



# newsletter

Jamaican Association of Sugar Technologists

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To: All Members of the Jamaica Association of Sugar Technologists

## CONFERENCE UPDATE - 2011

### 75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The Jamaica Association of Sugar Technologists (JAST) celebrates 75 years of sterling contribution to developments in Jamaica's Sugar Industry.

This landmark will be commemorated at the 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference scheduled for Thursday and Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 2011 at the Sunset Jamaica Grande Resort, Ocho Rios, St. Ann.

At the beginning of the week, Sunday October 30, 2011, members and friends of the Association are invited to participate in our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Church Service to be held at the Alley Anglican Church - Clarendon. All are invited.

### CONFERENCE CHARGES

Registration for the Conference commences at 8:00 am on Thursday, November 3 followed by the Opening Session at 10:00 a.m. A registration fee of J\$700 per person (members), J\$1,000 (non-members) and US\$12.00 (non-resident Associate Members) is payable at Registration.

Conference Pass for persons not rooming at the Hotel will be available at Registration at a cost of US\$36.00 per day for lunch

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A Day Pass of US\$60.00 per day for lunch, beverages from the bar and use of all facilities up to 6:00 p.m.

### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The Sunset Jamaica Grande offers special all-inclusive rates:-

US\$130 per night	single occupancy	(all-inclusive)
US\$155 per night	double occupancy	(all-inclusive)
US\$235 per night	triple occupancy	(all-inclusive)

Child Rate - US\$30.00 per child/night (3-12 yrs) sharing with 2 adults.

## Highlights

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 03, 2011

- Opening Session commences at 10:00 a.m.
- An Address to the Conference will be delivered by the Honourable Robert Montague, Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries
- Review of the 2010/2011 Sugar Crop

- An Overview of Challenges facing Jamaica's Sugar Industry
- Boiler and Pollution Control Equipment Options
- The 75<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Association.

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 04, 2011

Registration commences at 8:00 a.m. to be followed by a General Session at 8:30 a.m

- Operation of Louisiana Low Turbulence (LLT) Clarifiers
- Sectional Meetings - Agriculture and Manufacturing will commence at 10:30 a.m. with several Technical Presentations

### AWARDS CEREMONY & BANQUET

The Awards Ceremony and Banquet will be held on Friday, November 04, 2011 commencing at 6:30 p.m. with cocktails.

A Posthumous Award will be presented on behalf of the Late Mr. Beresford Sankar - Cane Farmer/Contractor, Westmoreland.

Best paper in Agriculture - 2010 Conference - Mrs. Elaine Manning for the paper, "Occupational Health and Safety at Three Local Sugar Factories".

Best paper in Manufacturing/Processing - 2010 Conference to Mr. Delroy Foster for the paper, "Initiatives to Deal with the Dextran Challenge at Appleton (2006-2010)".

Best kept Factory 2011 - Appleton Estates Ltd.

Best Performing Core Laboratory 2011 - Worthy Park Core Lab.

Guest Speaker for the Banquet will be the His Excellency Ambassador Zheng Quingdian of the People's Republic of China.

Cost of the Banquet is US\$56.40 per person in residence at the hotel, OR US\$62 per person attending the function only.

Live entertainment will be provided.

### ELECTION of the 2011/2012 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The nomination of members to serve on the 2011/2012 Executive Committee has been completed and ballots for the election of officers have been dispatched. Please return your ballots to the JAST Secretariat by Tuesday, November 01, 2011, you may fax these and take the original with you on the first day of the Conference.

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