

G O D M O R N I N G !

Thursday, May 31, 2007

“Culture is Us!”



Rotarians and Guests from the Rotary Club of Kingston, Jamaica

The Rotary Club of Kingston is the first Rotary Club established in Jamaica. It received its charter in October 1959. There were 30 initial charter members and, membership has grown to 100 over the past several years. Each year, the club chooses a major project to be the focus of their attention, and, several organizations in Jamaica have benefited from these projects.

We first became affiliated with the Rotary Club of Kingston in 1997 when, with the Naples Sunset Rotary Club, \$5,000 was raised to help build an asthma clinic at the Bustamante Children’s Hospital. This was the only asthma clinic on the island and was sorely needed.

We again partnered with the Jamaican Rotarians around 2001 to raise funds for an HIV testing machine at the National Health Lab in Kingston.

Finally, a major project was designated some 3 years ago to build a green space and park at Dunrobin, one of Kingston’s most blighted areas. Our club initially raised \$5,000 for this project and, the following year was successful in obtaining the second largest matching grant in the Kingston club’s history (total funds of \$80,000) to build a new basic school and refurbish the park.

By this time, we had become official “twin clubs” and 26 of us, including Rotarians from the Sunset club took a trip to Kingston to see firsthand what the money would be doing. While there, we were treated to world class hospitality and were able to paint the YMCA in Kingston as well as enjoy fellowship with our Jamaican friends. All of us were deeply touched meeting the children whom this new school would benefit.

Now, our friends are here to visit us and provide some community service of their own for us. Please give them a warm Naples welcome and, enjoy the fellowship the next four days have to offer!

May is International Service Month -

WELCOME
VISITING
ROTARIANS
AND
GUESTS



Attendance Last Meeting

Members Present:	73	80.61%
Makeups:	6	
Visiting Rotarians:	4	
Guests of members:	4	

Did you make up?



Guest Speakers

Next Week: Rick Thomas, Another point of view on expanding I-75 with tolls.

Last Meeting: Virginia Bailey, The Daughters of the American Revolution Flag Lady



Birthdays & Anniversaries

<u>Member</u>	<u>Birthday</u>	<u>Age</u>
Dave Driapsa	May 31	52
Dan Monaco	May 27	71
Berie Simmonds	May 30	54
<u>Member</u>	<u>Wedding Anv.</u>	<u>Years</u>
Jim McLaughlin	May 30	48
<u>Member</u>	<u>Club Anv.</u>	<u>Years</u>
Peter Girardin	May 27	25

Part of the inhumanity of the computer is that, once it is competently programmed and working smoothly, it is completely honest.

Isaac Asimov (1920 - 1992)



Distinguished Rotarians

<u>Rotarian</u>	<u>Honored</u>
Carl Loveday	May 5, 2007
Jesse Hinson	Apr. 12, 2007
Jack Dick	Mar. 8, 2007
Mike Welsh	Feb. 2, 2007



Rotarian of the Year 2005-2006

Carla De Marco



**100% Paul Harris Fellows
or Sustaining Members**

Rotary District 6960

<http://www.rotary6960.org/>



Rotary International

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The Kingston Rotarians are here....

The Rotary Club of Kingston, Jamaica visits Naples North - Today through June 2nd.

Here's the plan from International Service Director, Paul Jones.

Today - Breakfast at our club.

Today- A trip to the Everglades for a swamp buggy ride, airboat ride and alligator exhibit at Wootens. Cost \$35 per person.

Tonight and tomorrow - free time.

Tomorrow night - A dinner and party at the beach-front house of Rotarian John Clapper. We will have an auction conducted by Rotarian Bob Moates of the items at that time to benefit the RC of Kingston.

Saturday - We paint the Naples YMCA.

Saturday evening - A dinner cruise on The Naples Princess is planned. Dinner is usually prime rib and a second dish of chicken or fish. Alcohol is not included but may be purchased separately. The cost is \$56 per person.

Sunday - The Kingston Rotarians and friends return to the airport.

Contact Paul if you wish to help - pjones@ancho-rhealthcenters.com.



President **Bob** presents a "world famous Naples North Rotary Pen" to Sunset Club Past President, George Leamon famous for giving out pens from his club.



If a man does not make new acquaintances as he advances through life, he will soon find himself alone. A man should keep his friendships in constant repair.

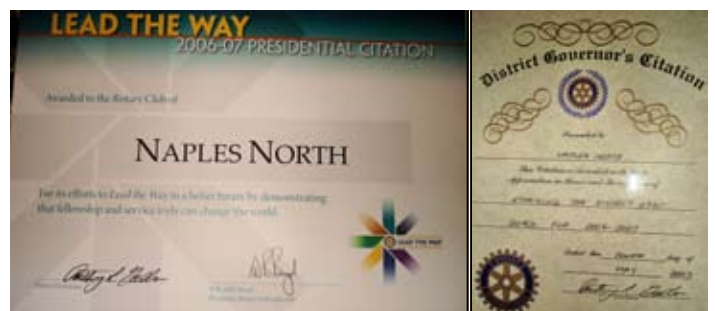
Samuel Johnson (1709 - 1784)



Judi Lewis, Financial Aid Facilitator from Lorenzo Walker Institute of Technology receives a \$20,000 check from **President Bob** as we continue to support education in the Collier County School District.



J. Cross presents generous **Earl Hodges** with a Grim Reaper 'mascot' for Hodges University named after **Earl** following his 12-million dollar gift to International College.



President Bob announced last Thursday the Club has been awarded the **2006-07 Presidential Citation** and the **District Governor's Citation** for attaining the **District 6960 Goals for 2006-2007**.