

District News

Rotary Leadership Training -November 15 & 16

This is your opportunity to prepare for leadership service in Rotary beyond the level of the club, which is the extent to which most Rotarians wish to rise. Without the expense of airfares, and a subsidised registration fee of US\$65.00, you will be able to get up to date with your Rotary knowledge and prepare yourself for assuming service at a higher level. PP Dennis is marshaling this RLI training seminar which will take place at the Mona Visitors' Lodge. Let's ensure a strong New Kingston participation.

Rotary International News

Home-schooled students form Interact club

From her vantage point as a public librarian in Norman, Oklahoma, USA, Basha Hartley could see how hard home-schooling parents work to educate their children. She also noticed how home-schooled children can become isolated from their peers at public high schools. "I began noticing these great kids who are kind of invisible in our community," says Hartley, a member of the Rotary Club of Norman. "I don't think most of our club was aware of this fairly large group of home-schooled children." After three years of talking to home-schooling families, Hartley was able to persuade a group of teens to begin an Interact club in August 2007. The Norman Home School Interact meets monthly in the library -- with Hartley and Joe Gil, of the Rotary Club of Norman-Cross Timbers, as sponsors -- and held its charter banquet in June.

From our last Guest Speaker

More correctly, it was last week's guest speakers, for indeed that is what it was as PP Norman lead the meeting in a spirited discussion on Jamaica in the context of 46 years of independence and where we have come as a people and a nation. From banking to discipline, education to the lack direction and the role of our parliamentarians in the process, the consensus was that we seem to have definitely squandered our opportunity. Yes we might have been well placed and blessed, but regress we have in the wake of progress. If any of that makes sense. At the end of it all, everyone contributed expressing the need for an organization like Rotary to really play a lead role in charting a better and more prosperous future for our people. Well done Rotarian guest speakers all. Can we have part two sometime soon to explore the solutions!

A Late Season Storm

Disaster Chairman Rotarian Dave Nickerson took the opportunity of the late season storm Tropical Storm PALOMA to issue a reminder to all that while we are nearing the end of Hurricane Season, we are not out of the woods just yet. Tropical Storm PALOMA on a current track of North/North - East is likely to pass some high winds and heavy rain our way. He has called on all ADGs/District Chairs for Disaster Preparedness to be on full alert and be proactive in disseminating relevant information. His simple message in all this is "do not panic and please ensure that you, your families and your neighbours are prepared. Make to have some extra stored food and water, petrol in your car, a little more cash on hand, double check and rectify any damage that might have been left unattended to, and check that elderly people in your community are OK. Clear the yard of items which are likely to be damaged or blown away

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Rotary Club of New Kingston



Agenda For Club Meeting

Friday November 7, 2008, 8:00 AM

Jamaica Pegasus Hotel

2008/09 Club President

Rtn. John Lindo

Meeting Agenda

Meeting Call to Order	President John Lindo
Rotary Grace	PP Delano Hayre
The Rotary 4-Way Test	Rtn. Mark Nelson
President's Time	President John Lindo
President's Opening Remarks	
Apologies for Absence	
Introduction of Visiting Rotarians	
Introduction of Visitors & Guests	
Welcome Back Members	
Birthdays/Anniversaries	
Announcements & Notices	
A Rotary Minute	Dir. Lloyd Samuda
Secretary's Report	Rtn. Godfrey Boyd
Sergeant's Time	Rtn. Oswald James
Introduction of Guest Speaker	Rtn. Otis Johnson
Guest Speaker	Mr. Rhyce Campbell <i>Corporate Regulatory Manager Carreras Group</i>
Vote of Thanks	Rtn Derrick Thompson
Toast to Rotary International And Club of Choice	Vice President's Choice
Closing	National Anthem

Rotary Grace

*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 Four Way Test

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

Attendance Round-up

Attendance For Last Meeting

Number used in calculation	
Number present last meeting <i>(including make-ups)</i>	33
Attendance percentage	54%

Visiting Rotarians

Leroy Patterson, Mike Fennell (*Kingston*) Lloyd Eubank - Green & Webster Edwards (*St. Andrew*); Leighton Knight (*Spanish Town*)
A warm New Kingston welcome to you all!

Visitors

We welcomed The Hon. Patricia Durrant, guest of Rtn Carlton

Rotarians Away Last Meeting

Absent from fellowship last week were: Rtn Hilary Jardine, Rtn Rudolph Stevens, PP Larry Bailey, PP Kent LaCroix, Rtn Errol McKenzie, Rtn Paul Smith, Rtn. Dennis Pyne, PP Ivan Stephenson, Rtn William Aiken, PP Althelstan Bellamy, PP Dennis Chong, Rtn Micheal Jones, Rtn Clive McLean, Rtn Mark Nelson, Rtn Derrick Thompson

Rotarians & Honorary Members Away or On Leave

PP Earl Jarrett, Rtn Neville Theoblads, Rtn Phillip Whittaker, Rtn Richard Pandohie, PP Gladstone Barrett

Birthdays & Anniversaries Salute

We have no celebrants for this week

Club News & Notices

Constant Spring Health Fair - Saturday, November 15

Director Lloyd is moving ahead with plans for the staging of our annual Health Fair for the children at the Constant Spring All Age School. The school has been contact and the necessary advisory sent out to the parents. Rtn Bill is marshaling the team of doctors and the securing of sponsors is underway. We expect to provide the full menu of health services to the children – general medical, dental, vision and hearing tests. All Rotarians are reminded that in addition to the professional team, they too are expected to play their part. The health fair will run from 9.00 AM to midday. Rotarians need to be on spot by 8.00 AM.

Gary Grant Vocational Services Awards – Friday, November 28

The invitation for nominees is open as we prepare for the annual staging of the Gary Grant Vocational Service Award, named in honour of our former Director who succumbed in a tragic road several years ago. In the absence of Director Gladstone, President John has asked PP Lincoln to guide the planning for the ceremony. He is being assisted by a small committee comprising PP Locksley, Rtns Hilary, Otis and Mark. For this year, the vocational area of recognition will be child health, with special focus on child mortality, in keeping with the RI President's priority. Awards will be made in two categories - institutional and Rotarian awards. Nomination forms have been distributed to clubs across the island, inviting their submissions, which must be in by November 17. The ceremony will take place at our last meeting in November.