

The BEACON

SCASPA RATED AS A TOP PORT IN THE O.E.C.S



Inspectors and SCASPA Officials

Four Inspectors from the U.S. Coast Guard conducted an International Ship and Port Facility Code (I.S.P.S) inspection at the Sea Port and the Port Zante Cruise Ship Terminal on Wednesday, 26th, October, 2011. Under the command of Mr. John E. Hurst and Lieutenant Commander Neil Marcelino, Mr. Chad Moore and Mr. Daron Panko joined members of SCASPA's Maritime Security (MARSEC) Committee and observed and analyzed the security systems used at SCASPA to assess the Authority's level of compliance with the I.S.P.S. Code requirements.

After a thorough inspection that included the analysis of records of drills and exercises, and observation of patrols by Security officers, the team reported that St. Kitts is conforming to the I.S.P.S. Code requirements and has been rated as one of the top ports in the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States (O.E.C.S.). It was also communicated to SCASPA's MARSEC Committee that the inspection results for this year were an improvement compared to last year.

Security Manager of SCASPA, Mr. Raymond Cotton, stated, "SCASPA, through the Security Department and the MARSEC Committee, will continue to improve its security procedures and strive for full compliance with the I.S.P.S. Code regulations." Mr. Cotton expressed his pride at how far SCASPA has reached in achieving the goal of being fully compliant with the I.S.P.S. Code regulations. He stated, "In addition to implementing the few recommendations presented by the US Coast Guard Inspectors, we will be conducting internal audits to monitor, assess, and analyze our procedures at SCASPA."

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The positive report from the US Coast Guard Inspectors was presented in a debriefing meeting held on Friday, 28th October, 2011 at the Robert L. Bradshaw International Airport. In attendance were Chief Executive Officer of SCASPA, Mr. Terrence Crossman, Director of Maritime Affairs of St. Kitts, Mr. McClean Hobson, Facility’s Manager of SCASPA, Mr. Roosevelt Trotman, Assistant Comptroller of Customs and Excise, Mr. Jevon Gumbs, Security Manager of SCASPA, Mr. Raymond Cotton, Head of Corporate Affairs and Public Relations of SCASPA, Mrs. Delcia Bradley-King and several senior security officers of SCASPA.

The MARSEC Committee was recently established to ensure SCASPA’s compliance to the I.S.P.S Code regulations. The Committee meets regularly and creates procedures and policies to ensure that the Port is a more secure one.

The I.S.P.S. Code Inspection is held once every year by the U.S. Coast Guard.



Security Manager of SCASPA, Mr. Raymond Cotton and an Inspector

TEAM SCASPA PARTICIPATES IN NETBALL LEAGUE GAMES



Ms. Raylene Sabrina Parris

SCASPA fielded a netball team in the 2011 Netball Association Business League. The SCASPA team captained by Flourine Bradshaw of Finance and Statistics played its first match on Monday 10th October against the St. Kitts Bottling Company and won thirty-nine to nineteen. The star shooters for the first night were Akila Isles and Monique Huggins-Thomas from Finance and Statistics and Security Officer, Raylene Sabrina Parris.

Others games were played against TDC, Eastern Caribbean Central Bank, Delisle Walwyne, Clarence Fitzroy Bryant College, Development Bank, Pudding Pot, Government Mix, St. Kitts Bottling Company teams. Team SCASPA defeated the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank, Delisle Walwyn and the St. Kitts Bottling Company teams.

“The games were fair enough. Our team mates need to know each other and once we stick as a team, we intend to keep our team practicing. No team was a challenge for us but our fitness level was a major issue,” said Team Manager, Mrs. Monique Huggins-Thomas.

Team SCASPA included the following members, Mrs. Monique Huggins-Thomas, Ms. Florine Bradshaw, Ms. Akilah Isles, Ms. Raylene Sabrina Parris, Ms. Elsie Harry, Ms. Keisha Huggins, Mr. Stevenson Francis, Mr. Delbert Wilkes, Ms. Mesha Rodriquez, and Ms. Alicia Frances.

Elsie Harry said “It was a good initiative, it gave persons from different business a chance to meet other people. Team SCASPA was an interesting mix of people from the different departments. I’ve formed stronger bonds with some of my co-workers.”

Team SCASPA will remain a team even after the League games.

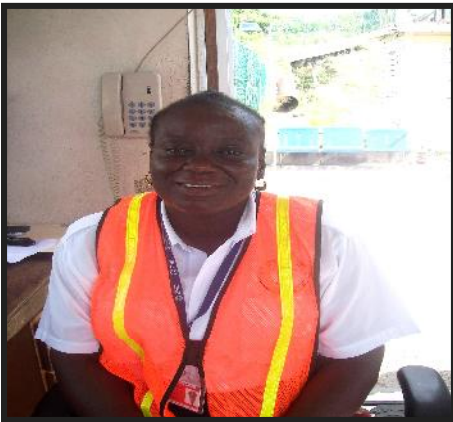
“We plan to continue to move as a team and start a tournament for SCASPA workers and departments. We want our team members to be fit and move as a family.”

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY BASH

In what was considered as the biggest Birthday bash celebration of the year, October's Birthday Bash brought together several SCASPA workers on October, 29th, 2011. The "Birthday Bash Committee" was made up of Accounts Officer, Ms. Sonja Fyfield, Secretary, Ms. Hasina Tota, Supervisor for Finance and Statistics, Ms. Shanda Queeley, Meteorological Officer, Ms. Vincia Browne, Air Traffic Controller, Mr. Don Grant, Customer Service Ambassador, Ms. Wendy Bridgewater, Corporal Jacqueline Belle, and Foreman, Mr. Monsel Harvey.

Several SCASPA workers partook of the goat water, sandwiches, barbeque, bakes, corn on the cob and a variety of drinks, while others played games such as dominoes and drafts and sang in the Karaoke Competition.

The Beacon asked four SCASPA workers, "***Did you enjoy the Birthday Bash? If yes? Why?***" The following are their answers:



Ms. Patricia Thomas

"It was different from any Birthday Bash I have attended before. It was fun and I had a lot to eat. The giveaways and the Karaoke segments were my favorite times of the night. I want to thank the organizers and I hope that they keep up the good work." **Port Constable, Ms. Patricia Thomas.**



Mr. Liambeer Allen

"It was my first time at a Birthday Bash celebration and I had an awesome time. I really enjoyed the reggae music and I saw many persons who I see daily in a more relaxed and fun setting." **Mechanic, Mr. Liambeer Allen.**



Mrs. Olivia Dias - Taylor

"I always enjoy the food at the Birthday Bash and this time I really did enjoy it. More persons attended than usual. Overall it was a good night." **Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Olivia Dias - Taylor**

SCASPA Staff Update

We hired

Security Officers

Vanessa Parris

Vincent Mulraine

Carolyn Boddie

Clerk – Operations Dept - Shed 3

Machesté Veira

English Matters

There are times when you are called to make an impromptu speech or presentation at meetings. The following are six techniques that you can use to make your presentation an interesting one.

1. Tell them technique. It has 3 main components. The first stage involves you telling your audience what you are about to tell them, the second phase has you telling the audience and the third and final stage involves you telling the audience what you have just told them.

2. Acrostic. Using what is essentially a word puzzle, you use a technique for spelling out the theme of a presentation plus its major defining points. Using either the first, middle, last or consecutive letters of a word in a line allows you to spell out a major theme.

4. Stories and anecdotes. Stories have been used throughout history to commend a course of action or explanation. And presenting today is no different.

5. Problem, cause, solution. This technique could be paraphrased as the ‘what’, ‘so what’, ‘now what’ technique. It enables you to map out a problem that is well known to the audience, detail its causes and then expound on a solution.

6. Analogy. With an analogy you use something that is familiar to your audience to either drape over the unfamiliar or support the evidence of the unfamiliar.

FCCA REVIEW

SCASPA was once more represented at the annual Florida-Caribbean Cruise Association (FCCA) Conference and Trade Show which was held in Puerto Rico from October 3-7, 2011. Mr. Terrence Crossman - CEO, Mrs. Delcia Bradley-King - Head of Corporate Affairs and Public Relations, and Mr. Loui Hendrickson—Cruise Operations Manager (Ag.) attended this premier industry event that provides a forum for discussion of cruise related issues and creates an opportunity for one-on-one meetings with key partners in the industry.

Along with representatives of the St. Kitts Tourism Authority and the St. Kitts Scenic Railway, the SCASPA delegation met with cruise executives to discuss deployment issues. Meetings were extremely positive with executives reporting that their guests were very satisfied with St. Kitts as a destination. The meetings with Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines (RCCL) were particularly encouraging as news was shared that St. Kitts could receive five (5) additional visits from *Celebrity Solstice* during the 2011-2012 Season, and that the possibility of adding *Independence of the Seas* for nine (9) calls during 2012-2013 was being explored. All calls have since been confirmed. Discussions were also held about plans to welcome the *Allure of the Seas* on December 30, 2011. RCCL executives disclosed that St. Kitts was being given serious consideration as a possible fourth destination to be added to the itinerary of the *Allure of the Seas*.

Workshops were held during which panellists, mostly cruise executives, made presentations on important topics such as destination marketing strategies and tour operations. These sessions allowed participants to ask questions and share their destination experiences. The exchange of ideas and best practices was quite useful.

The event offered an interesting programme of meetings, workshops and social events. Puerto Rico was highly commended for the hospitable arrangements made and, overall, its excellent execution of the Conference and Trade Show in a modern and spacious facility.

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TUES. NOV. 15TH (EAST ZONE)
TUES. NOV. 22ND (BASSETERRE PRIVATE ZONE)
TUES. NOV. 29TH (WEST ZONE)
THURS. DEC. 01ST (GRAND FINALE)

Attractive prizes to be won!

Schools participating:

Beach Allen Primary School | Tucker-Clarke Primary School | Irishtown Primary School
Dr. William Connor Primary School | Dean-Glasford Primary School
Bronte Welsh Primary School | Tyrell Williams Primary School | Sandy Point Primary School
Newton Ground Primary School | St. Pauls Primary School | Dieppe Bay Primary School
Saddlers Primary School | Edgar T. Morris Primary School | Estridge Primary School
Joshua Obadiah Williams Primary School | Cayon Primary School | Violet Petty Primary School
George Moody Stuart Primary School | Maurice Hillier Memorial Primary School
Seventh-Day Adventist Primary School | Immaculate Conception Catholic School

Sir Cecil Jacobs Auditorium

(EASTERN CARIBBEAN CENTRAL BANK) START: 6PM - ADMISSION: FREE