

TOY DRIVE XMAS 2007

The annual Toy and Book Drive was held on December 7th, at the Jamaica Consulate and generated funds to cover 59 Sangsters Christmas Boxes. Thanks to everyone, and in particular, to the generous donations from Dr. Masi and his patients who donated 23 boxes for our schools in Jamaica.

ADOPT-A-SCHOOL BRUNCH 2008

On March 16, 2008 the Adopt-A-School committee held its annual brunch at the Jamaican Canadian Association. Thelma Carey-Thompson, and Margaret Williams were acknowledged for their contributions to PACE and the Adopt-A-School program. Tech de Bus #2 was unveiled at the brunch before it began its journey to Kingston Jamaica.

TECH DE BUS #2 LAUNCH

On Friday, April 18, 2008 Tech De Bus # 2 was launched in Kingston at the historic Devon House. The setting was lovely with children, teachers, education officers, family, friends and the media gathered to learn more about PACE and the mobile computer lab. The panel of distinguish speakers included the Minister of Education , Honourable Andrew Holness, Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. Denis Kingsley, Microsoft Jamaica Inc., Mr. Joseph Mckinson and Chair, Jamaica Early Childhood Commission, Dr. Maureen Samms-Vaughan. Presentations by Maxfield Park Children's Home and Holy Trinity Basic School kept the audience entertained. The grand finale was the cutting of the ribbon by Mrs. Lorna Golding.

Mrs. Golding was the first to "Tech De Bus"



Hon. Andrew Holness, Minister of Education at the launch

SPONSORS VISIT THEIR BASIC SCHOOLS

The trip to Jamaica to visit the sponsored basic schools took place from April 14 to April 18, 2008. The teams consisted of Lorna King, President PACE Canada, Diana Burke Past President, Dr Ralph Masi, Professor Keith McLeod, Raphaelite Walker, Gifford Walker, Loretta Spencer, Lydia Mason and Ken Bowen.

This year's activity was geared towards the east/central parishes with Kingston as the base. 43 schools were visited by the team. The education officers, the staff and students at each school made us feel that what we are doing is greatly appreciated.

Photo kids outside moravian school

UPCOMING EVENTS

STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

Sunday, June 1th, 2008 1:30 - 5:00 p.m.
Events and Catering On the Park

TOY DRIVE

December 5th, 2008, Jamaican Consulate.

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RECENTLY ADOPTED SCHOOLS

SPONSOR	SCHOOL NAMES	PARISH
Mrs. Anne-Marie Bonner	St Simon Basic, 12 Penn St.	Kingston
Rachel Johnstone-Jones	Port Antonio Infant Basic	Portland
Everton & Anne Marie Thompson	Litchfield (lower) Basic	Trelawny
Robert & Heather Vernon	Mount Olive Basic, Johns Hall	St. James
Loy Manning	Albion Basic, Albion Heights	St. James
Don Levy	Mount Olive Basic	Westmoreland
Robert & Heather Vernon	Whitehouse Basic	St. James
Dr. G. T. Riley	Watt Town Basic	St. Ann
Merlyn Gaynor	Bethany Basic	Manchester
David Griffiths	School to be advised	Kingston
Ossington Baptist Church	Adastr a Gardens Basic	Kingston
Donette Chin-Loy	Mustard Seed Basic	Kingston
Donette Chin-Loy	Carmel Basic	Kingston
Donette Chin-Loy	Greater Portmjore Basic	St. Catherine
Merlyn Gaynor	Watt Town Basic	St. Ann
Dr. David Henry-Family	Breadnut Hill Basic	St. Ann
Janet Collins Group	Mount Hermon Basic	St. Catherine
Cynthia Balaberda	Russes Basic	St. Elizabeth
Edna Reid	Cambridge	St. James
Richard & Sheila Lorado-Marcovitz	Spot Valley	St. James
Dr. Diana Masny	School to be advised	
Melaine Appelt	School to be advised	

*Remembering
Barbara Theobalds Taylor*

**President, Women for P.A.C.E. (Canada)
1993 – 1995**

PACE Canada has lost a loyal longtime friend and supporter with the passing of Barbara Theobalds Taylor, March 6, 2008.

Her quiet efficiency and skill in community outreach were important assets in the process of bringing to the public and the media the PACE (Canada) mission to early childhood education.

Barbara Theobalds Taylor maintained her interest in the organization over the years and we remember her with love and appreciation for her personal courage and the special contribution she made to Women for P.A.C.E. (Canada). She was herself a Woman who

Cared about her Jamaican / Canadian connection and making the world a better place.

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