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**Jamaica's new Prime Minister takes office
Andrew Holness names cabinet**

The youngest Prime Minister to have ever held such high office in Jamaica, Andrew Holness, took the oath of office last Sunday in Kingston Jamaica. The former Education Minister in the Bruce Golding administration took up the office of Prime Minister at a time of worsening economical and social conditions for an island still plagued by what is the highest crime rate in the region.

One of the most pressing issue facing the country is its crushing debt burden, which comprises 132 percent of Jamaica's annual gross domestic product. In tackling the debt issue head on, Holness vowed to fulfill the government's obligations with its international partners, including a \$1.27 billion standby loan secured from the International Monetary Fund last

year. Very few changes were made to the cabinet inherited from the Bruce Golding administration, but citing the fact that a general election is due by December 2012, Holness did just enough to place his stamp on the new executive. He also retained the portfolio of Education Minister which he held before becoming Prime Minister. In addition to the 14 ministers an additional nine state ministers were also sworn in. Holness said that ushering in a government would heal political divisions, root out corruption, reduce debt and bureaucracy and attract foreign investment to reduce poverty.



In this photo Jamaican newly appointed Prime Minister Andrew Holness

At just 39 years old Holness took the oath of office in the presence of almost 4000 people on the lawns of King's House in Kingston.

Making reference to the many woes which have impacted the island development Holness reflected on the social structures, inequities and injustices inherited from a colonial institutions, three hundred years in the making which could not be reversed in one decade of Independence.

He said that the basis of the struggles of the 1970s was true freedom, however the politics then, created Garrisons that have enslaved our own black people, created lines of demarcation dividing our people, created a free space in which crime can flourish and where the sovereignty and authority of the Jamaican State is challenged by gangs of criminals.

RUSH FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

TEAM RUSH



Welcome to the first issue of RUSH fortnightly newsletter. This newsletter will keep you informed of the programme of RUSH Television.

Like RUSH TV it will keep you updated on the social, cultural, economic and political affairs of Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique and the region. We look forward for a long and fruitful relationship with you our readers and all the RUSH TV viewers.

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Local Feature

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In this photo Alexandra Otway



In this photo Nicholas Steele

Speaking to the Media on the reason for the action, the Opposition Leader Dr. Keith Mitchell says their actions were not prompted by any specific action. Dr. Mitchell added that the review of responsibilities was further nec-

essary since there have been some addition to the party.

Speaking to method in which the Shadow Cabinet will operate, the opposition leader says it will be similar to that of a government cabinet.

The opposition Leader said with these new assignments he will now be giving the different members an opportunity to perform with in the assigned roles. In the release outlining the news responsibilities for the Shadow Cabinet, three persons were assigned to the Ministry of Education, when asked the reason for this, this was Dr. Mitchell's

response. The following are the responsibilities of the Shadow Cabinet: Shadow Minister of National Security, Energy, Information Technology & NADMA - Dr. the Rt. Hon. Keith Mitchell,

Shadow Minister of Health & the Environment - Hon. Dr. Clarice Modeste, Shadow Minister of Social Development, Housing & Gender - Mrs. Yolande Bain-Horsford, Shadow Minister of Finance - Sen. Anthony

Boatswain,

Shadow Minister of Trade & Business Development - Mr. Nicholas Steele, Shadow Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries & Sports - Hon. Roland Bhola, Shadow Minister of Tourism, Culture & Civil Aviation - Mrs. Alexandra Otway-Noel,

Shadow Ministers of Education & Human Resources - Mrs. Delma Thomas, Mr. Samuel Andrew and Mr. Tobias Clement.

Shadow Minister of Foreign Affairs & Carriacou & Petite Martinique Affairs - Hon. Elvin Nimrod,

Shadow Minister of Youth & Ecclesiastic Affairs - Mrs. Emmalin Pierre,

Shadow Minister of Works, Community Development & Public Utilities - Sen. Gregory Bowen,

Shadow Minister of Information & Communication - Mr. Alvin Dabreo,

Shadow Minister of Labour & Legal Affairs - Sen. Dwight Horsford,



In this photo Dr. Keith Mitchell
Opposition leader.



In this photo Elvin Nimrod



In this photo Dr. Clarice
Modeste



Regional feature

Dominica celebrates 33 years of Independence



November 3 marks 33 years of independence from the British by the people of Dominica and as is the usual custom



Dominica's Prime Minister, Roosevelt Skerrit



the country is in a celebratory mood.

Dominica which is situated between the two French speaking islands of Guadeloupe and Martinique still retains a very heavy French influence, one which is expressed in the season of cultural activities to commemorate the islands' independence which can last for as long as four weeks.



This mélange of Creole culture predominates at this time of year, as villages and communities throughout the island compete to show their superiority in preserving and developing different cultural expressions.

The Hon. Minister for Culture, Youth and sports Justina Charles said that the theme for this year celebration will be *Joining Hands in Unity*., the theme she said urges us to come together to celebrate our achievements as a nation and to join hands in unity for the greater good of our people and country", she further stated that it is a patriotic call for all Dominicans to set aside differences of political color, religion, class and race and work together for the good of the nation.

The Minister went on to outline the various cultural activities which will be staged during the celebration, among these are the world renowned Dominica Creole Festival which is staged on an annual basis.



The Commonwealth of Dominica enters its 33rd year of independence, under the stewardship of Mr. Roosevelt Skerrit who became Prime Minister following the death of Pierre Charles in January 2004, At the time of Pierre Charles Death Skerrit was a member of parliament, and in addition to being elected prime Minister, he was also elected leader of the Dominica labor party. Roosevelt Skerrit went on to become prime minister on January 8th

2004, where he has served ever since. He is credited for taking the island out of the economical depression which it suffered as the result of the crash of the Banana market, and today Dominicans can boast of a rising standard of living under his leadership, and the Island is one of the a few in the which is recording a period of economical growth region amidst the global economical recession.



Regional feature

The value of experience in the workplace

As the region comes to grips with shaping a modern educational structure, the question is being asked, what is the value of experience in the work place?

Throughout the region, governments are being forced to review the way in which education is being delivered, and how the end result of educational structures which is more dependent on academic achievements and less on experience and practical application in the workplace is: English, Math's and social science.

This new concept means that children will be accessed for a period of two year, which will provide the opportunity for teachers to monitor their progress and take steps in assisting them to improve in areas where they may be weak.

The Antiguan government has recently eliminated choice of schools for top performing students; this means that the best performing students leaving primary school will no longer have the option to choose what government secondary school they wish to attend when universal secondary school education takes effect in 2013. Minister of Education in the Antiguan



Government **Dr. Jacqui Quinn-Leandro** said no matter which evaluation system are used students will have to be placed strictly based on geography,

The Minister continued "What we want to do is to make sure that we spread the talent across all of our schools so if we use the *modus operandi* of geographical placement it means that even if you are a top student but you live in Pares Village, the closest secondary school to you is the Pares Secondary School."

In a recent article written by **Noel Kalicharan** in a Trinidad News paper he quoted a previous article written by him three years ago in which he stated the cer-

tificate crisis has become a worldwide epidemic which has taken deep root in our country.

He stated that more and more people are being certified by knowing less and less. The root of the problem Mr. Kalicharan wrote is that more and more people are happy to get a "piece of paper" regardless of what they know, and more and more institutions are happy to oblige as long as they make money. More and more, examinations at all levels are being "dumbed down".

Here lies one of the fundamental difficulties with our educational structure; it is no longer the norm that individuals are given the opportunity to work up the ladder through experience on the job.

Paper qualification has become the way into the top jobs, with young university graduates finding their way into the top jobs with little or no experience, whilst those who have grafted to learn their trade over years are being pushed aside rather than being given the opportunity to pass on their experience to the young graduates who in most cases are just at the beginning of their working experience.

The question of Education will continue to be a talking point in the region, as governments throughout work towards shaping the economical development of the



Mr. Noel Kalicharan



Musical feature

Bob Andy



Our feature story today is dedicated to a Great Caribbean Icon who fortunately is still with us, and whose contribution to the development of reggae music must be fully recognized.

Bob Andy born Keith Anderson in Jamaica, started his solo career in the early 60's, he emerged as a reggae star in 1966 with his first smash hit I've, got to go back home, a song which is still remembered and much loved not only by Jamaicans, but by Caribbean people throughout the Diaspora .



In this photo: Bob Andy

By the time Bob Andy burst onto the scene, he had already served a well spent apprenticeship with the legendary vocal group The Paragons, from which another great singer John Holt emerged.



In April of this year Bob Andy was hospitalized after collapsing at his home in Kingston Jamaica.

The legendary singer, songwriter, artist and actor were rushed to the university hospital of the West Indies suffering from a collapse Lungs.

Friends of the artist launched an event dubbed, Bob Andy Unplugged tribute to the Song Writer. The event

took place on September 29, in Kingston Jamaica, and it featured many of the islands top performing artist performing works by the legendary song writer.

The event was a fitting tribute to an artist who has contributed so much to the development of the reggae art form. The friends of Bob Andy came together to preserve Andy's legacy, with proceeds from the concert going toward his medi-



In this photo Bob Andy and Marcia Griffith: Young Gifted and Black

cal care and recovery, and to the Bob Andy song foundation, which was established to nur-

ture and train young songwriters.

Working with legends such as Jackie Mittoo at the studio one studio in Jamaica Bob Andy was able to work on many of his own songs, such as Feeling Soul, My Time, Going Home and Too Experience, as well as contributing to hits by many other artists.

Bob Andy shot to international recognition when he teamed up with Marcia Griffith to record Nina Simone's Young Gifted and Black which sold over half a million copies in the U.K and Europe and became the first reggae song to reach the top ten pip charts in the U,K .

The success of this recording made Bob and Marcia Griffiths household names, appearing on top of the pops and touring Europe extensively .



Regional Feature

Anya Ayong-Chee

The Trinidad and Tobago government, through the ministry of tourism, have moved speedily to secure the services of project Runway winner, Anya Ayong-Chee, to accompany a local delegation scheduled to attend the world Trade Market in London, This was revealed by the Tourism Minister Dr. Rupert Griffith.



In this photo Anya Ayong Chee with her own creatively displayed fashion wear.

Anya emerged victorious from the finals of Project Runway, she entered the competition with only a few months of sewing experience, and was perceived to be an underdog. However with Heidi Klum's on her side Anya's used her charm, confidence and beauty to win the judges on her side and emerged the clear fa-

vorite right from the start, and what was most important is that she proved herself a very competent designer.



Having been crowned the ninth Project Runway winner Anya will receive \$100,000 US Dollars from L'Oreal Paris, a fashion spread in Marie Claire Magazine and \$50,000 technology suit by HP and Intel, and the opportunity to design and sell an exclusive collection on Pipeline.com, She was also voted fan favorite via twitter earning a \$10,000 prize.



Earlier in the season Anya also won \$20,000 US dollars cash prize from L'Oreal Paris and an advertorial in Marie Clair magazine in the 'This is for

Birds', challenge.

Anya is now at the start of what is scheduled to be a very rigorous schedule, and as such the ministry of tourism are still not able to confirm if she would be



In this photo Anya Ayong Chee



In this photo Anya's fashion designs displayed by her models and herself.

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Local Story TAMCC Day in Grenada

T.A. Marryshow who was called the father of federation life and achievements were commemorated by Grenada's state-owned tertiary institution, T.A. Marryshow Community College, which was named after him.

Corporate Communications Officer at the college Camille Roberts in an interview with RUSH TV high-



In this photo Camille Roberts Communications Officer in TAMCC

lighted the different activities planned for the students.

The Communications Officer said that the

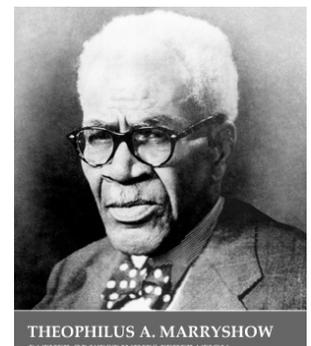
funds raised from the cruise which will be held on Friday will go back into the Student Affairs Department to help fund activities and assist needy students.

After the march, the students along with the drum core, gathered on the college compound to show off some of their talents.

The week of activities for this year's event will be held under the theme



“Looking at Marryshow the visionary Leader”.



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Inside Sports

Reward Package for Athletes announced by Grenada's Prime Minister Tillman Thomas

Prime Minister Tillman Thomas made a statement of intent and gave details of a reward package for the athletes who took part in the 2011 IAAF World championship, also as part of the intended package is the inclusion of former local, regional and international athlete

Arlene Francique.



Grenada's Prime Minister Tillman Thomas

In stark contrast, and in protest to the contents of the Prime Ministers original statement which makes no provisions for a lasting memorial for Gouyaves' own Kirani James great achievements, residents of Gouyave have taken it upon themselves to rename the whole of

Depradine street in Gouyave and the entire 'Lance' street central Gouyave to Kirani James street. Twenty four street signs have been erected through the full length of the street from the Cuthbert Peters Park to the Gouyave health centre.

Residents made it clear that this move is a protest to the Prime

Ministers decision to re name Lagoon Road St. George's to Kirani James Boulevard. They made it clear that while being happy at the governments move, they

are discontent with the omission of Gouyave for a relevant lasting acknowledgement in Gouyave of



Athlete Kirani James at the 13th IAAF World Athletics Championships Daegu 2011



Grenada Volleyball Championship

The Grenada Volleyball Association is organizing its first National volleyball Championship which will begin from November 6th and continuing until the end of November.



The tournament seeks to

continue with the development of volleyball on the island, there are a total of 14 teams register so far with more to come. There is no age limit for participants nor the number of teams that can be entered. The matches however will be held on volleyball courts all over the island.

The tournament is not yet sponsored and potential sponsors are welcome to join as volleyball in Grenada begins to grow more and more popular.



In the photo two members of the Grenada Volleyball adult team.



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