

Rhodes Scholar named

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Alisha Gabriel has been selected as Bermuda's Rhodes Scholar for 2012. She is currently studying at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) and expects to graduate in June 2012 with a Bachelor of Medicine, Surgery and Obstetrics.

Throughout medical school, Alisha has earned high honours and was the recipient of the Paget Parish Scholarship, the OIL Scholarship, the Montpelier Re Scholarship and the Knowledge Quest/Green Family Scholarships.

Ms Gabriel was awarded the RCSI Biomedical Medal and was chosen as a finalist for the Dennis Gill Paediatrics Medal. Due to her excellent academic standing, Alisha won the RCSI alumni research grant and conducted research on Solar Disinfection (SODIS) of drinking water for communities in the developing world.

Ms Gabriel is also the founder and president of the first Bioethics Society at RCSI which has encouraged reflection and debate on important ethical issues. She

has also written a paper on end of life care, which was accepted for publication in the RCSI medical journal.

She is the daughter of Charlene Gabriel of Paget and the grand-daughter of Corinne and Rendell Tungate of Paget.

Ms Gabriel attended Mount Saint Agnes Academy, The Home Education Academy and Bermuda High School for Girls. She spent her final years of secondary school at Academie Ste. Cecile International High School (ASCIS) where she achieved top grades and received an award of merit for her Ontario Secondary School Degree. While at ASCIS, Alisha was elected Head Girl of the Student Council and was named a Global Young Leader.

Ms Gabriel's passion for health care has led her to spend five years working as a summer student at King Edward VII Memorial Hospital. She conducted and designed a research project, at the hospital, to study the transmission of MRSA through the use of stethoscopes. Alisha is also the founder and chairman of the first Bermuda Medical Students' Society which aims to advise and provide mentorship for Bermudian medical students. ■



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Tax exchange signed with Italy

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Bermuda signed a Tax Information Exchange Agreement (TIEA) with Malaysia and Italy On Monday in London.

The agreements were signed by Bermuda Premier Paula Cox.

She signed them with Dato' Sri Zakaria Sulong, the High Commissioner of Malaysia to the United Kingdom and Alain Economides of the Italian Embassy in London.

The Italian agreement means Bermuda has signed a TIEA with all G7 countries.

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