



EDITORIAL

**Rest in Peace
Dr. B.J. Nottage**

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Minister Rolle gets close-up look at GB departments

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Minister of Social Services Lanisha Rolle flew into Grand Bahama on Thursday with a priority in mind. The key objective for the minister was sizing up the Social Services and Urban Renewal sectors.

At the outset of the new central administration's day-to-day work in the departments under the portfolio of Minister Rolle, Minister of the Prime Minister, Kwasi Thompson, has been speaking to relevant issues. On Thursday, he reiterated once again the protocol.

Minister Rolle's first stop was the GB Department of Social Services Office, followed by a visit with Thompson. He spoke to the media.

"Urban Renewal Grand Bahama will no longer be under the Office of the Prime Minister in Grand Bahama. We believe that Urban Renewal Grand Bahama should be together with Urban Renewal Bahamas. It should have one head, one purpose, and one goal.

"Let me be clear, though. Urban Renewal will continue in Grand Bahama, Urban Renewal will be strengthened in Grand Bahama and Urban Renewal will have as its purpose and at its head a vision which will be articulated by Minister Rolle," pointed out Thompson.

Senator Thompson said that concept is a vision from Prime Minister the Hon. Hubert Minnis which is consistent with the goals of the Free National Movement (FNM).

He also informed that the contracts, which were under the former, Ministry of Grand Bahama, involving persons who worked for Urban Renewal, would come to an end on June 30, 2017 (today).

"The availability of those jobs for Urban Renewal will no longer be under the Office of the Prime Minister in Grand Bahama. Those positions now will be available under the General Urban Renewal for The Bahamas which is now under the Ministry of Social Services," he said.

He added that the Ministry of Social Services would fill all of those positions, but emphasized

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SPECIAL VISIT—The staff of the Grand Bahama office greeted the Honorable Lanisha Rolle M.P Minister of Social Services and Urban Development, during a familiarization tour of the facility. Pictured from left are Kendal Mack, Chief Welfare Officer, Minister Lanisha Rolle; Paula Marshall, Assistant Director of Department of Social Services; Patricia Davis, Training Welfare Officer and Keisha McPhee-Smith, Senior Welfare Officer. (PHOTO: JENNEVA RUSSELL)

Pilot Club puts strong focus on road safety procedures

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The Pilot Club of Lucaya recently unveiled its traffic safety billboard by the entrance of the Freeport Harbour. The occasion was Wednesday, June 21. The President of the Club for 2016/2017, Nicole Colebrooke, spoke about the sign's purpose.

She emphasized the focus to promote awareness for brain safe practices, injury prevention and "mindful" behavior.

"Most people only relate brain disorders to Autism and Alzheimers whereas injuries occur on our streets every year with many accidents resulting in brain injuries.

"The Road Traffic statistics in Grand Bahama in 2016 reported that there was a total of 1,257 road accidents and more than 255 reported injuries.

"My tenure as President of the Club ends June 30 (today) and we thought it fitting based on my last initiative to commemorate my year by

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTED MEMBERS FROM WEST GRAND BAHAMA SWORN IN

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Some Members of Local Government in the West Grand Bahama District were sworn in on Thursday at the Eight Mile Rock Administration Complex. Administrator Brenda Bullard-Colebrook presided.

Warren Saunders of the West End Council told *this daily* that he got a good feeling from the process of being sworn in as a member of Local Government to serve the community.

"Like the Administrator said, you have to be a community-minded person. You can't come into this for personal reasons," he said.

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NEW CHIEFS — Administrator Brenda Colebrooke (second left) congratulates Karen Leadon (second right), deputy chairperson and Kevin Morris (right) Chairperson who were selected by the council to serve following the swearing -in ceremony on Thursday June 29. Also pictured is councilman Jaron Harvey (left). (PHOTOS: JENNEVA RUSSELL)

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SWORN IN — Members of the Eight Mile Rock Local Government District Council placed their hands on the Bible together as they were officially sworn in by Administrator Brenda Colebrooke to serve that community. Pictured from left are council members Alexander Rolle, Tadd Martin Jaron Harvey, Kevin Morris and Karen Leadon.