



## Welcome to the August Monthly Newsletter!

We welcome you to this August edition of the newsletter, bringing positive and inspiring news about our Jewel as well as how the Belizean Diaspora is making a positive impact on the lives of others. We also welcome students in Belize and abroad back to school and wish them all the success in this new term!

We are proud to share with you several stories in this edition, such as how Belize has gained international recognition as a World Leader protecting the ocean or how Belizeans are helping Belizeans, Digi's and UBNI's scholarships, and the journey of an extraordinary Belizean living in the US, Mrs. Florita Mak, who is our "Belizean Star of the Month". Also read about how to prevent dengue and how Team Belize did on the U-15 Boys CONCACAF Championship. Learn also on "What's Trending," about each of the 8 Miss Universe Contestants who are prepping for September 6<sup>th</sup>, how CNN's Evan Perez made Belize proud at Mount Kilimanjaro, and what made Belizean-American Gymnast Simone Biles make history once again! Similarly, we are happy to share with you Ambassador Daniel Gutierrez's message under "Ambassador's Desk."

Check out our recipe of the month, which features a delicious home-made "Honey Bun" for any occasion. Check out the section *Upcoming Events* to find out more about "Disco Fever", "Family Day" and many more Belizean celebrations happening in the month of September.

For those of you who have not had the opportunity to visit the Consulate's office nor are familiar with the services that we offer, you may visit our website at [www.belizeconsulatefla.com](http://www.belizeconsulatefla.com) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) to receive updates about Belize, the Consulate and upcoming events.

As we update our database, and in order to serve you better, the Consulate of Belize in Florida continues to conduct phone calls to its constituents to confirm each's contact information. We appreciate your cooperation and support in sharing your contact information, so that you and your family can continue to be informed about services offered by the Consulate as well as get updates on Belize.

If you are aware of a Belizean residing in the United States who is making a positive impact on the lives of others while contributing to their native country, please submit their story to us so that we may feature them in our newsletter. Perhaps the Star of the Month for September could even be you!

Enjoy and share with your friends!