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PRESENTATION – Captain Pat Tracey of the *MV Logos Hope* presents Minister of State in the Office of the Prime Minister in Grand Bahama, Senator J. Kwasi Thompson with a plaque and a book, in photo at left. At right *MV Logos* Personnel Manager Matthijs Hoogendoorn provides a history of the Nations represented aboard the vessel during the welcome reception. Included was a young Nassavian Shauna, who is pictured at center in photo wearing a traditional aquamarine Androsia print dress. (PHOTOS: SHARELL LOCKHART)

MV Logos Hope's captain touts world knowledge through books

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Celebrated worldwide for being the largest floating book fair whose operational mission is "bringing knowledge, help and hope to the people of the world," the *Logos Hope* is operated by GBA Ships (Good Books for All), which is a non-profit organization based in Germany.

GBA Ships promote international understanding through cultural exchange programs, community service initiatives

and floating book fairs. *Logos Hope* carries a multicultural crew and staff of approximately 400, representing over 60 nationalities.

Pil-Hun Park (Korea), Director of *Logos Hope* expressed his delight in returning to Grand Bahama.

"Indeed it is a great honor and privilege for me to welcome Minister of State for Grand Bahama Senator J. Kwasi Thomp-

son, President of the Bahamas Senate Katherine Forbes-Smith, Grand Bahama Port Authority (GBPA) President Ian Rolle, Grand Bahama Christian Council President Rev. Peter Pinder and Aliv LTE Media Communications and Network Talia Wildgoose along with all other dignitaries and guests on-board our home, *Logos Hope*.

"Our mission is to advance the

well-being of people everywhere, which is achieved in several ways inclusive of sharing knowledge by making available many good books on-board; ensuring help by assisting educational, social and ensuring hope by affirming the right values and worth of every human being before God.

"Sometimes we are asked as to how can we survive in an inter-

national community, because those inquiring about such seem to think it would be impossible to live in a community like this. However, although we face difficulties from time to time, we live and work together by seeking to understand others' points of view.

"We say to our people, if you do not understand, do not misunderstand, and instead do all you (Continued on Page 5)

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'A Taste of Port Lucaya' event to revitalize marketplace sector

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The cultural format in Grand Bahama will be expanded with the launch of 'A Taste of Port Lucaya,' which is an initiative by the Office of the Prime Minister Grand Bahama.

This economic enhancement

measure set to begin Thursday, August 6, is being coordinated in conjunction with the Ministry of Tourism (MOT), Port Lucaya Marketplace, Grand Bahama Port Authority (GBPA), the Grand Bahama Island Tourism Board (GBITB) and BTC.

Minister of State for Grand Bahama Senator J. Kwasi Thompson presented details on the 'A Taste of Port Lucaya,' which will

kick-start at 6:00 p.m. in the Count Basie Square, Port Lucaya Marketplace on the Thursday, but going forward, shift to Friday.

"It is the mandate of the government and particularly the Office of the Prime Minister in Grand Bahama, to drive economic development.

"These events are designed to (Continued on Page 3)

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