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# STAR

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## Murder In Duck Run 3

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo, Wednesday, September 17, 2014:

San Ignacio police are investigating a murder that occurred in the mainly Hispanic village of Duck Run 3 in the Cayo District.

On Sunday, September 14, Police were called out to Duck Run 3 where they found the body of Hispanic man with chop wounds to the neck.

The victim was identified by the wife as that of her husband **Pedro Ariel Diaz Guen**, 24, Guatemalan laborer residing in Duck Run 3.

The body was transported to the San Ignacio hospital where it was officially pronounced dead by the medical officer on duty.

In the process of the investigation



Luvin Ernesto Peres

five male persons were detained for questioning which ultimately led to the arrest of **Luvin Ernesto Peres**, 26, Belizean laborer also residing in Duck Run 3.

A search at Peres' residence led to a red motorcycle and a machete with suspected blood stains. The machete is believed to be the murder weapon and the motorcycle being the getaway vehicle.

The post mortem examination was conducted on Monday, September

15, revealing the cause of death as hypovolemic shock and hemorrhage due to multiple chop wounds to the neck.

The investigation led to the arrest of Luvin Ernesto Peres on a murder charge. He appeared before magistrate **Narda Morgan** in San Ignacio magistrate's court on Wednesday, September 17. He was remanded to prison. The matter returns to court on Tuesday, December 2, 2014.

## Man And Boy Facing Burglary Charge

SAN IGNACIO TOWN, Cayo District, Tuesday, September 16, 2014:

A thirty seven year old man and a fifteen year old boy are today in jail on a burglary charge.

At around 4:50 pm on Tuesday, September 16, **Onesimo Chi Jr.**, 34, Belizean mason of an Alta Vista Street address in San Ignacio, visited the police station where he filed a burglary report.

Chi told the police that at around 7:30 am he properly secured his house and left for the day. When he returned later that day, he reportedly heard strange noises inside the house. He allegedly saw a pair of unfamiliar blue slippers in the hallway leading to the living room.

Whilst making further checks inside the house he allegedly saw two male persons leaving his bedroom. He

recognized the minor as his wife's nephew. He told the police that he knows the man as **Omir Polanco**. He told that police that he ordered both men to get out of his house to which they complied.

Police visited the area and observed that entry to the house was gained by removing a piece of plycem from an area above back door.

Polanco and the boy were subsequently detained and, on Thursday, September 18, they were arrested and issued with a burglary charge. The accused appeared before Magistrate **Narda Morgan** where they pled not guilty.

The boy was offered and met a one thousand dollar bail while bail was denied to Polanco. He was remanded to prison until Wednesday, November 12, 2014 when matter will again be heard in court.

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## Editorial



### The Swift and Decisive VS The Slow and Lame

Major violence occurred on the mean streets of Belize City on Wednesday night. Eight persons were shot with three fatalities. **Prime Minister Dean Barrow**, in his usual prompt manner, immediately began to get things moving. In less than 24 hours he had met with the police high command to find out what they have done, what they are doing and what they intended to do to immediately nip this one in the bud.

In the prompt meeting with the police high command, Prime Minister Barrow offered suggestions and financial assistance to law enforcement officials to get on immediately with addressing this scourge. This is what a true leader does. This is the taking of prompt and decisive action.

The ball is now in the court of law enforcement professionals. The political will to address this matter is as solid as a rock. The maximum leader of the nation quickly adjusted his normally busy Thursday schedule allowing him to expended several hours in meetings with the police and

availing himself for a subsequent press conference.

The taking of swift and decisive action is one of several positive attributes for which Prime Minister Dean Barrow is well known.

Contrast this attribute of a true leader to that of the man who wants to be Prime Minister of Belize, the Hon. Leader of the Opposition, **Francis Fonseca**. Making a decision on the **Arthur Saldivar** matter took Fonseca several weeks. Saldivar is alleged to have committed an act, if not theft, bears close resemblance thereto. Expulsion the refore was the inevitable punishment. The buying of time to announce t he inevitable should have been utilized to calm the storm. None of which was done. The PUP executive committee for Belize Rural North is up in arms.

Apart from the ongoing battle for leadership, another ugly storm is brewing in the ranks of the opposition all because of the presence of a slow and lame individual at the helm.

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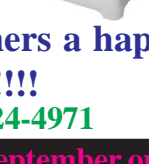
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# Salvadoran Man Planting Weed

**LOS TAMBOS, Cayo District, Monday, September 15, 2014:**

Unable to forthwith pay imposed court fines a Salvadoran farmer was sent to jail on two drug related charges.

It is reported that at around 4:30 pm on Monday, September 15, acting upon information received, police visited the Los Tambos residence of **Juan Antonio Leon**, 30, Salvadoran farmer and **Olga Ofelia**

**Sermeno**, 35, Belizean domestic both residing at the same address.

A search of the house was conducted leading to the discovery of a white plastic bag containing suspected cannabis seeds. The search, extended to the yard, resulting in the discovery of a transparent plastic bag which contained several small plants ranging from one to two inches in height, suspected to be marijuana seedlings.

Leon and Sermeno were instantly detained and escorted to the San Ignacio police station where the seeds were weighed in their presence tipping the scales at 4.8 grams and when counted, the seedlings numbered 48.

The detainees were subsequently arrested and charged for the cultivation of cannabis and for the possession of cannabis. Later that same day, they appeared before Magistrate **Narda Morgan**,

where Leon pled guilty on both charges.

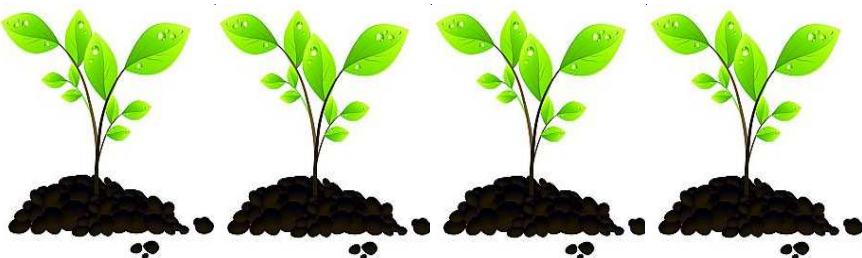
He was fined two thousand dollars for the weed plants and two hundred dollars for the weed seed. He was ordered to pay the twenty two hundred dollar fines forthwith. Unable to come up with the fine, he was transported to the central prison in Hattieville until he can either pay the fine or spend the concurrent one year prison sentence imposed in default of paying the fine. The two joint charges against Sermeno were withdrawn.

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## Brazil Armed Robbers Seize Rio Archbishop's Crucifix

The archbishop of Rio de Janeiro in Brazil has had his crucifix and ring stolen in an armed robbery.

Cardinal Dom Orani Tempesta was on his way to an engagement in the city when his car was ambushed by three men.

One of the robbers, who pointed a gun at the cardinal, realised who he was and apologised, an aide said.

However, the gang continued with the crime only holding back from taking his vehicle as well. The cardinal's items were later recovered.

No-one was hurt in the incident, which happened on Monday evening in the Santa Teresa district of the city.

The BBC's Gary Duffy in Sao Paulo says robberies are common in Santa Teresa - a bohemian area popular with tourists - and have been increasing this year.

A seminary student and a photographer travelling in the car with the cardinal were also robbed.

Despite the ordeal, the cardinal continued on to his engagement while the student and the photographer went to the police.

Brazil's TV Globo says that the thieves abandoned most of the stolen property, which was later recovered.

The ring and the cross were found, as were the archbishop's mobile phone and the seminarian's cassock.

However, the photographer's equipment is still missing.

Dom Orani Tempesta was made a cardinal by Pope Francis earlier this year.

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## Anger vs. Exasperation

A young girl who was writing a paper for school came to her father and asked, *"Dad, what is the difference between anger and exasperation?"*

The father replied, *"It is mostly a matter of degree. Let me show you what I mean."*

With that, the father went to the telephone and dialed a number at random. To the man who answered the phone, he said, *"Hello, is Melvin there?"*

The man answered, *"There is no one living here named Melvin. Why don't you learn to look up numbers before you dial them?"*

"See," said the father to his daughter. *"That man was not a bit happy with our call. He was probably very busy with*

*something, and we annoyed him. Now watch..."*

The father dialed the same number again. *"Hello, is Melvin there?"* asked the father.

*"Now look here!"* came the heated reply. *"You just called this number, and I told you that there is no Melvin here! You've got a lot of nerve calling again!"* The receiver was slammed down hard.

The father turned to his daughter and said, *"You see, that was anger. Now I'll show you what exasperation means."*

He dialed the same number, and a violent voice roared, *"HELLO!"*

The father calmly said, *"Hello, this is Melvin. Have there been any calls for me?"*

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I got a new stick of deodorant today. The instructions said, *"Remove cap and push up*

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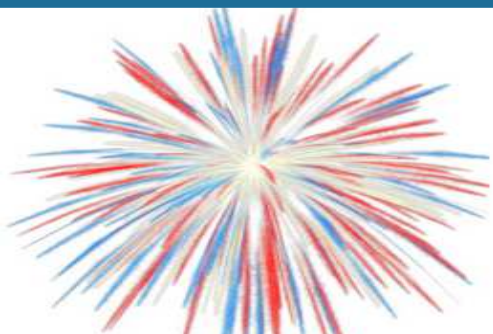
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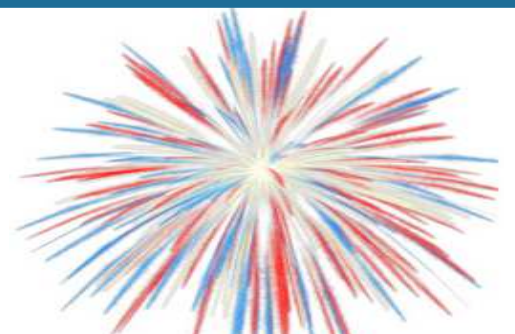


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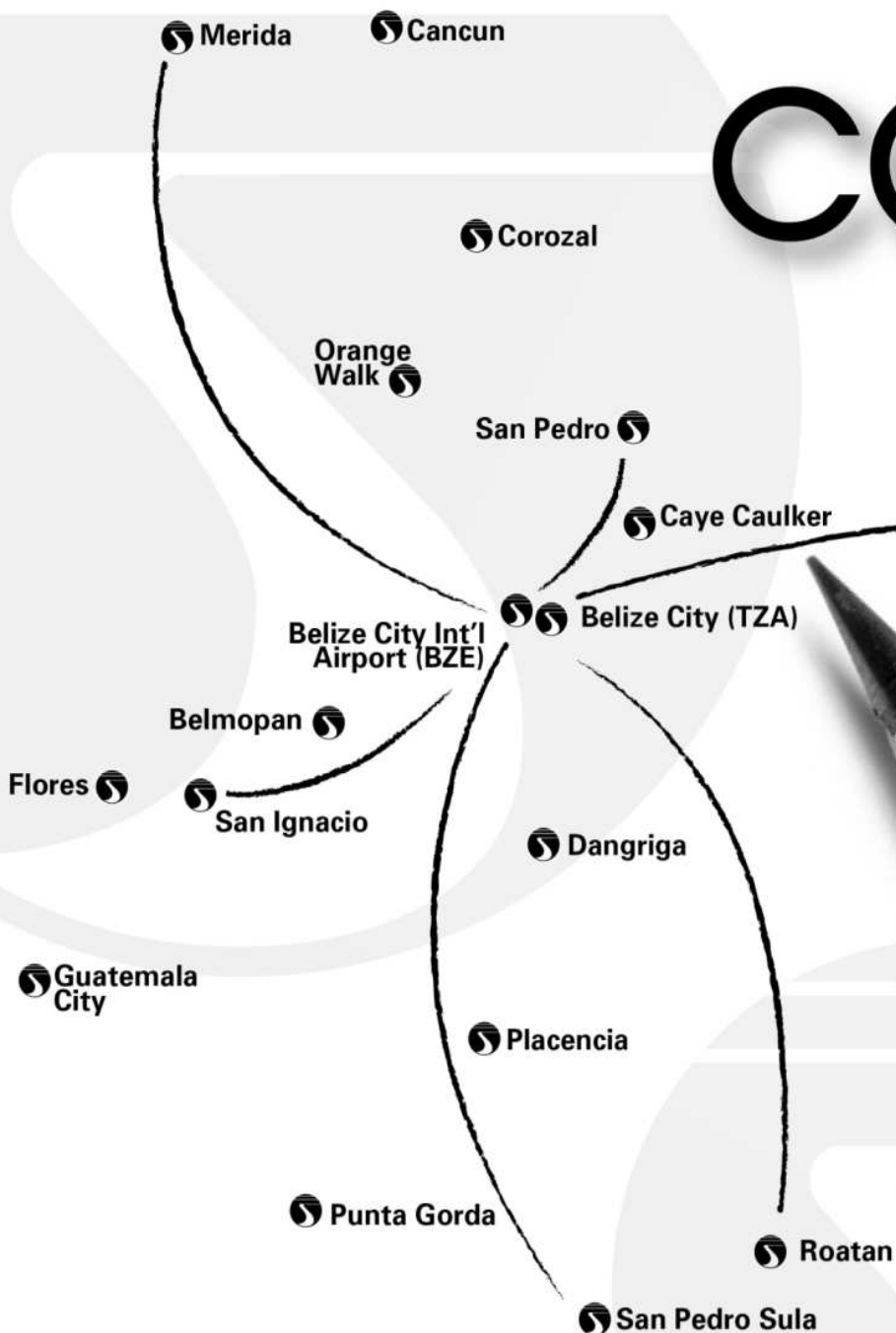
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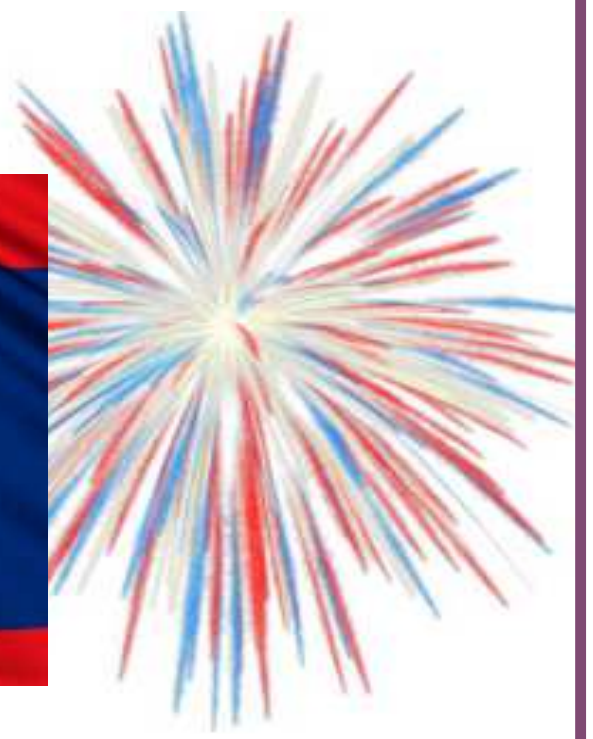
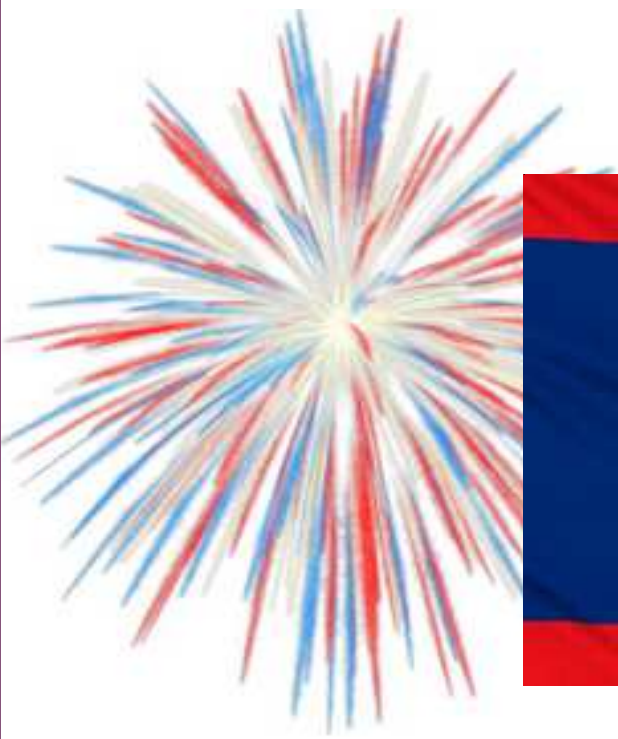
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The Special Envoy for Women and Children, **Mrs. Kim Simplis Barrow** wishes to highlight the fact that violence against women in the family, workplace, community and society in general, is unacceptable and a gross violation of human rights. Violence whether occurring in the home or in the community, instils fear and insecurity in women, often leading them not to report or to withdraw reports.

Mrs. Simplis Barrow encourages both women and men to report acts of violence and follow through with legal proceedings; stressing that fear, social pressures and shame should not be a deterrent to seeking help. The Domestic Violence Act is there to provide protection and the Police Department has an obligation to respond to all reports of domestic violence regardless of the perpetrator. Failure to hold perpetrators accountable

for their actions not only encourages further abuse, but also gives the impression that violence against women and or men is acceptable or normal.

*“The violence is perpetrated by one man, but the responsibility goes far beyond him. The friends and neighbors who ignore or excuse domestic violence, the doctor or nurse who does not go beyond treating the wounds, the police who may refuse to intervene*

*and all of us, in some way or the other, are responsible for the continued acts of violence against women and men,”* states Mrs. Simplis Barrow.

She calls on all society, women and men; boys and girls to condemn violence against women and put an end to the violation of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

The Office of Special Envoy will work with stakeholders to review legislation, systems and policies with a view to ensuring increased protection to victims of domestic violence.

**BY: Special Envoy For Women and Children**

## Karate Bronze Medal-Codicader Games 2014

The Belize Karate Federation would like to extend its congratulations to **Mr. Ceasar Dyk** on his stella performance at the CODICADER Games held in Guatemala on September 3-7, 2014. Mister Dyck fought his heart out against Costa Rican Champion, **Daniel Alfaro** to secure a bronze medal for Belize at a score of 4 points -1 point. Even though Mr Dyck was

the sole karate athlete representing Belize, the auditorium roared with support from the Panamanian and Salvadoran fans. The under 76 kilograms category was won by Guatemalan, **Javier Morales**,

who defeated the sub-champion Nicaraguan, **Andres Abrahan**.

Mister Ceasar Dyck trains at the Cayo Shotokan Karate Club, San Ignacio and has been the National Champion in his category for 2012,

2013 and 2014. He also participated in the 2012, Youth Pan American Karate Championships held in Mexico, and in the 2013, World Youth Karate Championships, held in Spain.

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