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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**  
**@ 5:00 P.M.**  
**DOWNTOWN, FREEPORT**

**EDITORIAL**  
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Michael Edwards

**A Step Up Lounge recaptures magic**

**HEINEKEN CUP**  
Freeport RFC vs BUCCS  
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2019**  
**2:30PM KICK-OFF**  
Freeport Rugby Football Club  
East Settlers Way (next to YMCA)

**BBQ AND BAR OPEN FROM 2:00PM**

PLEASE COME OUT TO SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL TEAM

# Residents commemorate Majority Rule Day



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Remembrance, resolution and repentance were words residents should embrace, said Canon Norman Lightbourne, rector of Pro-Cathedral of Christ the King, during his address at the Annual Majority Rule Ecumenical Service Thursday (January 10) morning.

"Today, we set aside time to thank God for his loving kindness and tender mercy," said Lightbourne. "I believe that each of you can agree with me, when I say that our God is a good God."

"Brothers and sisters, there can be no denying of the fact that we have come a mighty long way as a country. From a small sleeping village, to one of the leading destinations for tourists. From one local airline, Bahamas Airways, to many local airlines. From one local TV station ZNS, to many local TV stations. From our economy ruled by the British to an independent sovereign nation.

"The point I am simply making in these examples I am using is to show, we have been counted (Continued on Page 7)

**POWERFUL SERMON** – Canon Norman Lightbourne, Rector, Pro-Cathedral of Christ the King delivered the homily, during the Majority Ecumenical Service, January 10.

**SPECIAL SERVICE** – An Ecumenical Service was held in observance of Majority Rule on Thursday, January 10 at the Pro-Cathedral of Christ the King. Deputy Prime Minister K. Peter Turnquest along with other government officials including H.E C.A. Smith joined G.G. Kennedy freedom fighters (PHOTOS: JENNEVA RUSSELL)

## Two armed robberies reported in less than 48 hours

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Police in Grand Bahama have reported two armed robberies, less than 48 hours apart, at the start of the new year. This daily reported the first incident on Tuesday, January 8, when according to police reports, two male culprits entered a business establishment in the International Bazaar, brandishing a firearm, shortly after 1:00 a.m. on Monday, January 7. The report continued that one

of the assailants was armed with a firearm. The duo proceeded to rob the cashier of cash, as well as to hold two patrons at bay, also robbing them of cash and other personal items. The culprits made good their escape and local authorities appealed to the public to come forward with any information that may assist in solving the first reported armed robbery in the country for the year. Less than 48 hours later, local police officials reported yet another armed robbery at a local business establishment, also involving two male assailants.

The latest incident occurred shortly after 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8. Details from police revealed that two male culprits, entered a business establishment on Logwood Road and Yellow Pine Street and held the cashier at bay. "Reports are that shortly after 9:00 p.m. two male culprits entered a business establishment on Logwood Road and Yellow Pine Street, brandishing a firearm and wearing masks. They proceeded to rob the cashier of personal items and took an undetermined amount of money (Continued on Page 3)



**ANNUAL CRIME REPORT** – Senior police officials in Grand Bahama, along with media personnel and members of the clergy gathered in the conference room of the Gerald Bartlett Police Complex Tuesday (January 8) morning, joining their counterparts in New Providence for the annual crime report and statistics, presented by the Commissioner of Police Anthony Ferguson and his executive team. (PHOTO: SHAYNE STUBBS)

## Police training is paramount, says Top Cop

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With a combined partnership with the public, local and international counterparts and

extensive training for members of the Royal Bahamas Police Force, Commissioner of Police (COP) Anthony Ferguson expressed this past Tuesday (January 8) that particular emphasis has and will continue to take precedence in the fight against crime in the country.

During the press briefing on the 2018 crime stats, Ferguson noted, "it is clear that criminals have no friends when they set out to commit acts of crime, like the shooting death and robbery of Police Inspector Carlis Blatch in broad daylight. They (Continued on Page 7)

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**~ WEEKEND SPECIALS ~**

GROCERY SPECIALS		MEAT SPECIALS	
GATORADE ASST. 20 oz DRINKS 2/\$3.00	CHEF CHOICE SALT.....79¢	TURKEY WINGS \$1.09/lb	PORK CHOP CENTER CUT \$1.99/lb
HEAVENLY SOFT HAND TOWEL \$1.29	ISLAND QUEEN CORN 15 oz.....2/\$2.49	BONELESS CHICKEN BREAST \$1.99/lb	CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS 89¢/lb
LEE SPECIAL/CREAM CRACKERS \$1.69	JBI RED KIDNEY BEANS 15 oz.....\$1.69	FRESH PORK \$1.79/lb	OKTAIL \$3.49/lb
	IRISH SPRING ASST. 3 pk SOAP.....\$2.49		
	AJAX DISH LIQUID 12.6 oz.....2/\$3.00		
	MUELLER'S READY CUT MACARONI.....\$1.49		
	BENJAMIN'S BROWNING 140 ml.....2/\$3.00		
	OK FLOUR 4.4 lb.....\$3.29		
	CALUMET BAKING POWDER 7 oz.....\$2.59		
	LULIA'S ASST. PLANTAIN 16 oz.....\$3.69		
	LULU'S ASST. PLANTAIN CHIPS.....99¢		
	ROMA LAUNDRY DETERGENT 500 g.....2/\$2.39		

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