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PRESIDENT'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE



Season. should truly be a time friends.

As we draw close to the end of 2016, I hope that

hristmas Day 2016 most of your plans and expectations for the year is just around the have come to fruition. We have had an interestcorner and many of ing and productive year as an industry in both you are already in full General and Life insurance as we continued to gear with plans for the fulfil our obligations to clients and endeavoured to Christmas delight them.

of good cheer and one I sincerely wish for you and your families a Christin which we should mas filled with joy, peace and love. May the true reflect on: 'Peace on meaning and spirit of the Yuletide season fill your Earth and Good Will homes with many blessings and may the coming Toward All', as we fel- year be one in which we achieve individual and lowship with family and corporate aspirations. God bless you and your families richly at Christmas and in the New Year.

> **Eric Hosin** IAJ President

Christmas in November

anticipated All Inclusive Extravaganza held at Guardian Life' Sport Club on November 19 was well attended and from all indications patrons thoroughly enjoyed the occasion.

AJ's Christmas in November 2016, the greatly **DJ Bambino** and **ZJ Sparks** kept the crowd alive and happy and everyone seemed to have enjoyed the delectable cuisine. Some pictures below tell just part of the exciting event.



IAJ SPONSORED PROJECT REAPS SUCCESS

at its AGM in April 2016. Mr. Eric Hosin the lice were partners with the IAJ on this Initiative, of the 117 persons killed in road accidents between gramme. Figures released by the Road traffic Unit January and April 14, 2016, 34% of them were mo- as at November 10, show that Motorcycle fatalities tor cyclists, 80% of them from Westmoreland area, are projected to decrease by 19 % in 2016. Motor according to statistics released by the Road Safety cycle fatalities are now 25 % of fatalities compared Unit of the Ministry of Transport. Two workshops with 34 % in April 2016. Motorcycle fatalities in dubbed "Back to Basics" were conducted by Tarik Westmoreland are now 35 % of all fatalities island-Kiddoe, Leader of Kingston based Shango Bikers wide compared to 80 % in April 2016. The success were held in Westmoreland which had become a is due to the hard work of the partners. Sandals major zone for deadly motor cycle crashes in July Whitehouse also gave tremendous support to the and September.

AJ took a decision to sponsor workshops to in the corporate area targeting bearers. The Island train motor cyclists to ride their bikes properly Traffic Authority, the Road Safety Unit, and the Ponewly elected President noted at the time that working along with Mr Kiddoe to carry out the pro-Westmoreland Programme.

In August, the Shango Bikers also did a workshop





IAJ YEAROOK 2015

IAJ Yearbook 2015 which contains numerous interesting articles and Statistics relating to the Industry's 2015 Audited performance is being distributed to the various companies.

The publication over the years, has been of interest to a wide range of persons including, Actuaries, University Students, Businesses and others who continue to have strong interest in the performance of the Jamaican Insurance Industry both Life and General.

IAJ FAREWELL FOR FORMER PRESIDENT HUGH REID

2012 to 2014 at a function held at the Courtleigh ance and many others who gathered to wish him Hotel. Good wishes were extended to the former all the very best in his new endeavors. President who is migrating by Immediate Past

n Thursday, October 6, 2016, IAJ official- President Karen Bhoorasingh, President of ly said farewell to Hugh Reid who served Guardian General current Vice President Life as President of the Association from Vernon James of General Manager of NCB Insur-





Karen Bhoorasingh, President of Guardian General, Orville Johnson, IAJ Executive Director and Hugh Reid former President of IAJ and Scotia Insurance.

Orville Johnson, Hugh Reid, Heather Bowie , Claims Manager of Key Insurance and Vernon James GM of NCB Insurance

HEALTH INSURERS ARE NOT ABUSING THE NO USER FEE POLICY

The following News Release was made to the News Media as a result of inaccurate comments made about Health Insurers



aware of Companies are not involved in deci-

sions by policy holders regarding non-submission of health cards at said facilities. It is the practice of Health Insurance companies to refund policy holders for claims submitted at any facility, private or public, in accordance with the benefits in their Health Insurance policies. Claims are usually sub-

AJ is advising mitted electronically by the use of swipe card or by that they are not the policyholder or the provider submitting the bills any for reimbursement. Health Insurers have put in abuse of no-user place an electronic claim submission system to fee policy in public make the process easier and more efficient for their medical facilities. In policyholders. This facilitates timely claim settlefact, the Insurance ment to the service providers and policy holders.

> Note also that not all Public Health Facilities are registered as participating providers with Insurers which would not allow them to submit claims electronically. However, this does not preclude them from submitting paper claims which are settled on the basis of the benefits applicable to the insured's policy.

HAPPENINGS IN THE INDUSTRY

Sagicor Life



DEATH OF WALTER GRANT

Sagicor Life lost a Giant in the In- Branch of Sagicor. surance Industry, Walter Grant who many of IAJ's social activities and succumbed to Pancreatic Cancer on was heralded by his numerous cli-September 30, 2016. Walter suc- ents as someone who was dedicatceeded in breaking and establishing ed to the provision of excellent serseveral production records and was vice. May his soul rest in peace. Branch Manager of the Liguanea

He attended



DEATH OF IAN ROWLANDS

surance career in 1965 with Dyoll tained in IAJ's Insurance Company and who after book. serving with several other insur- tached. ance entities died recently July 13, insurance and business circles and 2016.

He retired from VMIC in February 2010 and in that same year he was honored by IAJ. An interview was

Ian Rowlands who started his in- conducted with him which is con-2010 Year-The interview is at-He was well-known in usually attended may of IAJ's Social Activities. A comprehensive article on Ian Rowlands is contained in IAJ's 2010 Yearbook.



JAIFA'S NEW PRESIDENT



the recent Annual General Meeting of the Jamaica Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors, Hugh Meredith was elected President of the Association. Hugh Meredith who served as a Financial Advisor with Island Life and then with Sagicor now operates his own Agency.

Picture: From left, Hugh Meredith, Christopher Lawe, Jacqueline McDonald, Patrick Worghs and Monica Robotham

COLLEGE OF INSURANCE **E** & PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

THE CIPS HAS BEEN ACTIVE WITH A VARIETY OF COURSES

INSURANCE INVESTIGAGTOR-MOTOR. College for the first time conducted the Accident College in association with tTech Managed IT Ser-Investigating aspect of the Certificate in Insurance vices and Guardian General Insurance Jamaica Accident Investigating Course. This course was Limited, presented a seminar on October 19, 2016 done in association with Becker, Webster and titled "Cyber Risk Management". The presenters Thomas Consulting.

GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA PROCUREMENT The College conducted its first PROGRAMME. Government of Jamaica Insurance Procurement Programme. The GOJ Procurement programme **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WOKSHOP.** commenced with its first cohort on Monday July 4, Beverley Corke, in association with the College, 2016 with fifteen (15) candidates. This is a special-presented a two-day Professional Development ized programme approved by the GOJ to essential- Workshop on October 5 and 6, 2016. Participants ly train its personnel in procurement of insurance.

The CYBER RISK MANAGEMENT SEMINAR. The were John Gibson, Senior IT Security Officer at tTech and Sheraley Bridgeman, Assistant Vice President, Business Development at Guardian General Insurance Jamaica Limited.

from the insurance industry and the wider business



JMF WINE, FASHION AND ART FUNCTION

he JMF's Charity Event held at the Spanish Court Hotel on Thursday December 1, in support of the Kidney Kids and Lupus Foundations was well attended and patrons enjoyed an evening of exquisite wines from Select

Brands and hors d'oeuvres through the courtesies of Rainforest Seafoods and Best Dressed Chicken. Several sponsors helped to make the evening enjoyable.



JMF COLLABORATION WITH ZION CARE

Zion Care International, the New York based Foundation, led by Jamaican- born pastor Bishop Craig Brown partnered with the Jamaica Medical Foundation, on a medical assistance mission in Mo Bay, July 25 – 28,



EVENTS ON THE HORIZON

IAJ

 Outside Broadcast - Power 106, 240th Anniversary of Kingston Public Hospital—14th December, 2016.

CIPS

 Online registrations for the Easter Term, January—April 2017 will commence the week of December 12, 2016. The term is scheduled to commence the week of January 9, 2017.

JAIFA

Blast Off at Jamaica Conference Centre—January 10, 2017

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