and fled the location. The woman was not injured during the incident and no shots were fired.

A second armed robbery was reported to police the same night, shortly after 10:00PM, at Dominoes Pizza on Garston Smith Drive, West Bay, where two masked men armed with handguns entered the premises and demanded money from the staff.

During the encounter one of the staff members was struck in the face by one of the masked men, causing a wound.

Both males then left the premises with a quantity of cash.

The staff member that was injured was transferred to the George Town Hospital by ambulance to receive medical attention.

Police believe both armed robberies are connected, and are encouraging anyone that may have witnessed either of these robberies, or has information concerning these incidents, to contact 911.

Alternatively, tips may be submitted through our Confidential Tip Line at 949-7777 or on our website. Anonymous tips may also be submitted through Cayman Crime Stoppers online.

Police investigate murder of 63 year old man



Emergency services attended the location and the man was transported to the Cayman Islands Hospital where he was pronounced deceased by the doctor on duty.

The scene has been cordoned off and police are investigating the incident.

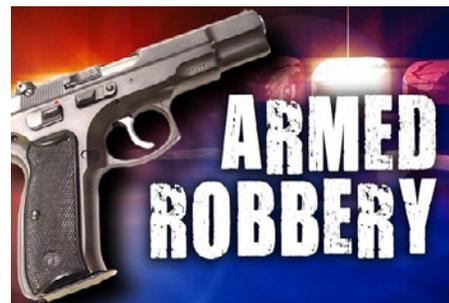
Detectives are appealing to anyone with information about the incident to call the Major Incident Room at 649-2930. Anonymous tips can be provided directly to the RCIPS via our Confidential Tip Line at 949-7777, or via our website <http://www.rcips.ky/submit-a-tip>.

Anonymous tips may also be submitted through Cayman Crime Stoppers online <https://caymancrimestoppers.com/public/SubmitTip>.

Shortly before 8:30P on Monday 25 April, police and emergency services were dispatched to a report of a shooting incident at a commercial premises on School Road, George Town.

On arrival at the address, the police located a 63 year old male lying unresponsive on the floor with what appeared to be a gunshot wound to his head.

Man Arrested in Relation to West Bay Burglary



Later the same day, following further investigations, police attended an address on Selkirk Drive, George Town. Police attempted to speak to a man at the location, but the man fled from the officers, leaving behind a bag. The bag was searched and found to contain items taken during the burglary, which have subsequently been identified by the victims. Efforts continue to locate the man who fled.

At about 3:15AM on Monday, 25 April, officers responded to a report of a burglary at a residence on Powery Road, West Bay. It was reported that one of the occupants of the address confronted a man who had entered. The man then fled to the rear of the premises on foot. Several items were subsequently discovered to be missing from the residence, some of which were later found outside.

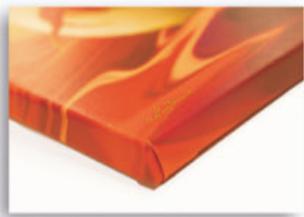
Police then attended another location on Caribbean Lane, West Bay, and conducted a search. Although no further stolen property was recovered, a man at the location, age 42 of West Bay, who fit the description of the suspect in the burglary, was arrested on suspicion of burglary in relation to the incident, in addition to drug offenses, and remains in custody. The incident remains under investigation.



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Maples Group Supports National Gallery Community Outreach Programme



► Sunrise Adult Learning Centre students enjoy an art class at the National Gallery.

The National Gallery of the Cayman Islands (NGCI) is delighted to announce a new partnership with Maples Group to support several community groups across Grand Cayman. The new Community Connections programme offers hands-on art lessons to those who may not have regular access to NGCI, including children from the Bonaventure Boys' Home, Frances Bodden Children's Home, and clients of Sunrise Adult Training Centre.

Following the success of a 2021 pilot project, the programme includes regular art classes delivered at both Bonaventure Boys' Home and Frances Bodden Children's Home. The new programme also re-establishes NG-

CI's longstanding relationship with Sunrise, inviting clients to quarterly Gallery visits for art lessons and exhibition tours. All Community Connections sessions cover art practice, theory, and learning, using local art and cultural themes to support lessons. Beyond these practical skills, the programme also aims to support participants' social and emotional wellbeing by fostering a safe space for self-expression, creative problem solving and stress relief.

In an ongoing commitment to accessibility and inclusion, and through Maples Group's generous sponsorship, sessions are available to participants at no cost. NGCI Education Manager Maia Muttoo explains "The National



Gallery is thrilled to be launching Community Connections through the generous support of Maples. All three organisations under this programme umbrella were keen to introduce or expand creative self-expression and art education opportunities to and in their respective groups; Maples' sponsorship has allowed NGCI to meet this community need. We have already begun delivering sessions, and look forward to continued collaboration with our community partners."

Commenting on the Group's decision to support the Community Connections programme, Laura Chisholm, Senior Vice President and member of the Maples Group Foundation committee, said:

"Providing access to creative outlets and educational resources for all members of our community is something we are passionate about and we are proud of our collaboration with NGCI. We wish the gallery the best of luck in rolling out the programme and are excited to see the artistic outputs of participants as they practice new skills and explore new ways to express themselves."

To learn more about NGCI's education and outreach programmes, visit our website at <https://www.nationalgallery.org.ky/learn/>. For more information or questions on the Community Connections programme, contact education@nationalgallery.org.ky or call 345-945-8111.

Sunrise Adult Learning Centre students enjoy an art class at the National Gallery.



► Director of Sports, Mr. Kurt Hyde (left) with President of the CI Aquatic Sports Association, Mr. Steve Broadbelt alongside the Lions Aquatic Centre's new pool chiller.

The Department of Sports (DOS) has partnered with the Cayman Islands Aquatic Sports Association (CIASA) to install a state-of-the-art pool chiller at the Lions Aquatic Centre.

Purchased by CIASA, DOS paid for the installation and ensured that the chiller system was integrated with the Lions Pool's filtration and electrical circuits.

The pool chiller will keep the 25-meter pool at a comfortable temperature during the hot summer months regardless of the ambient temperature. Other benefits of the new system are that it requires fewer chemicals and reduces evaporation.

Speaking of the upgrade, the association's President, Mr. Steve Broadbelt noted: "This will make a big difference for the athletes and



► The Lions Aquatic Centre now has a state-of-the-art pool chiller, a joint venture of the CI Aquatic Sports Association and the Department of Sports.

their preparation for CARIFTA, CCAN, and the Commonwealth Games this summer."

"We've struggled with this issue and we are grateful for the support from the Department of Sports and the Ministry of Youth, Sports, Culture & Heritage."

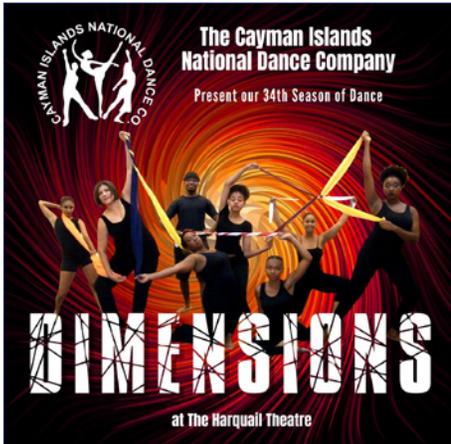
Director of Sports, Mr. Kurt Hyde, said: "The Department of Sports is delighted to have been able to partner with CIASA in this successful venture.

"This is a great example of the kind of collaboration that the Department wants to promote with other associations. The new pool chiller offers a high level of efficiency at relatively low operating costs," he added.

Acting Minister for Youth, Sports, Culture & Heritage, Mr. Isaac Rankine shared: "I thank the Department of Sports, the Ministry and the Cayman Islands Aquatic Sports Association (CIASA) for installing a much-needed pool chiller. This also meets one of the actions outlined in the Government's Strategic Broad Outcomes, particularly Broad Outcome 7 - which states 'to enhance facilities for optimum results'.

The latest Lions Pool upgrade follows the removal of its in-pool lights, now replaced by LED lights, and the installation of new in-cast steps.

CINDCO Presents DIMENSIONS: 34th Season of Dance



“There is a spiritual dimension in everything. All of life has meaning and everything that you do in life is in preparation for your great meeting. This great meeting is your meeting with your Lord, which is absolutely inevitable.” – Hamza Yusuf The Cayman Islands National Dance Company presents DIMENSIONS.

Two years of lockdowns, isolation, masks, an entirely changed way of life has been our crucible to examine beneath the surface of events and experiences both locally and worldwide. People going missing and no leads for years, young people

losing their lives, birth, joy, death and so many of the moments in between the bookends of life.

This is our 34th Annual Dance Performance, and takes place Mother’s Day weekend, signaling a return to our show season roots (24 of 33 seasons were held in May). This year’s show is about some of the things that we saw, thought about, and were moved by in the past couple of years. At the heart of it, both the new and legacy pieces reflect our dancers’ processing of a pandemic, human interest stories ripped from the news headlines, and the power of the human spirit under difficult circumstances. Even in the midst of such deep reflection, we always find ways to celebrate life through dance.

We are always grateful for the dancers, their families, and our enthusiastic audiences. We can’t wait to show you Dimensions!

Join us at the Harquail Theatre on Saturday, May 7th (7pm) or Sunday, May 8th (5pm). This year’s show is proudly sponsored by: A R C Directors, Vy’s Closet, and Audiophile Cayman.

For tickets or more information please call 926-1826.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

The Commissions Secretariat Relocates to George Town Financial Center

The Commissions Secretariat is moving to a new, larger office space to accommodate a growing staff complement, and to facilitate its continued service to the six Commissions it supports which include the Anti-Corruption Commission, the Civil Service Appeals Commission, the Commission for Standards in Public Life, the Constitutional Commission, the Human Rights Commission, and the Judicial and Legal Services Commission.

The Commissions Secretariat was established in 2010 under the Office of the Deputy Governor in support of the independent entities established by the 2009 Constitution referred to as “Institutions Supporting Democracy.” The Secretariat will leverage its new office space to provide internal operational efficiencies with further room for growth.

“We are looking forward to relocating to our new office space,” said Marilyn Conolly, Manager of the Commissions Secretariat. “This location in central George Town allows us to enhance our accessibility to the general public and this move represents our continued unwavering commitment to supporting the work of our Commissions.”

The new office address for the Commissions Secretariat, as of Tuesday, 3rd May 2022, will be:

4th Floor, George Town Financial Center
90 Fort Street
P.O. Box 391
George Town, KY1-1106
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Phone: 345-244-3685

About the Commissions Secretariat

The Commissions Secretariat was established in 2010 under the Office of the Deputy Governor to provide support to the independent entities established by the 2009 Constitution as “Institutions Supporting Democracy.” The Commissions Secretariat aims to maintain the independence and integrity of the various constitutionally created commissions to which the Secretariat provides strategic, analytic, research, and administrative support. The Secretariat is led by a Manager who is supported by a team of Investigators, Analysts/Administrators, and other Administrative Officers; a professional team encompassing a wide-range of academic qualifications and diverse professional experiences.

The Secretariat strives to uphold principles of accountability and transparency in its commitment to ethically sound managerial strategies and operating procedures. It further seeks to enhance public education as it relates to democracy in general; a cross-cutting goal for all commissions. For more information visit www.commissionssecretariat.gov.ky

Planned Works – Grackle Road Upgrade

Water Authority – Cayman wishes to advise its valued customers and the motoring public of planned works to upgrade the water supply infrastructure along **Grackle Road** (off Godfrey Nixon Way). Preliminary work began the week of 18 April, and the project will **continue through mid-May**. Work will take place on **weekdays between 7:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.**

Traffic management measures will be in place during the works, with signs directing the traffic flow. Motorists are encouraged to drive with caution when they are

in the area to protect their safety and the safety of the Water Authority’s staff.

Customers in the area may experience service outages throughout the work. The Authority will make every effort to give advanced notice related to outages. Customers can visit our website www.waterauthority.ky for outage notices.

The Water Authority appreciates the patience and understanding of its customers and the public as it undertakes these works and apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause.

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In 2020, Cayman's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) contracted for the first time since 2010, declining by 5.7%.

Year	Growth (%)
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2008	-0.4%
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2012	1.2%
2013	1.3%
2014	2.7%
2015	2.8%
2016	3.2%
2017	3.2%
2018	4.3%
2019	3.9%
2020	-5.7%

How did this change in 2021?

The annual System of National Accounts (SNA) survey collects the information necessary to measure the health and performance of Cayman’s economy and its various industries.

The survey runs April 11th to June 17th, 2022.

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National Trust Week Highlights



From exploration of opportunities in the metaverse to a youth panel advocating for a seat at the table to discuss national policies that affect young people, the 35th Anniversary Celebration Week of the **National Trust for the Cayman Islands (NTCI)** started with a dynamic all-day Conference on Tuesday April 19th. The stellar list of local and international speakers included **Fabien Cousteau** who, like his world-renowned grandfather, Jacques Cousteau, kept the audience spell-bound with his keynote speech, and Caribbean Economist Marla Dukharan's casting of a bright light into the virtual world of NFTs. H.E. the Governor Mr. Martyn Roper provided opening remarks, as well as conveyed a congratulatory message to the National Trust from His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales. The Honourable Premier Wayne Panton in his remarks shared the crucial relevance of an organization like the National Trust to the community and the vital importance of participating in and supporting Cayman's sustainability and resiliency programmes.

Other highlights of the Conference included a **lifestyle panel** which dazzled the audience with a presentation by designer **Taryn Larock** on how fashion can be sustainable by converting "ghost nets" from the oceans into swimwear, and an outstanding one by designer **Isy Obi** which was fascinating as it even showed how the incorporation of technology such as QR codes in clothing design can share Cayman's stories with the world. There was also a robust panel discussion on what is needed for protection of built heritage and highlighted as essential pieces of Cayman's heritage featuring **Natalie Urquhart, Arthurlyn Pedley and Simon Boxall**. Attendees were treated to a medley of folk songs by **Dequan Smith** on the cello, 2019 young musician of the year, accompanied by **Frances McConvey** on keyboard. A special thank you to **Lisa Scott**, great-grand daughter of the composer of our National Song, who sang our National Song beautifully, it was an incredible honour. Bella Rooney from 'Protecting Paradise' was on site interviewing attendees and there is much more

to look forward to in the coming weeks as the National Trust will be showcasing video highlights of the conference.

The following day the NTCI hosted "**Selling Mangroves**" in the form of a free lunch and learn aimed at educating and inspiring members of the real estate and development industry along with interested members of the public on natural capital accounting, blue carbon, and the incorporation of mangroves into luxury and sustainable development. This seminar was supported by the **Mangrove Rangers** and the **Ambassadors of the Environment** who demonstrated the value of mangroves through the ecosystem services that they provide.

Chairman of the National Trust, Olson Anderson shared "As we celebrate 35 years, my vision is for the Trust to build membership, however not just members on paper but individuals who are actively engaged in and understand the work we do. The conference sessions provided much food for thought on the strategic direction of the NTCI for the next few years".

Executive Director for the National Trust, Annick Jackman stated "The staff poured their heart into these two days of community education because we feel strongly that part of our legacy is to provide dynamic and stimulating conversations to the public so they are inspired to see and appreciate the value of an entity such as the National Trust and therefore feel compelled to engage with us in new ways. We are thankful to all our sponsors who made this possible".

A heartfelt thank you to all of our sponsors for NTCI Conference Day: CIBC First-Caribbean International Bank our refreshments sponsor, Aureum Re our PPE station sponsor, AVS Audio Video Solutions for AV and Tech support, and Blue House Marketing for marketing support. A huge thank you to our event sponsors, Cayman First, T.H.E. Merren Design, Jupiter Block, and CUC for sponsoring student tickets.

A special thank you also to event sponsors for our Mangroves Lunch and Learn, Cayman Islands Mangroves Rangers, CUC, KPMG and Saxon.

Island Nations and Sustainability: The Cousteau Legacy at the National Trust Conference



By **Georgia Austin**

The National Trust of the Cayman Islands commenced its weeklong celebration of its 35th anniversary on 19 April, with the National Trust Conference Day at the Marriott Hotel. Members of the public, industry leaders, and high school students were invited to learn from and engage with a variety of pan-

elists, including a keynote speech from deep ocean explorer and environmentally conscious business strategist Fabien Cousteau.

Encompassing the conference theme of 'Legacy' Fabien Cousteau inherited his passion for research surrounding human-ocean connection, biodiversity, and marine life from his grandfather, famed explorer and educator Jacques Cousteau.

Fabien Cousteau's zoom presentation advocated for a bridge in the divide between socio-economic need and environmental sustainability, acknowledging the importance of the ocean in the livelihoods of those existing in the closed-loop system of the world, specifically island nations.

Fixed in this closed-loop, Cayman acutely experiences the crippling effects of plastic pollution, overconsumption of natural resources, and climate change. Whilst these effects continue to occur on a global scale, Cayman does not have the luxury of time or wider support to combat the threats to the marine habitats and biodiversity upon which Cayman's economy hinges. The nation's survival relies on local policy and infrastructure.

Premier Wayne Panton, Minister for Sustainability and Climate Resiliency commented in his opening speech, "The PACT Government is committed to taking a sustainable approach for the social, environmental, and economic value of our islands." Panton emphasised the need to "balance protection, and conservation of the natural environment with the need to develop some of the natural environment for social economic purposes."

With island nations being "the frontline benefactors from the results of our decisions," Fabien Cousteau highlighted that it is also the nation's responsibility to "lead the way for a better tomorrow".

Crediting every other breath that individuals breathe to the ocean, Cousteau referred to marine ecosystems as humanity's "life support system" and acknowledged the work of the National Trust in its role as a significant educator on Cayman's natural environment saying, "Investment in these programmes is an investment in our future."

Cousteau promoted adaptation, diversification, and education as solutions to the threats on the ocean's critical ecosystems. Quoting his grandfather, Cousteau explained, "People protect what they love they love what they understand, and they understand what they are taught."

With a 35-year legacy of conservation, education, and protection, the National Trust embodies the generational sentiments shared by the Cousteau's, advocating for the conservation of the past, education of the present, and the protection of Cayman's future.



John Gray High School hosts Spanish Quiz



By contributor

On Wednesday the 6th of April, the John Gray High School's Spanish Department hosted its 3rd Spanish Quiz Competition spearheaded by the Subject Leader of Spanish, Mrs. Kerita Levermore- Stewart. This was held in the school's gymnasium. The ambience was the quintessence of elegance; graced with an enthusiastic, distinguished, and outstanding audience, which included our Director of DES Mr. Mark Ray and other members of the Ministry of Education, our PTA president Ms. Marva Reid, sponsors, teachers, students, panelists: Ms. Nicole Ebanks, Ms. Erica Gordon, Mrs. Marsha Allan, Mrs. Shelleann Bent- Christian, Mr. Ralston Chamber, Mrs. Leonora Lalor- Brown and Ms. Bicola Perry, competing teams, the teachers of the Spanish Department and community members who added the entertainment flavor, spiced with authentic Latin rhythmic music and dance.

The morning commenced with devotions for guidance from our Heavenly Father. We are grateful for what He has done in giving us another World Class event! Our students at John Gray are quite resilient and could not settle with the academic year 2021/ 2022 ending without a Spanish Quiz Competition. Pursuant to this fact, they studied and worked assiduously with the teachers of Spanish, Mrs. C. Watson, Mrs. J. Jordan, Ms. K. D'Aguilar and Mrs. K. Levermore- Stewart, to make the KS4 Spanish Quiz a spectacular and enthralling competition.

The euphoria of success had fueled the desire to win this competition and our students at John Gray were on display showcasing their abilities with discipline, excellence and pride. Well done students! We applaud each of you for being dedicated. You are all champions! The winners of the competition were our diligent year 10 students who won at the tie breaker round. The winners are: Raldayne Thom-

as, Jordan McDonald, Kaniya James, Aijulon Thomas, Neva Evans, Marissa Wright, Dylan Levy (who was ill but still managed to join the quiz training on Teams), Sumayyah Gordon and Jeam Mojica Esclavacongratulations! It was a proud moment! The teams were not made up of only native speakers but a fair balance of native and non- native speakers who are passionate about sharing and learning the Spanish language. "This made the competition far more interesting and showed that teaching and learning is not myopic; assessing our students' abilities can be done in a friendly yet competitive way" Levermore- Stewart mentioned in her opening speech. The motivational speaker stated; "Maybe if I had teachers like you ladies in the Spanish Department who have placed emphasis on making learning fun and innovative, I would have been an outstanding student of Spanish". "Great things are happening at John Gray High School, as we continue to exemplify the definition of

World Class." – Levermore- Stewart confirmed.

Many thanks to everyone who made the event the success it truly was. Special mention to Mr. Kirkland Lawrence (Teacher of Industrial Technology- Electrical and electronics) who worked on our buzzer when it stopped working just a few minutes before the quiz started. This speaks to the supportive team we have at John Gray High School. To the many other magnificent members of staff at John Gray who ensured that they gave of their best to help in one way or another. Thank you! #IamJohnGray!

To the many sponsors and companies, thank you for all your kind gifts! Sponsors include but are not limited to: Cayman National Bank, Precious Gems Pre- School, Foster's, Kirk Home Center, Composed Media, Monograms & more Ltd, The Cake Studio, The Consulate of Spain, 3D Imprint, Crown Events Rentals & Services Ltd and General Maintenance.

Laboratory Professionals and Family Celebrate Lab Week 2022



► (From left to right) Mrs. Melanie Feik of Total Health, Mrs. Marcia Robinson-Walters (HSA), Mrs. Sashoy Duncan MEDLAB, with Radio Cayman Host Mr. Dwayne Sterling



► (From Left to right) – Ms. Neisha Miller – HSA, Mrs. Sashoy Duncan – MEDLAB, Ms. Melanie Feik – Total Health

Led by Mr. Archibald Campbell, Supervisor at MEDLAB INC the Lab Professionals Group song - "Lean on me" resounded through every pew as congregants joined in with the Laboratory professionals.

The day ended with a Free Lab Health Screen on the church grounds which allowed the Lab Professionals to give back to the community. Free cholesterol, glucose, BMI and Blood pressure screens were offered, along with Community Nutritionist counseling were all available.

'We are pleased with the local support and activities executed thus far as we celebrate Lab Week. Laboratory Professionals were present on Radio Cayman and Praise 87.9 FM, raising public awareness regarding the profession and sharing how the younger generation can become a part of this growing profession. Lab professionals across the Cayman Islands have served our islands with an unwavering commitment, dedication and passion and there is a sense of excitement and confidence as we prepare for whatever the future has in store,' said Sashoy Duncan, Chairperson of CASMET-Cayman Islands Branch

Other celebratory activities planned are a Paint and Sip event for the Lab Professionals to destress and unwind, an Awards Dinner to celebrate our successes, Continuing Education Zoom Session on May 03, 2022 to keep abreast of new technology and discoveries in the field and a Fun 5K Run/Walk on May 15 at Smith Cove Beach GT to encourage healthy living .



► LABORATORY PROFESSIONALS IN ACTION



► Marcia Robinson-Walters - President, CASMET region

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Another major milestone and accomplishment that we have experienced is the voting in of our very own Mrs. Marcia Robinson-Walters at the 2021 Biennial General Meeting of the Caribbean Association of Medical Technologists as President of the over 1500 Lab professionals across the Caribbean , Dutch Antilles and South America. She will serve for the next 2 years, as she raises awareness about the profession and strengthens collaboration among key stakeholders across the Caribbean Island. Mrs. Marcia Robinson-Walters has been a stalwart in her profession championing the cause of Laboratory Professionals locally and abroad and has been integral in the Cayman Islands gaining Branch status within CASMET.

The Laboratory Professionals of the Cayman Islands launched Laboratory Professionals week 2022 On Sunday April 24, 2022 at the Agape Worship Center, George Town. Under the theme: Back to the Lab: Celebrating our past as we look into the future.

Lab week is an annual celebration of Medical Laboratory Professionals , including Phlebotomists, Medical Technologists, Cytologists, Histologists and Pathologists who play a vital role in health care and patient advocacy!

This inaugural event was a remarkable experience as our hard working Labora-

tory Professional Superheroes came together to give God thanks for His blessings and ask for strength and guidance for the future. We say a huge thank you to Pastor Andrew Ebanks, his wife Emily Ebanks, Executive Pastor Emma Ebanks and the board of directors and members of the Agape Worship Center for such a warm welcome and reminder that as we serve others, we should serve in love.

Ms. Cathy Gomez, Laboratory Professional from the mid 1970's and Laboratory Supervisor of the Cayman Islands Government Hospital, for over 12 years, since 1982 was also present with us at the

Agape Worship Center. She shared with the congregation the growth of the lab within the Cayman Islands and how far we have progressed as a profession. (QUOTE)

Mrs. Marcia Robinson-Walters, Microbiology Team Lead at the Health Services Authority and President for the Caribbean Association of Medical Technologists (CASMET) across the Caribbean, spoke of our need to adapt and grow with the changing times. "I am aware of the challenges Lab professionals face, trying to navigate the future, however, let us not make the future scare us. Let us be resilient and embrace the future with a grateful mind set." Mrs. Robinson-Walters said.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Student Registration

Ongoing - The Department of Education Services (DES) reminds all parents and guardians that registration of students for the 2022/2023 academic year commences on 1 April 2022. For further enquiries, please contact the Registration team at edu.registration@gov.ky

National Gallery – Family Fun Day

30 April - The National Gallery is hosting a Family Fun Day on April 30th from 10am to 1pm. Enjoy guided art activities and pop – up crafting stations or explore exhibitions with worksheets in the Gallery. For more information, email programme@nationalgallery.org.ky or call 945 – 8111.

Cayman Music School – The Lion King

30 April & 1 May – Cayman Music School presents “The Lion King” on April 30 and May 1 at the Harquail Theatre. There will be 2 shows on each day – 3pm and 6pm. Tickets are available on eventpro.ky - \$25 for children under 12 and \$35 for adults. Face masks are required at the event.

Seaside Sisters and Friends Concert

30 April – All are invited to Seaside Sisters and Friends Concert on Saturday 30 April beginning at

7pm at the Craddock Ebanks Civic Center. Money raised will support the North Side Wesleyan Holiness Church building program.

Deputy Governor’s 5K Challenge - Little Cayman

1 May - The Deputy Governor’s 5K Challenge, originally scheduled for 10 April will now take place on Sunday 1 May. All existing registrations are still valid.

Astronomical Society – Stars over Seven Mile Beach

4 May - The Cayman Astronomical Society is hosting Stars over Seven Mile Beach, an evening of star gazing, starting at 7pm on May 4th. For more information, head to their Facebook page.

Cayman Carnival Batabano Carnival Village at Festival Green

7 May – Enjoy the Carnival celebrations at Carnival Village, Festival Green starting at noon. Festivities include Family Fun Day until 4pm, Food Festival, Farmers Market, Arts & Craft, Steelband, the finale of the Adult Parade and much more. Admission is \$5.

St. Ignatius Tea Party

7 May – All are invited to St. Ignatius Spring Tea Party at the St. Ignatius School Courtyard on Saturday May



7 from 2:30pm to 5:00pm. Tickets are only \$5 and include afternoon tea, entertainment and a chance to win some spectacular door prizes. First prize is a Yvel Pearl & Diamond Necklace and earring set.

Meals on Wheels – Orange You Glad Sunset Gala

7 May - Meals on Wheels invites you to the Orange You Glad Sunset Gala at Grand Old House on May 7th starting at 6pm. For more information, email info@mealsonwheels.ky or call 769.1974.

Cayman National Dance Company presents Dimensions

7 & 8 May – The Cayman National Dance Company presents its 34th season of dance with Dimensions

at the Harquail Theatre on Saturday 7 May at 7pm and Sunday 8 May at 5pm. Tickets cost \$30 for adults and \$15 for children under 15 and are available at Radiance Dance Studio, on show day at the door or by calling 926 – 1826.

May Services - St. Alban’s Church of England, Shedden Road

8 May - Services of Holy Communion will be held on Sunday May 8th and Sunday May 15th at 9:30am. Morning prayers (Matins) will continue on the 1st, 4th and 5th Sundays in May at 9:30am as usual.

National Gallery – Free Modern Contemporary Dance with Nicole Durrant

10 May – Nicole Durrant leads a modern contemporary dance

class called “Plies on Dub” at the National Gallery on Tuesday 10 May from 6pm to 7pm. The moves are set to an infectious reggae base line. All are welcomed but registration is required. Contact education@nationalgallery.org.ky to reserve your spot.

Lookya Her Majesty’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

14 May - The Cayman National Museum welcomes you to its Lookya Her Majesty’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations on May 14th from 10am to 2pm.

Send your community events to wendy@caymaniantimes.ky

The 9 Gifts of Fitness

Physical fitness. It’s a goal, a lifestyle, a surefire way to set yourself apart from the legions of people who are too lazy or scared to make the changes necessary to gain physical fitness. If you happen to be one of the people who have yet to truly commit to physical fitness, understanding the perks of physical fitness may help you dig in and go for physical fitness, starting today.

What can you expect from your life as a fit person? Here are nine gifts that you’ll enjoy when you turn the corner on physical fitness.

Gift 1: You’ll Want More

Exercise newbies have a hard time believing it, but there will come a time when you crave exercise. It may not be during those first few days or weeks, but once your body becomes fit and begins to perform the way it was built to perform, you’ll hunger to hit the gym every day, and you’ll give it your all once you’re there. Miss a day in the gym? You’ll feel guilty and lazy enough to never miss again!

Gift 2: Bedtime Will Be Better

This one doesn’t involve your sex life (though becoming fit will improve that as well). Rather, it’s about your sudden ability to hit the hay, fall asleep quickly, and stay asleep all night long. Just because you’re fit!

Gift 3: Confidence Becomes You

When you’re not fit, it’s impossible to feel your best. Not being physically fit leaves you feeling...well, frumpy. Get fit and watch your self-image skyrocket. Along with it, your confidence. Your confidence won’t necessarily push you into cockiness, but it will make you more enjoyable to be around, as it’s awkward to be around people who are down on themselves.

Gift 4: You Eat Well

Just as being fit makes you want to get in the gym every day, it also inspires you to want to eat well. After all, you spent all that time eating the right things to get fit. The last thing you want to do is throw it all in the trash just for the passing and momentary pleasures of two slices of pecan pie.

Gift 5: Showers Feel Better

Contrary to popular belief, sitting at a desk all day every day doesn’t get you dirty enough to take a shower. On the contrary, when you’re living the fit lifestyle, you’re in the gym regularly, allowing sweat to cover every pore of your body. After a hard day at the gym, your shower feels magical, because you actually deserve it!

Gift 6: Heavy Isn’t Heavy

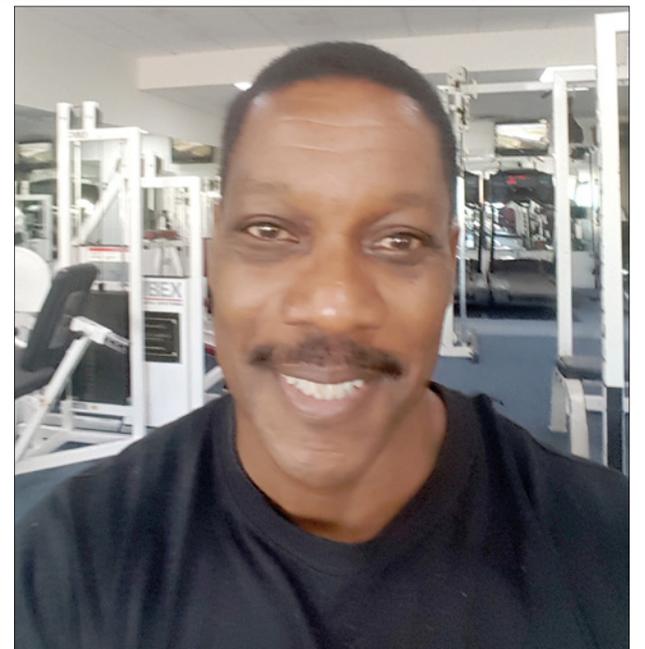
Spend enough time not being fit and you may be surprised that fit folks can deal with things in life that require strength. Whether it involves carrying a baby through the grocery store, picking up a few bags of groceries, moving a pile of bricks from your truck bed to your garden, or just getting up the stairs, fitness enables you to do it with ease.

Gift 7: Your Body Functions Improve

Get fit and your heart will work more efficiently. You know that. But getting fit will get your other body systems in line also. Whether you’ve been struggling to think clearly on your feet, you’ve been plagued with constipation, or you’re always out of breath, getting fit can remedy all these issues and more.

Gift 8: You’ll Go Shopping

You probably know people who have to upgrade their clothes every few years to accommodate their ever-growing bellies. Not you. When you get fit for life, you’ll have to go shop-



ping, but only because your waist has slimmed up and your muscles have tightened up and are now situated where they belong.

Gift 9: You Won’t Fear Sore

At one point in time, being sore always meant something was wrong. When you get fit, being sore is something that you welcome. After all, you know the soreness means you’re working your body in new ways that will only improve your physical fitness. If it’s a bad sore, you’ll know that also because, well, fit people know their bodies.

Now is the perfect time to get started on an exercise program that will get you into the best shape of your life. What are you waiting for? Being fit feels too good for you to miss out on. Call Ernest at Body Shapers Personal Training Studio 325-8696 or email me today at bodyshaperscayman@gmail.com

WEEKLY WEATHER FORECAST

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
						
84° / 79°	84° / 78°	84° / 78°	84° / 78°	79° / 78°	81° / 79°	80° / 78°
Breezy in the morning	A t-storm around in the p.m.	Partly sunny and pleasant	An afternoon shower; breezy	Partly sunny, showers around	Partly sunny, a stray t-storm	Sunny

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENTS



It's hard to see tomorrow
When someone you love is gone
Its harder still to realise
That your life will still go on

The Lord won't give you burdens
He knows you cannot bear
He will not leave you comfortless
You'll always find Him there

We're all our Father's children
On earth and up above
Your loved one is walking close to God
Surrounded by His love

May the winds of Heaven blow softly
And whisper in your ear
How much we love and miss you
And wish that you were here

Lovingly remembered by children Dorinda "Dee", Leo, Lois and Cheryl, Daughter-in-Law Donnagh, Grand Children Stefan, Curtney, Arianne and Ashley, Great-granddaughter Aysia, Godsons Gary, Robert "Bobby" and Wayne, friend Charles, caregivers Jozzette "Pet" and Adrianna and a host of other family and friends

The family of the late **Manon Michelle Perrault** regret to announce her passing on 19 April, 2022.



The family will hold funeral services privately.

Condolences can be registered at boddenfuneralservice.com & Bodden Funeral Service Facebook page



The family of the late **David Robertson** regret to announce his passing on 15 April, 2022.



Mr. Robertson will be repatriated to the United States of America.



The family of the late **Akeem Chambers** regret to announce his passing on 7 April, 2022.

Mr. Chambers will be repatriated to Jamaica.



The family of the late **Brendon Gayle** regret to announce his passing on 29 March, 2022.

Mr. Gayle will be repatriated to Jamaica.



Churchill's Funeral Home

We have been asked to announce the passing of Mr. Washburn Kirby Powell, who passed away on Wednesday, April 20, 2022. A Service of Thanksgiving will take place at the Webster Memorial United Church Hall, 261 Bodden Town Road, Bodden Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands on Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. Viewing: 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. Interment: New Pease Bay Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Jasmine Villa. Condolences can be registered at churchillsfuneralhome.com




The family of the late **Mrs. Maria Samuels** regret to announce her passing on 20 April, 2022.

A funeral service will be held 11:00 a.m. at George Town Seventh-day Adventist Church, on Sunday, 1 May 2022.

Viewing will be held from 10:00 p.m. prior to the service

Interment will follow at the Dixie Cemetery.

Condolences can be registered at boddenfuneralservice.com & Bodden Funeral Service Facebook page




The family of the late **Marjean Ann Scott** regret to announce her passing on April 12, 2022.

Funeral service will be held May 1, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Aston Rutty Centre, Cayman Brac. Viewing will be from 10:00 a.m. prior to the service.

Interment will follow at the Spot Bay Cemetery.

Condolences can be registered at boddenfuneralservice.com & Bodden Funeral Service Facebook page




The family of the late **Mark Anthony Blake and Shaymark Nova Antoinette Blake** regret to announce their passing on Sunday April 3rd, 2022.

A funeral service will be held 2:00 p.m. at West Bay Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday May 1st 2022.

Viewing will be held from 1:00 p.m. prior to the service

Interment will follow at the St. Mary's Garden of Rest Cemetery.

The family is asking for you to wear Blue or Pink to the funeral.

Condolences can be registered at boddenfuneralservice.com & Bodden Funeral Service Facebook page




The family of the late **Charles Butler** regret to announce his passing on 19 April, 2022.

Mr. Butler will be repatriated to the Bahamas.



The family of the late **Rodolfo Castillo** regret to announce his passing on 7 April, 2022.

Mr. Castillo will be repatriated to the Philippines.



The family of the late **Carl Walcott** regret to announce his passing on 4 April, 2022.

Mr. Walcott will be repatriated to Jamaica.



SUDOKU

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Conceptis Sudoku

By Dave Green

	1		8					
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Answer to previous puzzle

5	6	7	9	2	3	1	4	8
9	3	2	8	1	4	5	7	6
1	4	8	5	7	6	3	2	9
4	2	6	1	3	5	9	8	7
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Difficulty Level ★★★★★

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Indian city
- 6 Blubbers
- 11 Spring sign
- 12 Be of use
- 13 More reasonable
- 14 Three-score
- 15 Euphoric
- 17 "Far out!"
- 19 Hosp. sections
- 20 Blubber
- 23 Not worthless
- 25 Minute
- 26 Standard baseball game
- 28 Diplomacy
- 29 Elvis's birthplace
- 30 Low digit
- 31 Steady run
- 32 Signing need
- 33 Plane's place
- 35 Garfield's middle name
- 38 Writer Segal
- 41 Hard stuff
- 42 High-strung
- 43 Cryptography topics
- 44 Glossy fabric

- 1 German article
- 2 Pitcher's stat
- 3 Country bar
- 4 Shoe activity
- 4 Shoe part
- 5 Tel Aviv native
- 6 Diamond corners
- 7 Eager
- 8 Crayon makeup
- 9 Illuminated rival
- 10 Cunning
- 16 Eastern state
- 17 Cost as much as
- 18 Chinese or Korean
- 20 Contract conditions
- 21 Protractor measure
- 22 Holyfield rival
- 24 Track act
- 25 Service reward
- 27 Denver team
- 31 Madison
- 33 Visibility reducer
- 34 Open space
- 35 Jackson 5 hit
- 36 Scary shout
- 37 Cone's counterpart
- 39 Vegas-set series
- 40 Egg layer

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Yesterday's answer

Word Search

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W	B	O	O	N	O	R	N	F	A	J	U	Y	E	R
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- Barn
- Calves
- Cattle
- Corn
- Cows
- Crops
- Dairy
- Fence
- Furrow
- Grain
- Harvest
- Horse
- Milk
- Orchard
- Pasture
- Rooster
- Season
- Seeds
- Silo
- Sowing
- Stock
- Straw
- Tractor
- Turnips
- Weather
- Wheat
- Yield

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, back, up, down and diagonally.

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CURTIS

By Ray Billingsley

THE AMAZING SPIDER MAN

By Stan Lee

JUDGE PARKER

By Woody Wilson & Mike Manley



Understanding CUC's Fuel Costs

As we anticipate increased fuel costs for electricity bills, we will continue to inform customers about our fuel purchase process and how to conserve electricity and save. We will be communicating the fuel cost for May's consumption (billed in June) as soon as it becomes available.

What do you know about the way in which CUC fuels its diesel-generating units (engines) and combustion turbines?

- + Do you know the path the fuel takes?
- + Are you aware that weather can impact supply?
- + Do you know that the total capacity on Grand Cayman for fuel storage is?
- + Did you know that the more electricity Grand Cayman consumes, the more fuel is used, which increases air emissions?

CUC identified the issue with unstable and rising fuel costs over 10 years ago and as a result, in 2017, presented a plan to OfReg to adopt renewable energy, which will reduce fuel usage by over 60%. Until recommended renewable projects have been approved CUC relies on diesel.

How does fuel get to Grand Cayman?

All of CUC's fuel is purchased from our contracted vendors who are local/on-Island vendors.

- Step 1:** The fuel leaves the U.S. by ship.
- Step 2:** The ship stops in the Bahamas (and potentially other locations) before voyaging to the Cayman Islands.
- Step 3:** Once the ship arrives in Grand Cayman, the fuel is offloaded at Jackson Point Terminal in South Sound and transported via underground pipeline directly to CUC.

It takes approximately 7 to 12 days for the fuel to reach Grand Cayman's shores from loading in the U.S. and an additional 2 days for arrival at CUC. This timing is dependent on weather conditions and is also impacted by circumstances outside of CUC's control, such as fuel availability and supply shortages as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Because fuel is purchased in bulk supply, CUC is able to achieve economies of scale and are paying substantially less than retail rates. CUC also invested in the pipeline between the fuel suppliers and CUC to keep on-Island delivery costs at a minimum.



Why is the situation in the Ukraine impacting Fuel Prices?



Russia is one of the largest oil producers in the world. As the attacks in Ukraine intensify, traders, shippers and financiers have been reducing their use of Russian oil, removing much of it from the daily global supply.

Oil prices also increased after the U.S. issued a ban on Russian imports of crude oil, certain petroleum products, liquified natural gas and coal. We anticipate that the price of fuel will be trending upwards for some time.

Approximately 8% of U.S. imports of crude oil and refined products came from Russia last year.

(Source: The Wall Street Journal "Why Are Gasoline Prices So High" April 1, 2022)

CUC does not benefit from fuel cost adjustments

Fuel costs and fuel duty have **no mark-up** by CUC. This means CUC does not benefit from any fuel cost adjustments. If the price of fuel is reduced, customers will benefit.

Fuel costs are directly passed through to customers at the same price paid by CUC to the vendors and the Cayman Islands Government.

For a view of historical monthly rates, please visit our website at www.cuc-cayman.com.



For more information, contact our Customer Service Team at 949-5200 or service@cuc.ky or visit our website at www.cuc-cayman.com

