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@ Unity Sports Club
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C2K9

By Robert Saldenah
President, Resident Author and Righteous Brother

The first thing ah notice when ah reach home was that who ain’t trying to rip yuh off, trying to nickel and dime yuh. After ah clear immigrations and Customs, one of the workers “volunteered” to take my bags outside. Well ah know ah have to tip him, so ah give him \$10 after he put meh bags on the pavement. You know what de man turn around and tell me? “Padner, \$10 cyar even buy ah beer.” Man ah really vex, I sure dat smoke was coming through meh nose, “Padner, \$10 cyar even buy ah beer”. Ah ask him if he plan on buying the beer at the Hilton, the man more vex than me. To cool down the thing, ah give him ah extra \$1 and turn meh back and gone. Ah should ah tell him like Kelvin Berrasa, “Play ‘five’ in the fith race, yuh cyar lose”. I discovered later that was the way the workers in TnT were operating. The boss gives you one price and they giving you their price.

Ah reach home and decided to go and hang out in St. James, and all meh sister telling me, “Boy be careful”. Ah reach in St. James and hanging with meh brethrens, and is the same thing ah hearing, “Be Careful”. Trinidadians living in FEAR. Gunmen gone astray, if God pass in front of them, ah sure that they would ah take ah shot at him. Worse yet, two days later ah man from Canada (Trini), shoot ah “Fresh Water” (American Trini) because he wine on his girlfriend. “Boy be careful, doh go and wine on nobody girl”.

Well now, they have me more scared than ever, ah afraid to go to the ATM machine or to the Bank to get money because they say that man does follow yuh from de Bank and stick yuh up. And another thing, doh resist, give it up,
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C2K9 Cont'd

yuh life worth more. Well if yuh really dotish you could go and withdraw money from the ATM late in de night. Things so dread in Trinidad, that even Desperadoes, the baddest steelband even had to stop rehearsing up de hill because the players who are not living up there refused to go up de hill to practice. In de prelims, ah hear Despers only had about 51 players, the first night they move down to around de Savannah, 24 players join de band. Ah hear ah story but ah ain't know how true it is. Ah ole Despers send down his son from Brooklyn to play with them, and after two nights he called his father and tell him that he ain't playing with that band again because every night is ah shooting around de pan yard. Doh quote meh, because ah hear, and yuh know Trini like to blow up ting.

One afternoon, ah went to check out Errol, a tailor on Nelson and Queen Street. Errol is ah big red man, who does bring one of the biggest section in All Stars on Monday, and Errol selling beers, sweet drink and yuh could even add time to yuh cellular phone by Errol. Well ah outside hanging on the balcony, and ah see ah lil man, bare back, in ah short pants with a big heavy gold chain around his neck, so ah ask "Boots" another tailor, who is he. Boots tell meh, doh point at him or watch him in his face because he would come up stairs to "look" for meh. Half an hour later ah see three cops, one with a machine gun, and de other two with 45's coming up Queens Street from George Street, and when they reach Nelson Street, they look up Nelson Street, and went down de other way. The thing about it, is that down Nelson Street is quiet, up Nelson Street is where everything taking place, but they so coward they ain't going up there. Ah have ah cousin – Glenroy – de call him "Sundance", living up Quarry Street side, he tell me doh come and look for him, he will come and look for me. He said that it have a lil riot between men from Upper Quarry Street and men from Gloster Lodge Road, and that one night, some men from up de hill come down and had a lil shoot out with other men from Gloster Lodge. They pick up two in the morning in "Lover's Lane. They used to call the lane "Lover's Lane"

well they changed the name to "Death Lane".

Yuh know with all ah dat, ah really ain't see nothing and de Carnival was really clean because de Police make a sweep ah week before Carnival and rounds up all de men with outstanding warrant for de Carnival. Jour Overt morning after 3:00 am when ah coming out of Diego, big road block by de Cocorite Flyover. Police stopping everybody and if they know yuh or yuh look suspicious they pulling yuh out and rubbing yuh down. If they find anything on yuh, well dat is your Carnival. Dey carrying yuh to court on Ash Wednesday morning. Ah hear it was the same thing up in de East. It had about four or five road blocks on the Priority Bus Route, and they checking yuh in City Gate when the Maxi drop yuh. They were doing the same thing on the Lady Young, Betham and all the highways leading into town. Carnival Tuesday night ah reach St. James after 11pm, and the Western Main Road like ah highway. Cars flying down the Main road. Nobody outside of "Smokey and Bunty". Ah ask "Roachie" from Phase II what causing dat, and he tell me that they had a lil bottle throwing incident, between one group on one side of the road and another on the opposite side, and Police run everybody home. He say that they were beating people, and he nearly pass in it, but de Sarge know him and that is how he ain't get his share. However, as ah say, I ain't see nothing and the Carnival was really clean, so next year ah going back again. Man ah love meh Carnival.

Gone but Not Forgotten

This year a few of our friends and well loved Caribbean Bostonians passed on. We miss them and wish their loved ones much love.

- **Frank Sylvester Najim** 1930-2009
- **Inglis Chrichlow** 1946-2009
- **Reginal Reynold McKenna** 1954-2009
- **Margeed Mohammed, (Sheriff)** 1944-2009
- **Mencilla Casilda Jacob** 1967-2009

Ah miss it -TnT Carnival 2009

Written in "Trini speak"

Well I wasn't there but I hear and I see. Meh girl friend Pam called around 11:30 in the morning. "Girl, yuh miss the fete of the year". I guess she talking about Soca Monarch. At 11:30 am I am at work in the cold in Boston and I really doh want to hear from my friends in TnT, enjoying the carnival. But yuh know how we do. Ah Trini ha to rub it in. Pam tell me about all who she see and wuh they were doing and to whom. I get all the gossip. Even though I was jelouse I still had one fuh she. I was watching the bacanal from the internet. Ah wasn't up close and personal but I was able to check out we ting while relaxing in bed with a carib and meh man. But next year ah go be there.

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