

Breakfast With A Leader

Rotary International has been part of Jamaica for 50 years and one of the special initiatives to recognize this important milestone is our 'Breakfast With A Leader' initiative. Each club in Jamaica is participating, but as the only breakfast club in Jamaica, we have dubbed our initiative 'Breakfast With A Leader'. But whether it is breakfast, lunch or supper, each Rotary Club is called upon to host young people as part of a meaningful programme of dialogue and relationship building.

For us at New Kingston, 'Breakfast With A Leader' is not just an opportunity to have young people share food and fellowship with us, but very important, we want to discover avenues for service and meaningful opportunities to build a constructive relationship with our youth leaders.

Another thing, the young participants will have the opportunity of applying, if they so wish, for the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, based on their demonstrated leadership qualities. We know you will find today's exchange a useful and rewarding experience!

SALUTING OUR OFF-SPRING

The EARLYRISER is pleased to reproduce the following article on the work of our 'off spring' - the Rotaract Club of New Kingston, which appeared in The Daily Gleaner of Wednesday March 25, 2009

Youth club goes back to school

At least one group of Jamaicans is not allowing the worsening economic crisis to quell their desire to help others. The Rotaract Club of New Kingston, one of the 18 youth arms of the Rotary Club in Jamaica, continues to work diligently to make a difference in its community despite the present financial downturn. The club celebrates its five-year anniversary this year and has undertaken a number of tasks since its inception.

Julie Ramchandani, president of the club, said the tasks include a number of past and ongoing projects such as the painting of the Sandhurst Basic School, clothes drives for victims of Hurricane Ivan and regular projects at the Glenhope Place of Safety. "Our three main ongoing projects include the Swallowfield Homework Centre, JAMAL now the Jamaican Foundation for Lifelong Learning and the Homestead Place of Safety for Girls," she informed. The club visits Swallowfield every Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon, where they provide assistance to some 55 young people from the community.

"We help them with their homework, we provide career counselling and we've also got reading specialists to help them, as some of them cannot read or write," she said. "Rotaract, in particular, concentrates on the Grade Six Achievement Test so we work with them and help them to strengthen the areas where they are weakest," Ramchandani added. The group also teaches at the Jamaican Foundation for Lifelong Learning every Monday evening, where according to the president "The students are eager to learn as several of them have dropped out of high school for lack of financial resources, or have had family obligations that never allowed them to complete their high school education." The group also brings much joy and entertainment to the girls at the Homestead Place of Safety where they make quarterly visits.

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The Rotary Club of New Kingston



Breakfast with A Leader

A Youth Leadership Building Opportunity Initiative

Friday, March 27, 2009
at 8:00am

Jamaica Pegasus Hotel

Guest Speaker:
Mr. Jimmy Moss Solomon



Club President: John Lindo

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Call to Order President John Lindo

Rotary Grace Rtn. Carl Chantrielle

“ O Lord and giver of all Good ,We thank Thee for our daily food ; May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, Help us to serve Thee all our days”

The Rotary 4-Way Test Rtn. Lloyd Butler

“ Of the things we think, say, or do: Is it the truth? Is it fair to all concerned? Will it build goodwill and better friendship? Will it be beneficial to all concerned?”

President's Time President John Lindo

*Welcome and Opening Remarks
Apologies for Absence
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians
Introduction of Visitors
Birthdays and Anniversaries
Welcome back of members*

Rotary Minute Rtn. Lloyd Samuda

Introduction of Guest Speaker PP. Alwyn Smith

Guest Speaker Mr James Moss Solomon

Secretary's Time Rtn. Godfrey Boyd

Announcements, Notices & Attendance Report

Sergeant's Time Rtn. Oswald James

**About Rotary Youth Leadership
& Breakfast With A Leader** Rtn Derrick Thompson

ROUNDTABLE DIALOGUE

Presentations From Group Leaders

Vote of Thanks PP. Danny Hayre

**Toast to Rotary International
& Club of Choice** VP Clive McLean

Closing National Anthem

A Rotary Fact

Dis you know that the first Rotaract Club was chartered 41 years ago on March 13 in North Carolina, USA.

Dis you know that March is Literacy Month on the Rotary calendar. Around the world there are some 137 million school age children who are illiterate.

Quotable Quote

“I find television very educational. Every time someone switches it on, I go into another room and read a good book.”

Groucho Marx, Comedian and Actor, 1895 - 1977

Attendance Roundup

Attendance For Last Meeting

Number used in calculation	35
Number present last meeting (including make-ups)	28
Attendance percentage	80 %

Visiting Rotarians (at meeting 5/11/08)

Lenworth Gayle (*Trafalgar New Heights*), PADG Webster Edwards (*St. Andrew*), Leroy Patterson (*Kingston*), William Foster (*Kgn. East & Port Royal*), Eugene Folkes

Visitors

We welcomed Mrs. Rose-Marie Gibbs, Khristian Simpson, Anastacia Reid, Christopher Goldson, Lysa Small, David Lee, Julie Ramchandani, Neville Graham (*Rotaract Club of New Kingston*), Rose-Marie Gibbs, Khristian Simpson, Anastacia Reid, Christopher Goldson, Lysa Small

Rotarians Away Last Meeting

Absent from fellowship last week were: Athlestan Bellamy, Carl Chantrielle, Duncan Cooper, Hilary Jardine, Otis Johnson, Michael Jones, Kent LaCroix, Errol McKenzie, Wayne Powell, Paul Smith, Ivan (Mitch) Stephenson, Rudolph Stevens, Lloyd Samuda, Lincoln Robinson and Norman Williams

Rotarians & Honorary Members Away or On Leave:

Earl Jarrett, Neville Theobalds, Phillip Wittaker.

Birthdays & Anniversaries Salute

<i>Tuesday, March 17</i>	Birthday of Rotarian Victor Rhone
<i>Monday, March 23</i>	Birthday of Rotarian Bill Aiken
<i>Tuesday, March 24</i>	Birthday of Jennifer, wife of Rotarian Lloyd Samuda
<i>Tuesday, March 24</i>	Birthday of Rotarian Neville Theobalds
<i>Saturday, March 28</i>	Birthday of Rotarian Carl Chantrielle
<i>Sunday, March 29</i>	Birthday of Hyacinth, wife of Rotarian Carl Chantrielle

Club News

WHAT A FELLOWSHIP: Last Saturday evening, Rtn Ossie and wife Shirley and daughter Renee were gracious in opening up their Long Mountain residence to members in an excellent evening of togetherness. It was a splendid affair, and honestly, the Sarge (Rtn Ossie) should really charge all who missed it. Thanks to our gracious hosts

CLUB ASSEMBLY POSTPONED: President John and the leadership have put off the Assembly scheduled for this week-end in order to allow members of the incoming Administration to attend their preparatory training session. A new date will be announced shortly.

FISH FRY FUNDRAISER: PP Garth is leading the charge for this activity which will take place next month - Friday April 24, at St John Ambulance. Tickets will be out soon. It's Fish Friday and we need to sell the tickets.

DOCTORS ON STAGE: Members who still have not settled their outstanding contributions (tickets bought) for this fund-raiser are being asked to do so ASAP. Each member who did not attend or sold tickets is being asked to make a contribution of \$1000. Remember this was a joint initiative with the Jamaica Cancer Society, the Rotary Club of New Kingston and the Urological Society of Jamaica.