

## Hall of Fame

Congratulations to the Honourable John Issa, O.J. on being the 1999 inductee into the PSOJ's Private Sector Hall of Fame. He was inducted at a very enjoyable and successful dinner held on the Lawns of King's House on April 18. Guest Speaker William R. Rhodes, Vice Chairman of Citigroup, Citicorp and Citibank, held the attention and the interest of the very large gathering which supported the event. Included in his presentation was an overview of the Jamaican and international economic environments. Heading the Guest List were Their Excellencies The Governor General and the Most Honourable Lady Cooke.

## ENVIRONMENT

Jamaica will be joining fellow member countries of the United Nations in observing June 5 and June 8 as World Environment Day and World Oceans Day respectively. The Natural Resources Conservation Authority (NRCA) will be coordinating a week of activities here (June 4-11) which will focus public attention on environmental issues. The intention is to increase public awareness and to encourage a positive attitude and appropriate behaviour towards the environment.



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

We continue to receive updates on the action items contained in the Public/Private Sector MOU but we have not yet had any follow-up meetings to review the progress that has been made in addressing specific issues.

## ADVERTISING



Jamaica's Permanent Mission to New York has advised that the United Nations Procurement Division (UNDP) will shortly be providing, in its revised Internet Web site, a Web Advertising Facility for Developing Countries and Countries with Economies in Transition. This would permit vendors of countries in the above categories to advertise their products and services. This could prove quite useful - why not explore how this facility can work to your advantage? Additional information is available from the PSOJ Secretariat or Mr. Andrew Toh, Chief, Procurement Division, United Nations (Fax: 212 963 1677 or 212 963 3503).

## TRAINING

The PSOJ Secretariat now has a copy of the training manual from Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA). This document provides information on the international training programmes being offered by SIDA during 2000. Interested persons may contact the Secretariat for information on specific courses.





## CRIME STOP

Did you know that during the five-week period March 14-April 17, Crime Stop:

- received 51 telephone calls (5 more than the preceding month)?
- assisted the Police with 5 arrests based on information from the above calls?
- paid out \$12,500 in rewards?
- has a success ratio of 1 in 4 calls investigated?

## Thank You

The PSOJ would like to sincerely thank First Life Insurance Co. Ltd. for its advertising support for the last six issues of this publication, The PSOJ Review. Your support was greatly appreciated.

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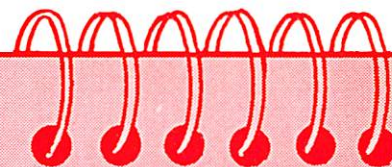
## Morning Roots

The PSOJ now has an additional slice of the airwaves. In addition to our weekly programme "The People's Business" on KLAS FM, we now have a one-hour slot on ROOTS FM.

This is a community-based radio station which has its studio in the Mustard Seed Community (Mahoe Drive). The PSOJ and its member-associations use this slot to discuss their role/functions as well as issues of concern to them, and to field questions from the listeners. PSOJ's Executive Director Charles Ross, JEA's Executive Director Pauline Gray and SBAJ President Cheryl Phillips have already participated in this programme which is aired 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. on the first Tuesday of each month. The programme is moderated by Mr. Garnett White.

## Labour Reform

The Jamaica Employers Federation continues to be the leading private sector voice on the important issue of labour reform. Based on the proposed amendments to the Labour Relations and Industrial Disputes Act, a strong lobby will have to be made to the Ministry of Labour to ensure that safeguards against the right to strike as well as a broader definition of the worker to include the concept of a contract worker are included in the amended Act. This is an issue which affects us all in a significant way and we will continue to share updates and developments with you as soon as they are available.



## What's Ahead!

### TO BE CONFIRMED

Membership Get-Together

Venue: PSOJ Secretariat

Time: 5:00 p.m.

### JUNE 15.

Council Meeting

Venue: PSOJ Secretariat

Time: 4:00 p.m.

### JUNE (3RD WEEK)

Annual Economic Seminar

Venue: To be confirmed

Time: 8:30 a.m.