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Belize: An Overview

By Emily Kennedy

Belize is at the northeastern corner of Central America. The second largest barrier reef in the world, it is seventeen miles offshore in the Atlantic Ocean.

The population of Belize is 158,000. Main exports include timber, sugar and cattle. The tropical climate makes it a good location for growing citrus fruits as well. The mean annual temperature is 78 degrees F with a three to four month dry season from February to May.

The altitude ranges from sea level in the east to 3,000 feet in the mountains bordering Guatemala in the west. Per capita yearly income is \$840. The literacy rate is 80 percent...10 percent above Scotland County. Belizeans are

of African, Indian, Asian and European descent. Belize is not recognized as a separate country by its neighbor, Guatemala.

British Honduras became Belize in 1954 when it began rejecting British control. Independence was won in 1981, and the present government is democratic. In November 1984, George Price, Prime minister for twenty years, was voted out of office.

Popular sentiment, particularly among the young, is optimistic that the change of control will help Belize's economy prosper. But some middle-aged Belizeans anticipate little to no change from the election results.

S.A. And the E.R.A.

by Beth Davison

The women's movement has been a significant part of our generation. Women have gained many rights in our life time and continue to struggle for equality. Even St. Andrews has changed and grown from the movement, incorporating women administrators and faculty as well as sending many confident, capable women into the professional working world.

To continue keeping St. Andrews with the changing times of ERA and inclusive language, 'Women in Dialogue' has been formed. 'Women in Dialogue' is a group for women and men organized in an effort to raise campus awareness of women's

concerns. This semester the group has spent time engaging in "Consciousness Raising" with Dr. Martha Knight leading discussions about common concerns. Sharing experiences has enabled the group to establish a foundation to build on for next year.

During the next academic year 'Women in Dialogue' hopes to branch out and become more action-oriented. Some plans include dialogue with the campus as well as bringing in speakers. Next year the group encourages any female or male having an interest in women's rights to join us.

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