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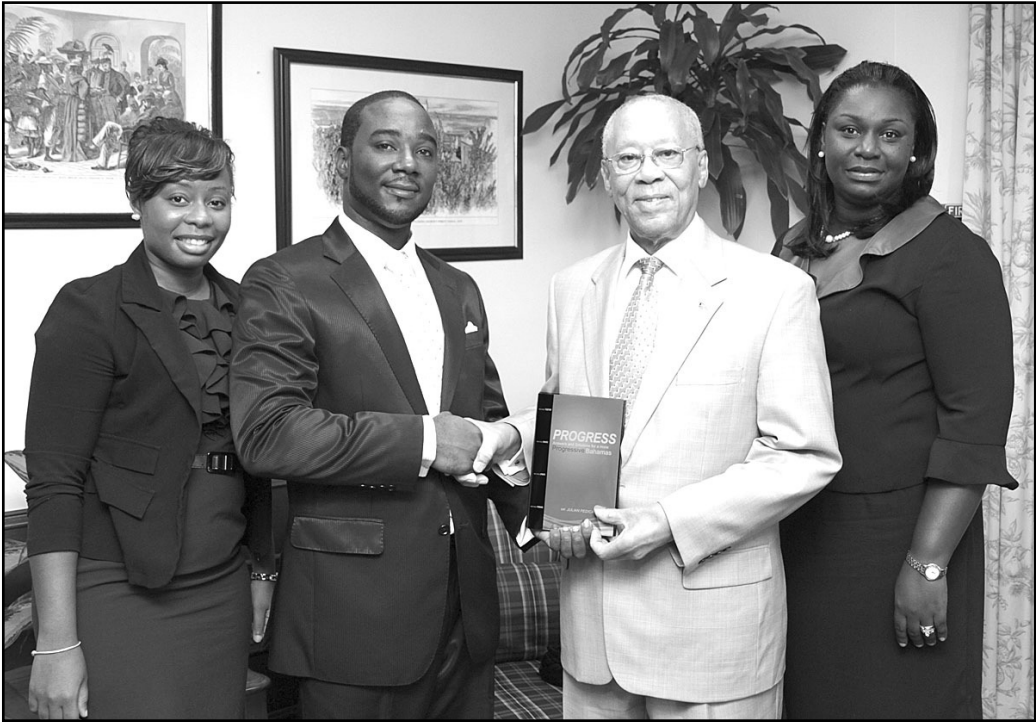
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Vitamalt & BHG Club assist All Saints

★ BHG (Better Hands Giving) Care Club members, along with Jannifer Thurston, Vitamalt rep, wanted to ensure that the kids of the All Saints Camp got off to a good start for this upcoming school year. So they teamed up to donate Vitamalt Back Packs filled with school supplies, along with some Vitamalt products to the Camp. The newly formed BHG Care Club is determined to help persons who

are in need. And Vitamalt, which is brewed by Commonwealth Brewery, “is always happy to lend a helping hand,” says Thurston, after all “Vitamalt takes care of you!” Our photo shows (L-R): Cristabel Johnson, Assistant Secretary BHG club; Dennis Hanna, Retail Business Unit Manager; Mrs Forbes, All Saints; Jannifer Thurston, Vitamalt, and Carmen Forbes, Secretary BHG Club.



Pedican presents book to Sir Arthur

★ JULIAN Pedican presents a copy of his book, “Progress Answers And Solutions For A More Progressive Bahamas”, to Governor General Sir Arthur Foulkes. The

presentation was made in the office of the Governor-General. Our photo shows (L-R): Errolisa McPhee; Mr Pedican; Sir Arthur, and Carla Pedican-Hall. (BIS photo: DEREK SMITH)



Nassau Sunrise Rotary raises \$20,000 for special classroom

★ APPLYING Rotary’s matching grants initiative, the Nassau Sunrise Rotary Club has raised \$20,000 for the installation of a purpose-built classroom designed to facilitate the needs of autistic children. And if it works, the partnership will help fund additional classrooms to foster early testing. “A country that shows empathy for these individuals and works to accommodate their needs, is on the right path,” said Education Minister, Jerome Fitzgerald. “This is a critically important area that we are paying close attention to. And we welcome the public/private collaboration with Rotary and R.E.A.C.H.” The model classroom will be unveiled by Minister Fitzgerald on September 7 at Willard Patton Pre-School on Augusta Street. Karen Pinder, Secretary for the Rotary Clubs of The Bahamas, announced that Rotary Director Dr Janet Brown, from District 7610 in Virginia, who was the lead fund-raiser partnering with Nassau Sunrise, will also be in

attendance. Mike McGinty, designer of the unit, will conduct a tour to showcase the things he has put in place to make it all work. “While these state-of-the-art classrooms are fairly commonplace in the U.S., this will be the first of its kind in the Caribbean,” said Felix Stubbs, Past Assistant District Governor for Rotary Clubs in District 7020. Added Mario Smith, President, Nassau Sunrise Rotary Club: “This is a pilot programme. And if it works, we will seek to challenge corporate Bahamas and other civic groups to commit to more of these facilities.” Our photo shows (L-R): Felix Stubbs, Past Assistant District Governor, District 7020 Rotary Clubs; Mario Carey, President R.E.A.C.H.; Janet Johnson, Director PR for Nassau Sunrise; Minister Fritzgergald; Joanna Neely, Principal, Willard Patton Pre-School; Karen Pinder, Secretary Rotary Clubs of The Bahamas; Mario Smith, President Nassau Sunrise and Lionel Sands, Director, Ministry Of Education.



Minister Pinder speaks to Rotaract

★ MINISTER Of Financial Services, Ryan Pinder, spoke to members of Rotaract of East Nassau during their weekly meeting at Van Breugel’s Restaurant. Minister Pinder outlined some of the benefits that would accompany trade liberalisation and the market

access implications of the World Trade Organisation (WHO) and Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) implementation. Our photo shows some of the audience, with Permanent Secretary Harrison Thompson (front, right). (BIS photo: RAYMOND BETHEL)

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