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Tobago House of Assembly

THA, Port Authority working on...

BETTER SERVICE, COMMUNICATION

higher standard of service on the sea bridge. That's one of the objectives of the recent meeting between Tobago House of Assembly officials and representatives of the Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago.

Deputy Chairman of the Port Authority Michael Patterson said the two organisations also discussed creating a better working relationship. "The Chief Secretary outlined his ideas on how the communication should take place between the Port Authority and THA and identified a fair amount of areas he felt that communication could be improved," Patterson said.

Also discussed were infrastructural needs, and the role of the THA in making decisions that affect Tobago. He also revealed both fast ferries will be in

operation tomorrow (July 1), when the Spirit returns to its route.

Patterson said: "The T&T Spirit came out of service on June 6 for dry-docking and refurbishment works. It is expected to be back in service from the first of July and we are feverishly working towards that time frame."

This means passengers will be able to travel in cleaner, more comfortable conditions.



THA VISIT: Students of Santa Rosa Government Primary School's infant class during their visit with THA Chief Secretary Orville London earlier today (June 30, 2016) at the Office of the Chief Secretary in Calder Hall.

TOBAGO MARKS INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA

Yoga is a physical, mental and spiritual discipline that originated in ancient India. The activity is practiced worldwide and has many intrinsic benefits, including stronger muscles, better balance and weight reduction. THA Chief Secretary Orville London was part of celebrations for the second International Day of Yoga on the island. The International Day of Yoga, celebrated on June 21st, was marked with a week of activities. Mr. London thanked the High Commissioner to India for his efforts to have this tradition recognised by the people of Tobago.

"This is not just about today. I am hoping that throughout the year by time we get to next year, it would not just be the celebration of a day, its going to be the continuation of a process that many Tobagonians are engaged in."

LIBRARY HOSTS STORYTELLING COMPETITION

ne competition can make a big difference, and Tobago Library Services is seeking to do just that with its annual Primary School storytelling competition at the Scarborough Library Facility.

The competition has two major aims: to show appreciation for Tobago's storytelling tradition and improve literacy in Tobago. Division of Education, Youth Affairs and Sport technical adviser Dr. Verleen Bobb-Lewis said storytelling will also enhance literacy on the island.

"(When storytelling) you have to be able to read," Dr. Bobb-Lewis said, "and we're talking about the breakdown of literacy in school and numeracy, so once you have to participate in storytelling, you have to be able to read and interpret your own stories, so we know that literacy will be taken care of."

The title went to Jalon Toppin of John Roberts Memorial. Royanne James of Scarborough SDA Primary was second, while Rehanna Richards, also of John Roberts Memorial was third.

The event was also supported by sponsor Republic Bank.

