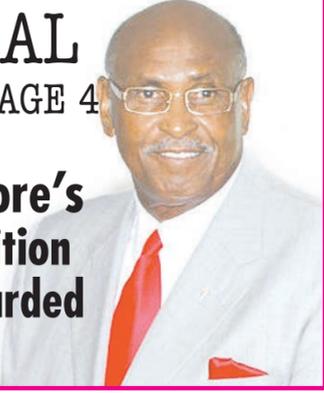


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### Maurice Moore's patriarch position should be guarded



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### YOUR WEATHER



# 82°F

Mostly sunny

SUNRISE: 7:23 a.m.  
SUNSET: 6:34 p.m.  
HIGH TIDE:  
12:26 a.m. - 1:05 p.m.  
LOW TIDE:  
6:32 a.m. - 7:31 p.m.  
WINDS: NNE at 12 mph

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# NO TO SHIFT CHANGE



**NURSES DEMONSTRATE** – Local nurses joined their counterparts nationwide yesterday – Monday, October 29 – morning and marched from the Rand Memorial Hospital's foyer singing hymns to protest a proposed shift change that is to be implemented by the Public Hospital Authority (PHA). (PHOTO: JENNEVA RUSSELL)

## Local nurses join their counterparts nationwide in peaceful demonstration to proposed PHA change in hours

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Local nurses joined their counterparts nationwide yesterday – Monday, October 29 – morning and marched from the Rand Memorial Hospital's foyer singing

hymns to protest a proposed shift change that is to be implemented by the Public Hospital Authority (PHA).  
Members of The Bahamas Nurses Union were joined by other supporting union representatives in the parking lot, as the nurses

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## 37 DISMISSED GRAND LUCAYAN workers want their 'JUST DUE'

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Thirty-seven former employees of the Grand Lucayan Resort, who were dismissed back in 2011 for reported gross insubordination of the Industrial Agreement are looking to be among those listed in the government's hotel payout scheme.

The dismissed employees banded together and enlisted the help of Peter Adderley, president of Creative Works, who yesterday – Monday, October 29 – said that the former employees are entitled to compensation.

Following the recent purchase of the resort by the Free National Movement (FNM) Government that has taken on the financial responsibility of paying out severance packages to current employees that decided to sever their ties with the resort, and then to compensate former employees that were made redundant; the dismissed workers believe they should be among those being compensated.

The payout process is being handled through the Commonwealth Union of Hotel Services and Allied Workers (CUHSAW), and its attorney Pleasant Bridgewater.

However, it appears that the 37 former employees are still not included in the listing of potential payout recipients; therefore, Adderley, public relations consultant for the group, is committed to building and putting forth a case of their behalf.

"We are of the view that they have made a contribution ... upon their dismissal in 2011, they did not receive severance, that is a separate matter; however, they have contributed to the building, the development and the value of the work at the hotel," Adderley said Monday afternoon during an interview. "And we feel they are also entitled to the back pay that is being offered by the government."

Maintaining that he personally spoke with the Minister of State for Grand Bahama, Sen. J. Kwasi Thompson, Adderley said, "he is committed to looking into the matter. I will state and make a formal case for them and present something to him within 72 hours, and I will copy all the relevant stakeholders to ensure that these persons, who have been without a job at the Grand Lucayan since 2011, benefit from

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"Residents are the ones to make things happen and because of partnerships, such as this, we are seeing development and this is a true demonstration of neighbourly love."

~ Pakesia Parker-Edgecombe  
West GB and Bimini, MP



## FROM THE GROUND UP THE FIRST PHASE OF REBUILDING THE STUBBS' HOME HAS BEGUN WITH THE CUTTING OF THE FOUNDATION

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Earline Stubbs and family of Sea Grape, Eight Mile Rock are

excited that the first phase of construction that will eventually end with the rebuilding of their home has begun.  
Earlier this month – Tuesday, October 9 – the Member of Parliament for West Grand Ba-

hama and Bimini, Pakesia Parker-Edgecombe joined the Unity in the Community Committee, clergy and concerned residents of the community to assist the Stubbs family, who lost their

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