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Editorial

Caring And Daring To Tell The Truth

Over the past several weeks, there has been much discussion on morning radio talk shows and in the opposition newspaper, regarding the termination of the services of some government employees.

The opposition People's United Party (PUP) cries victimization. However, in several instances it has been proven that in their political maneuvering, a few months prior to the last general elections, countless are the ministries, government departments and even statutory bodies that were padded with unsustainable staff all for the purpose of providing employment in exchange for votes. In some cases, especially in the Ministry of Education and at Youth for the Future, these "employees" never showed up for a day in the workplace where their names appeared on the payroll but were rather engaged in street campaigning for the politician who placed them on those payrolls.

A new government was elected on February 7th and all these discrepancies instantly came to light. Despite being cognizant of their wrong doings, these politicians shamelessly turned around and are now crying foul.

It is no secret, much to the discontent of many who actively support the new government, that the new political directorate has tried to work with some of these individuals. However, because of their loyalty to those who gave them the job in the first instance, these people venture into the path of being unproductive, undermining, and in some cases

even sabotaging the efforts of the ministry, the department, and the people they are paid to serve.

A case in point is that Customs Officer at the Western Border Station who, since the change of government, has turned into a monster on the work site. This individual makes it his personal business to target known supporters of the new government by out rightly imposing heavy import duties, and in many cases confiscating the little goods they carry. He justifies his actions by telling those affected that this is what you get for voting for the UDP.

There is also the case of the government employee who, five months after the change of government, refused to replace the photograph of a former minister, in the office where she works, with that of the new minister, and when confronted she boldly proclaimed that as far as she is concerned the former minister is still her boss.

Notwithstanding, both of these employees, like countless others, are still on government's payroll while the disloyalty and sabotage continues.

On a more personal note, it is indeed disheartening to have heard a stalwart supporter of the People's United Party, in the person of **Renee Nunez**, telling the entire nation, by way of national radio, about the treatment she is receiving from her People's United Party, a party that she has faithfully served for so many years.

It is interesting that Ms. Nunez chose to bring this matter to the attention of the Prime Minister



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when he was on the radio earlier this week.

As human beings, we sympathize with Ms. Nunez as in these challenging times it is extremely difficult to buy a single meal for a family of four with \$35 which is the salary she says that the PUP is paying her per week.

We commend the Hon. Prime Minister for lending a sympathetic ear to Ms. Nunez' tribulations especially in light of the fact that, for almost 10 years, Ms. Nunez had nothing nice to say about UDP Party Leader, **Dean Barrow**, on radio, television and in her many writings in the PUP Belize Times newspaper.

There were many instances, when, in going out on a limb for supporting her party, Ms. Nunez was out-rightly disrespectful to

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the then Leader of the Opposition now Prime Minister of Belize the **Hon. Dean Barrow**. This is by no means personal , just had to get this one off the chest.

Wednesday, November 5, 2008 - A Day We Will Not Soon Forget

Oh how we wish that more days would be like Wednesday, November 5, 2008.

This day ushered in two historical moments for the world and for Belize.

First came the announcement that an African American became the president elect of the most powerful nation on earth.

Then we were treated to the announcement of the unprecedented decrease in fuel prices ever in the history of this beautiful jewel of ours.

In keeping with his campaign pledge, the Hon. Prime Minister, in his capacity as Minister of Finance passed on **EVERY SINGLE PENNY** of the savings to consumers, and oh, what a welcome relief it was.

While going around confirming these unbelievable reduced prices, one businessman commented that the Prime Minister should have at least withheld a dollar for infrastructure repairs in the wake of the destruction caused by tropical depression #16.

When we spoke to the Prime Minister later that day, he told us that although the government can use the extra funds, especially during these challenging times, there was no way that he was going to renege on the firm commitment he made to the Belizean people in the weeks and months leading up to the February 7, 2008 general elections.

The people across this nation are all feeling the effects of the reduction in fuel prices. It is tantamount to strengthening of the Belizean dollar, as in the case of taxi drivers, it places an instant 3 out of every 10 dollars back into their pockets.

We trust that the nation will soon begin to feel the ripple effect as the cost of other necessities follow the same downward trend.

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Barack Obama swept to victory as the nation's first black president Tuesday night in an electoral college landslide that overcame racial barriers as old as America itself. *"Change has come,"* he declared to a huge throng of cheering supporters.

The son of a black father from Kenya and a white mother from Kansas, the Democratic senator from Illinois sealed his historic triumph by defeating Republican **Sen. John McCain** in a string of wins in hard-fought battleground states — Ohio, Florida, Virginia, Iowa and more.

On a night for Democrats to savor, they not only elected Obama the nation's 44th president but padded their majorities in the House and Senate, and come January will control both the White House and Congress for the first time since 1994.

Obama's election capped a meteoric rise — from mere state senator to president-elect in four years.

In his first speech as victor, Obama catalogued the challenges ahead. *"The greatest of a lifetime,"* he said, *"two wars, a planet in peril, the worst financial crisis in a century."*



US President Elect, Barack Obama, 47

He added, *"There are many who won't agree with every decision or policy I make as president, and we know that government can't solve every problem. But I will always be honest with you about the challenges we face."*

McCain called his former rival to concede defeat — and the end of his own 10-year quest for the White House. *"The American people have spoken, and spoken clearly,"* McCain told disappointed supporters in Arizona. President Bush added his congratulations from the White House.

In his speech, Obama invoked the words of **Lincoln** and echoed **John F. Kennedy**.

"So let us summon a new spirit of patriotism, of service and responsibility where each of us resolves to pitch in and work harder," he said.

He and his running mate, **Sen. Joseph Biden** of Delaware, will take their oaths of office as president and vice president on January 20, 2009.

Obama will move into the Oval Office as leader of a country that is almost certainly in recession, and fighting two long wars, one in Iraq, the other in Afghanistan.

The popular vote was close — 51.3 percent to 47.5 percent with 73

percent of all U.S. precincts counted — but not the count in the Electoral College, where it mattered most.

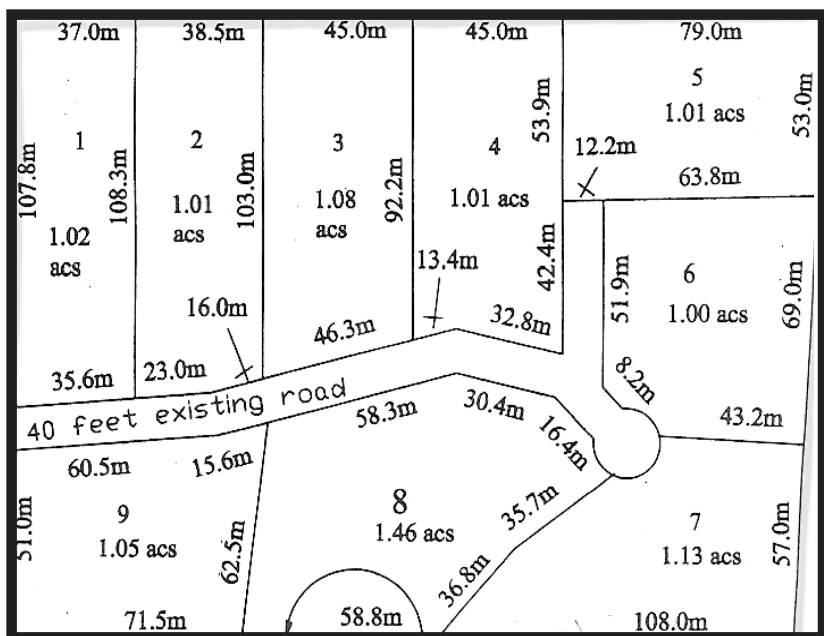
There, Obama's audacious decision to contest McCain in states that hadn't gone Democratic in years paid rich dividends.

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RIDE FOR A CAUSE

Readers Write

I agree 110%

Dear Editor;

I write in regards to your editorial in last weekend's edition about the intention to give PUP Area Representatives access to the people's money, I agree 110% with your position on this matter.

These people should never, ever again be given control of the people's money.

If the UDP government wants to help the people from those constituents not represented by an elected UDP representative, they can disburse the money thru the Town Mayor or the UDP standard bearer in those constituencies.

Hilberto Castillo
Houston, Texas,
USA

Bravo!

Dear Editor;

One word in respect of your

editorial last week: **Bravo!**
Al Eastmond, Bermuda, W.I.

America & Belize - 2 Afro Political Leaders. Celebrating Belizean Culture & History

(Translated from Spanish)

Esteemed Editor;

We are living in illustrious times in Belize and the United States of America with the arrival of President **Barack Obama** who is of Afro American descent and Belize with the arrival of the new Prime Minister **Dean Barrow**, an Afro-Belizean. Leaving behind the defiant **John McCain** in the United States of America and also leaving behind the defiant **Said Musa** in Belize.

"We should celebrate our ethnic cultural diversity" said **Lita Krohn**.

"We should understand our history and ourselves" said the panelist **Carla Barnett** -two intricate human opinions:

- i) the diversity of the human race - somewhat subjective, and
- ii) the human history - the product of the pains and efforts toward an accomplishment of a time given within an objective.

We should elevate our culture, not only with celebrating our diversity, but rather we should absorb and collaborate with the evolutionary result of our diversity. Doing the opposite will propel Belize into cultural chaos and ethnic conflict. For example, thanks to the Almighty we have an Afro-Belizean as Prime Minister. We can now celebrate the fact that there is no racial prejudice in Belize.

It's time for us to advance our culture by refraining from criticizing with prejudice and without cause, the product of our culture and our history.

We have just undergone a crisis over the past 2-3 weeks in the Belize River Valley. We must enforce and enhance understanding that nature has demonstrated our vulnerability, but acting as a single pulse should always be a part of our Belizean culture.

Let us not believe that the condition of our poverty is the will of God. The desire to lift ourselves out of bad conditions must be adapted as part of our culture.

We must extend a helping hand to

each other as Belizean country-folks while together we seek better days and not wait for assistance from abroad.

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Your Horoscope & Lucky Numbers



ARIES

March 21 - April 20

This week sees you teetering on the edge, with some really queer financial questions facing you. However, many of your worries will get sorted out as the week progresses. Some important decisions will remain to be taken as the state of affairs around you remains fluid. You are advised to make sure that elders are accorded due respect and comfort. **Your lucky numbers: 9, 34, 86.**



TAURUS

April 21 to May 21

There will be dabbling in two major areas of concern and these are spiritual advancement and financial security. Two diametrically opposite concerns these may be; but that is where the stars point for you. You will be trying to gather funds for a critical project and this will start to materialize by the end of the week. Excitement about a travel will be palpable in the air. **Your lucky numbers: 6, 23, 47.**



GEMINI

May 22 to June 21

ting back to work after a relaxed phase. You need to be extremely focused and risk taking should be avoided altogether. Move with a sound head on your shoulders and be open to learning from every single interaction and experience. Do not let doubt reflect in your dealings with people. This is one time when you could do without hurting sentiments and starting up a whole new issue to be dealt with. **Your lucky numbers: 5, 62, 88.**



CANCER

June 22 to July 22

There is a calm that prevails around you as you consciously avoid getting too engaged in work. You consciously sit back and enjoy the free time. There will be ease as far as money matters are concerned. You will be actually giving away with a sensible magnanimity. **Your lucky numbers: 20, 69, 81.**



LEO

July 23 to August 23

This week consolidates your gains and you are on a sound footing professionally. There is a quiet contentment that overcomes you and you accept the grace and good

fortune with humility. There are indications of travel. Be prepared to deal with a complicated individual who may not let it remain a smooth sailing. There are rapid strides made in personal life and you find bliss in the company of loved ones. **Your lucky numbers: 29, 44, 84.**



VIRGO

August 24 to Sept. 22

This week is one of those good phases in life that you should be making the very best of. You are almost certain to achieve a milestone in your professional life. There could be fulfillment of one wish close to your heart. There will be rapid strides made in spiritual pursuits. Even though there is risk of sounding contrarian; it is worth a mention that you will be working on your appearance. **Your lucky numbers: 14, 22, 65.**



LIBRA

Sept. 23 to Oct. 23

The week sees you re-working your financial strategies, educating yourself and taking extra interest in financial investments, with a goal to achieve higher gains. It also sees you in control of your personal life where your decision making inspired by courage is accurate. You may have to travel for work. Pay attention to your health. **Your lucky numbers: 11, 27, 73.**



SCORPIO

Oct. 24 to Nov. 22

The week renews your spiritual side and there is a renewed predisposition and interest towards occult, alternative healing or unraveling the hidden secrets of life. There is also the deep desire to live it up resulting in pleasurable expenditure towards purchase of gadgets and items of luxury. There is a deep connection with your past which inspires you to rectify present strategies, to build a better future. **Your lucky numbers: 16, 78, 94.**



SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 23 to Dec 21

This week sees you evaluating your life and making plans for achieving a sense of balance. Even though on many occasions the mood will be contemplative, you are fully motivated to fulfill your duties towards loved ones and work. There is also space for tender feelings, love and time for fun and frolic. You bond beautifully with family and friends. **Your lucky numbers: 25, 38, 55.**



CAPRICORN

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Love and relationships seem to be the central theme this week. You give with a generosity and receive with grace. A strong emphasis is on leisure activities and social gatherings. Romance is in the air. Despite this relaxing phase you are fully alert and attentive towards work commitments and deliver value. The stars are kind to you; make the best use of this phase. **Your lucky numbers: 18, 52, 88.**



AQUARIUS

Jan. 21 - Feb. 18

The soul searching and introspection of life's balance sheet that you did last week see you implementing new strategies with concentration, new opportunities and getting credit for good work. You bond and communicate with people both on the work front as well as personal life with panache and grace leading to fulfilling exchange. Peace, beauty, harmony and money are obvious results. **Your lucky numbers: 32, 54, 92.**



PISCES

Feb. 19 to Mar. 20

In this contemplative phase, you re-look at your position in this world, your relationships and your work strategies. The satisfaction achieved from love will fill your cup with happiness. Your capacity to understand leads to a deep insight regarding how people think. Results are obvious - improved communication, success at work and improved finances. **Your lucky numbers: 21, 46, 75.**

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Jones gets out of the car, walks all

the way over to the farmer and asks him, *"Ah, excuse me Mister, but what are you doing?"*

The farmer replies, *"I'm trying to win a Nobel Prize."*

"How?" asks the puzzled Mr. Jones.

"Well I heard they give the Nobel Prize to people who are out standing in their field!"

Relaxing In The Doctor's Office

A man walked into a health center and the receptionist asked him what he had.

He said, *"Shingles."* So she told him to have a seat.

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The doctor said, *"Where?"*

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Would You Do It For \$50?

Granny Jane is giving a party for her granddaughter and has gone all out - caterer, band, and a hired clown.

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Guests arrive, and all is going well, with the children having a wonderful time. But, the clown has not shown up and finally, the clown calls to report that he is stuck in traffic and

will probably not make the party at all.

Granny Jane is very disappointed but when she looked out the window she sees one of the bums doing cartwheels across the lawn.

She watches in awe as the bum swings from tree branches, does midair flips and leaps high in the air.

She approaches the other bum and said *"What your friend is doing is absolutely marvelous. I have never seen such a thing. Do you think your friend would consider repeating this performance for*

the children at the party? I will pay him \$50!"

"Well, I dunno", says the other bum *"Let me ask him."*

Already In The Lord's Army

A man was coming out of church on Easter Sunday, and the priest was standing at the door shaking hands.

The priest grasped the man's hand and said to him, *"You need to join the Army of the Lord!"*

Said the man, *"I'm already in the Army of the Lord, Reverend!"*

He then turned to the other bum and yelled, *"Hey Willie! For \$50, would you chop off another toe?"*

"So why do I only see you at Christmas and Easter?"

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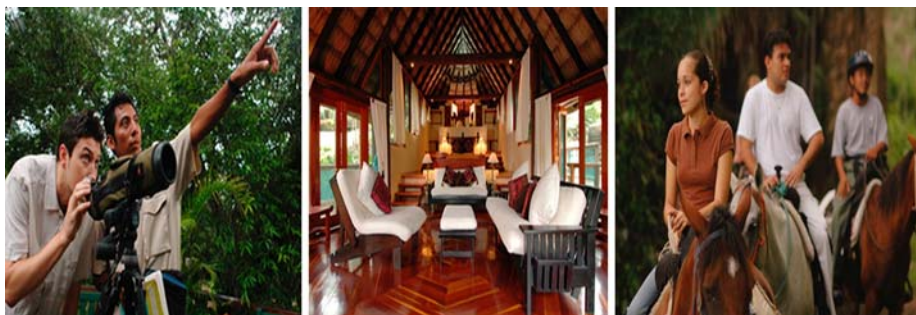
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Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HAO LIAN CAI** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HOT SUMMER BAR** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ENRIQUE MARTINEZ** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ENRIQUE'S BEER PARLOUR** located on Melhado Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ERIX TOBAR** is applying for the renewal of his **NIGHT CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **FAYA WATA** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ORLANDO CASTELLANOS** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ROLSON COCINA & CANTINA** located at #2 Crenshaw Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JUN WEN LI** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CITY CORNER STORE** located on Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZHAO XIANG LI** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CHEN'S STORE** located on Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZHAO TING ZHUO** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **PIN MEI RESTAURANT** located at #3 Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **WEN QUAN ZEHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **LILY'S SUPERMARKET** located on Thornley Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **MIGUEL CANO** is applying for the renewal of a **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **EL FRIJOLITO BAR** located on 18th Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JIAN CHENG LI** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **WING SING STORE** located on Buena Vista Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **DE PEI ZHANG** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ROSES CHINESE RESTAURANT** located on the Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **DE PEI ZHANG** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ROSES CHINESE SHOP** located on the Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **BO TAI CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **DELICIOUS RESTAURANT** located at #120 Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZHAON CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **WINNIE SUPERMARKET** located on the Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CAN HUAN WU** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **DAVID'S SUPERSTORE** located on the Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **WEI TAN CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HUANG SUPERSTORE** located on the Bullet Tree Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZI AN LI** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **DELICIOUS RESTAURANT** located on Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

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Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XUSHANG LIANG** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HUADA BEER PALOUR** located on George Price Avenue, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HONG YAN LIU** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **TAM'S SUPERMARKET** located on the Bullet Tree Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HONG JUN LIANG** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **TAI KONG STORE** located on Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **FENG YING TANG** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **THREE FLAGS** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **QING JIE FHU** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CHICHARON RESTAURANT** located in the Santiago Juan Layout Area, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **DA HUAN CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HIGHWAY SUPERSTORE** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XUSHANG LIANG** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HUADA RESTAURANT** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **KUN MEI HUANG** is applying for the renewal of a **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ALWIN'S RESTAURANT** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **RONG JI LIANG** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **TAI SAN RESTAURANT** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HUANG WEI QIANG & HUANG CHUN HUE** are applying for the renewal of their **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ALWIN'S SUPERMARKET** located at #119 Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **RONG KUN LIANG** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **TAI SAN STORE** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **LE WEI HUANG** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **A.B.C SUPERSTORE** located on the Bullet Tree Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XING YAN TAN** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **DELICIOUS SEAFOOD RESTAURANT** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZHOU JUN HUANG** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **JUN JUN RESTAURANT** located on Joseph Andrews Drive, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SU CAN LIN** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **FU HUA FAST FOOD** located at #89 Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JIAN FEI CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **FEI WANG RESTAURANT** located on the Bullet Tree Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.



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Three Weeks Later, The Temporary Wood Bridge Is Now Back In Action

SANTA ELENATOWN Cayo, Thursday, November 6, 2008:

After being out of commission for three weeks, during two of which it was totally submerged under the flood waters of the Macal River occasioned by tropical depression #16; at exactly 4:45 p.m. today, the temporary wooden bridge linking the twin municipalities of Santa Elena and San Ignacio, was opened for transit.

Despite the adverse condition,

“old reliable” appeared stronger than ever as the temporary bridge, now more permanent than ever, is back in service easing the inconvenience caused to the motoring public whenever the Hawksworth bridge is pressed into action as a two way crossing.

With “old reliable” back in service we are ever reminded of the familiar adage “*You never miss the water until the well runs dry*”.

Wednesday, November 5, 2008 - A Day We Will Not Soon Forget

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increased rates they squeezed out of us as fuel prices increased.

We trust that BEL will now abandon any, and **ALL**, requests for rate increases. We further trust that the Public Utilities Commission will now seek ways to get BEL to reduce rates.


Let us hope that this time around BEL will not come to us with all that hogwash about putting the savings in anything like “**RATE STABILIZATION FUNDS**” as they did under the previous PUP government, a fund which grew into

the millions with not a single penny trickling down to consumers.

The only place we want BEL to put these savings is into the pockets of long overburdened consumers. Anything less will be unacceptable.

In the San Ignacio / Santa Elena Area, fuel prices were reduced as follows:

GRADE	WAS	IS	SAVINGS
Diesel	9.14	7.07	2.07
Regular	10.21	7.16	3.05
Super	10.54	7.52	3.02



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TENDER NOTICE

The Government of Belize, through the Ministry of Works, intends to purchase the following items:

6 No. Utility Pickup Trucks
1 Line Marker (For line marking of roads)

Tenders are invited to submit a quotation for the supply of the above mentioned items.

The format for the tender/quotation and specifications for the above items are available at the Ministry of Works Office at the below listed address.

Failure to complete all relevant sections of the form and to submit the required technical data (brochures) shall result in the offer being regarded as unresponsive and may render it ineligible for consideration.

The quotation shall be duty and tax free.

**Deadline for submission is
4:30 pm, Friday, November 7, 2008.**

Sealed tenders should be sent to the following address:

Chief Executive Officer
Ministry of Works
Power Lane
Belmopan

LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **GEORGINA ZABANEH** is applying for the renewal of her **NIGHT CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **EAGLE’S LANDING** located on Wyatt Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HAYEDON RODRIGUEZ** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **COZY CORNER** located on La Loma Luz Boulevard, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **BO TAI CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CHEN’S SUPERMARKET** located on the Bullet Tree Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SERGIO CHUC** is applying for the renewal of his **NIGHT CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **PIT PAN AT COCONUTS** located on Savannah Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ROLAND BERMUDEZ** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **DREAMS RESTAURANT** located on Savannah Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XING TING ZHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **8 & 8 SUPERMARKET** located on Bishop Martin Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XI MAO SU** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **SUE SUPERMARKET** located on 17th Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CRUZ GAMEZ** is applying for the renewal of his **NIGHT CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **D-ATTIC** located on Hudson Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CARLOS TZIB** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **AMIGOS BAR** located in San Antonio Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HE YUE DONG** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ANTHONY’S SUPERMARKET** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HUI FANG LUO** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **DIAN WAN FENG STORE** located on George Price Avenue, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JIN MAN HUANG** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **PK STORE** located on the Benque Viejo Road, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XING JUAN ZHUS** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **ANNA SUPERMARKET** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JIE XIONG LIN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **LIN’S SUPERMARKET** located at #164 Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **WU WEI YI** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **8 & 8 RESTAURANT** located on Bishop Martin Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZHENG RONG ZHAO** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **YAN ZHONG RESTAURANT** located in Savannah Area, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JESSICA DIAZ** is applying for a **NIGHT CLUB LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **CLUB ALIZEE** located on Buena Vista Street, San Ignacio Town ,Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XIN LIANG ZHU** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CHINA TOWN STORE** located on Mabel Pitts Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CHEN CHAN CIU** is applying for the renewal of his **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **WING LEE RESTAURANT** located on Mabel Pitts Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XUE LIZHU** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **FIRST STOP STORE** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZHAO PEI ZHU** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **NEW YANG SUPERMARKET** located on Bella Vista Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SI QIANG YU** is applying for the renewal of a **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **MAXIM’S STORE** located at #16 B West Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **XUE LIZHU** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **FIRST STOP RESTAURANT** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CHRISTINE LANGS** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CAFE CAYO** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HE YUE LI** is applying for the renewal of his **SHOP LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HUDSON SUPERMARKET** located on Hudson Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **PAULITA GARCIA** is applying for a **RESTAURANT & BAR LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **RANCHITO RESTAURANT & BAR** located in San Antonio Village in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **HANTLEY PIERIS** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **SERENDIB RESTAURANT** located on #27 Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town, Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **SHALUE BUTCHER** is applying for the renewal of her **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **AGUADA HOTEL & RESTAURANT** located on Aguada Street, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **CRUZ MATUS** is applying for a **MALT & CIDER LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2008 to operate **MELI’S FAST FOOD** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **BING HAO LIU** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **MAXIM’S RESTAURANT** located at #23 Far West Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **JIN CHENG CHEN** is applying for the renewal of his **CONVENIENT STORE LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **CHEN’S STORE** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town, Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **PETER MARGESSON** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **HANNAH’S RESTAURANT** located on Burns Avenue, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **ZI HE LIN** is applying for the renewal of his **PUBLICAN SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **TAI SAN FAST FOOD** located on Savannah Street, San Ignacio Town in the Cayo District.

Notice is hereby be given that under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Chapter 150 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, that **LUI JIN GYI** is applying for the renewal of his **RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE** for the year 2009 to operate **WAL YI RESTAURANT** located on the Western Highway, Santa Elena Town in the Cayo District.





Ministry of Education

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Nationwide Textbook Consultations

CITY OF BELMOPAN, Cayo, Wednesday, November 5, 2008:

A release issued today from the Ministry of Education informed that the Ministry is committed to improving the quality of education for every child within Belize.

In fulfillment of its promise to

comprehensively evaluate the textbook program, the ministry will be holding countrywide consultations which will help to inform of any amendments to the program for the future.

Consultations will be held as follows:

DATE	DISTRICT	VENUE
Nov 6, 08	Punta Gorda Town	Fr. Ring Parish Hall
Nov 13, 08	Dangriga Town	Parish Hall
Nov 20, 08	Belmopan	George Price Center
Nov 24, 08	Corozal Town	CCC Auditorium
Nov 25, 08	Orange Walk Town	Multi-Purpose Bldg
Nov 27, 08	San Ignacio	ITVET
Dec 11, 08	Belize City	UWI Conference Room

The consultation in EVERY Town and cities will commence at 6:30 p.m., sharp. The participation

is sought from parents, teachers, principals, management and all other interested parties.

POLICEMAN ARRESTED FOR THEFT

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brand digicell slide cellular telephone which was positively identified by the complainant as his property. The investigation revealed that PC Yorke interchanged the SIM Cards from the two cellular telephones found in his possession.

Around mid morning on Friday, October 31, Denbigh Yorke, 33, Belizean Police Constable with 12 years of service in the Department, was formally arrested and charged for

two counts of theft (*one for the cellular telephone and the other for the SIM Card*) as well as two counts via internal disciplinary proceeding for *“prejudice to good order and discipline.”*

Commissioner of Police, **Gerald Westby**, has since ordered that, effective Friday, October 31, 2008, PC Denbigh Yorke be interdicted from active duty on half pay pending the outcome of all charges against him.



CONGRATULATIONS

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SAN IGNACIO COURT NEWS

Rupert Roland Found Inside The House Under The Bed - Sentenced To 3 Years

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Thursday, November 6, 2008:

The swift actions of an alert neighbor resulted in the apprehension of a burglar caught inside the house he burglarized.

Romel Manzanero, 23, Belizean Supervisor informed that he was on duty at the Caballo Blanco Resort on the Bullet Tree Road in San Ignacio when he received a call from a neighbor informing him that a male person of Hispanic decent was removing the louvers from a back window of his house.

Manzanero reportedly contacted the police and left his workplace enroute to his house. The police arrived shortly thereafter and upon searching inside the house, they found a male person, fitting the description, hiding under a bed inside Manzanero's room.

The individual was identified as **Rupert Roland**, 19, Belizean



Rupert Roland, 19

laborer, of an Orange Street address in San Ignacio. He was pulled from his hiding place, transported to the San Ignacio police station and was formally charged for the crime of burglary.

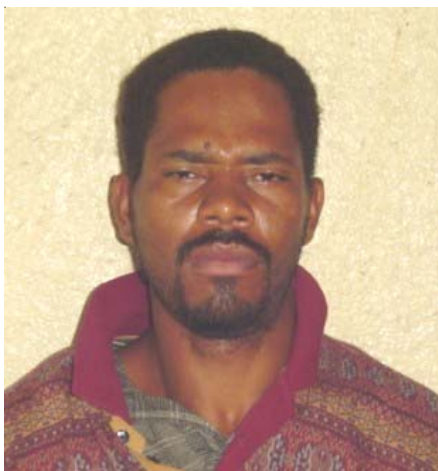
He appeared in court on Friday, October 31, where he pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to 3 years imprisonment.

Norbert Guzman - Gets 6 Months

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Thursday, November 6, 2008:

A Santa Elena youth, will again spend this Christmas and the first months of the New Year in jail after pleading guilty to theft and sentenced to six months imprisonment.

San Ignacio police reports that it was shortly after 4:00 a.m., on Sunday, October 26 when Santa Elena resident, **Mark Hyde** woke up to a strange noise in his yard. Hyde told the police that upon checking, he saw a male person inside his 4 door Toyota car which was parked in his yard near his house. He saw the person exiting the vehicle and making off with several items, and it was at



Norbert "Nally" Guzman, 30

that point that he positively identified the intruder as **Norbert "Nally" Guzman**, 30, Belizean laborer of a Hillview address in Santa Elena.

In a report to the police, Hyde informed that the missing items included a green tool box containing an assortment of tools, valued at \$175; a camouflage military jacket, valued at \$100; a vehicle battery, valued at \$175 and a baseball bat, valued at \$45. All to a total value of \$495.

Guzman, who is no stranger to the police, evaded the long arms of the law for eight days, until Monday, November 3, when he was apprehended inside an abandoned house in Santa Elena. He was detained and transported to the San Ignacio police station where he was formally arrested and charged for theft. Guzman appeared in court on Tuesday, November 4. He instantly pled guilty as charged, accepted that facts of the case as presented by the prosecution and was consequently sentenced to six months imprisonment.

Bedalfo Chen - Pleas Guilty For Gun And Bullet - Gets a 2 Year Sentence

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Friday, October 31, 2008:

San Ignacio police have succeeded in removing a gun and bullets from potentially dangerous hands.

It was during the early morning hours on Thursday, October 30, at around 1:00 a.m., when police responded to a report of gunshots breaking the silence of the morning on Collin Boulevard in San Ignacio Town.

Upon arrival in the area, the patrol spotted a male person running on Collin Boulevard. They chased after the person and caught up with him a few blocks away on Western Street, but not before observing him throwing an object in the bushes as he fled.

He was brought back to the area where a search led to the discovery of a black 9mm Beretta brand pistol bearing serial number 65490, with the number 4 marked on the grip of the pistol. The gun also had a magazine containing seven rounds of live ammunition.

The individual was identified as



Bedalfo Chen, 24

Bedalfo Chen, 24, Belizean laborer of a San Ignacio Town address. He was arrested and charged for keeping an unlicensed firearm and ammunition. He was brought before the court where he pleaded guilty to both charges and was sentenced to spend the next two years behind bars.

Our investigation revealed that this particular firearm has never been entered in the police official firearm register. An unconfirmed report reaching us indicate that Chen might have come in possession of the firearm from a Belizean soldier.

Highway Robbery Of A Commuter Bus

SAN IGNACIO TOWN Cayo, Thursday, November 6, 2008:

Just as we were going to press this Thursday night, information reached us of the robbery of a commuter bus heading to Benque Viejo Town from Belize City.

Preliminary reports indicate that the yellow, Blue Bird, Guerra Bus departed Belize City at 6:30 p.m., arriving at the terminal in San Ignacio Town at around 9:00 p.m. It departed the San Ignacio Terminal about 5 minute thereafter with five passengers on board. The bus then made a stop at Sacred Heart High School where approximately 15 Junior College students boarded for the ride to Benque Viejo Town.

Upon reaching between miles 68 and 69 on the Western Highway, near Windy Hill Resorts, on the outskirts of San Ignacio Town, the driver, **Fernando Moh**, 49, was in the process of complying with a passenger's request to be let off.

According to Moh, when he switched on the interior lights, he immediately observed a male person of dark complexion wearing a black and white handkerchief covering his nose and mouth, moving towards the front of the bus.

Sensing that something was wrong,

Moh reportedly applied sudden brakes to the bus which caused the person to stumble. The individual however regained composure by grasping the handle of the mechanism that is used to open the bus door while simultaneously grabbing hold to the conductor's black purse which was wedged against the dashboard and the windshield. With the purse in his possession, the individual hopped off the bus and reportedly ran toward the BEL transmission station located on the left side of the highway.

The driver reportedly pulled out a machete, which he carries on the bus, and set chase after the robber, but to no avail, as he quickly disappeared into the darkness among the tall bushes.

A combined team from the San Ignacio and Benque Viejo police arrived on the scene shortly thereafter and conducted a fruitless search in the area.

In a statement to the police, the bus conductor, **Javier Jimenez**, 23, reported seeing the individual in possession of a handgun. He additionally informed that the purse contained between 6 and 7 hundred dollars in cash.

No arrest has been made as the investigation continues.

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