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Tony Miller looks primed to carry on father's legacy

TONY MILLER

LATE SIR ALBERT MILLER

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YOUR WEATHER



88°F

Intervals of clouds and sun

SUNRISE: 7:11 a.m.
SUNSET: 6:52 p.m.
HIGH TIDE: 9:19 a.m. - 9:38 p.m.
LOW TIDE: 3:02 a.m. - 3:35 p.m.
WINDS: SSE at 10 mph

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Appeal to return a family home

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Earline Stubbs and her close-knit family of 10, which includes a physically handicapped son, have been living in close quarters since Hurricane Irma destroyed their home last year, 2017.

The mother, who became a widow, weeks prior to the storm hitting Grand Bahama, witnessed the Sea Grape home she lived in for decades, literally, begin to crumble.

When Central and Local Governments began hurricane relief efforts, immediately following the storm, Stubbs was among those to be helped; however, the home which could not be repaired was eventually pushed down, with the promise of re-building.

However, to date, Stubbs and her family continue to be renters.

But yesterday – Tuesday, October 9 – Stubbs saw a light at the end of the tunnel when Unity in the Community organization came together with concerned residents, members of the clergy, Local Government and the current and former Members of Parliament for the area, to make a public appeal to assist the family with rebuilding their home.

Gathered at Mount Calvary Baptist Church, which is located directly across from the family's vacant lot, Member of Parliament for West Grand Bahama and Bimini Pakesia Parker-Edgecombe, who fully supports Unity

Unity in the Community organization forges partnership, makes public appeal for assistance



PUBLIC APPEAL – Unity in the Community organization brought together concerned residents, members of the clergy, Local Government and the current and former Members of Parliament for the area, to make a public appeal to assist Earline Stubbs and her family who have been displaced since Hurricane Irma. Pictured are members of the committee, along with Member of Parliament for West End and Bimini Pakesia Parker-Edgecombe (seated second right); former Member of Parliament David Wallace (seated right); Rev. Paul Mullings (seated centre) Earline Stubbs (seated second left) and her son (seated left).

(PHOTO: JAIMIE SMITH)



COURT APPEARANCE – Felicos Joseph, a 52-year-old Haitian national, appeared in the Magistrate Court yesterday – Tuesday, October 9 – where he had charges of Unlawful Sexual Intercourse with a minor and Overstaying levied against him. Joseph asked to be deported; however, his request was denied due to the criminal matter he was also facing.



HAULED TO COURT – Jerounto Rolle (left), 18, was hauled before the court yesterday – Tuesday, October 9 – in connection with the September 30 attempted robbery of a business establishment in Hunter's. He was not required to enter a plea and was remanded to BDCS.

(PHOTOS: SHAYNE STUBBS)

Haitian national answers to serious charge

- 18-year-old charged with Hunter's business attempted robbery
- Trio charged with Ammunition Possession

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Felicos Joseph, a 52-year-old Haitian national, had his day in the Magistrate Court yesterday – Tuesday, October 9 – where he had charges of Unlawful Sexual Intercourse with a minor and Overstaying levied against.

Appearing before Deputy Chief Magistrate Debbye Ferguson, Joseph required the assistance of an interpreter, Wislet Jackson, to translate his French Creole.

The court learned that Joseph was arrested on October 1 on the criminal charge of having unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor, sometime between November 2016 to March 2018.

Upon his arrest, police officers consequently made inquiries to the Department of Immigration, which was when they learned of his illegal status.

Joseph, a native of the Northside of Cap-Haitien, told the court, through the translator, that he was brought to Nassau, New Providence sometime in 2014 by a woman named Margaret Matthew, who claimed to be a missionary.

He was granted an 18-day stay in the country, at the time.

According to Joseph, he and Matthew were supposed to be married, and he was to get his residency so that he could eventually move to the United States. However, two years later, she left Joseph, taking the \$6,000 he gave her.

Joseph claimed that he was told that Matthew had moved to Grand Bahama, which was why he came to the island two years ago.

With regards to the Overstaying charge, Joseph pleaded

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