

Chartered September 10, 1972 Meets on Wednesdays - 12:15 p.m. At Rotary House, Cnr. Sir Sydney Walling Highway & Nugent Ave. St. John's, Antigua

**R**otary International **P**resident **E**lect, Ian **R**iseley and **P**artner in **S**ervice Juliet make inaugural visit to Antigua. Featured below he addressed the audience at a Welcome Reception hosted by Rotary Club of Antigua and Rotary Club of Antigua Sundown.in their honour and Cocktails Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation. Event Highlights of visit on pages 9-11.



Rotary Club of Antigua—Celebrating 44 Years



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#### ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH-November 2016

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#### **OFFICERS 2016-2017**

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Vice President	Ato Kentish
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Director	Denise Armstrong
Director	Amaya Athill
Director	Eric Joseph
Sergeant-at-Arms	Wilbur Harrigan
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RI President	John Germ
District Governor	Roger Bose
Asst. Governor	Corina Sealy



At the 1917 convention, outgoing RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed to set up an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world." In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International.

In 1929, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. "Daddy" Allen, later grew into Easter Seals.

When Rotary founder Paul Harris died in 1947, contributions began pouring in to Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation.

Since the first donation of \$26.50 in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than \$1 billion.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

This year, 2016-2017, the Rotary Club of Antigua embarked on a fundraiser to raise funds toward the Rotary Foundation in the form of a Cash Raffle.

The Rotary Club of Antigua would like to thank everyone who participated to make the fund-raiser possible and also for helping Rotary to continue its work of doing good in the world.



## **Congratulates Cash Raffle Winners**

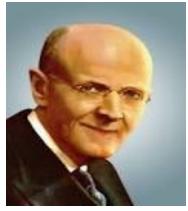
Grand Prize Winner—Nadeem Doumith—\$3,500

2md Prize—PKF—\$1,500

5 Consolation prizes @ \$1,000 eachPhilip HarrisFelix MartinEdward GilkesCleaveland Seaforth

Phadelia Shervington

#### PAUL HARRIS FELLOW RECOGNITION



Paul Harris

The Paul Harris Fellow Recognition was created in 1957 as an award for exemplary work in the community and encourage substantial contributions to the Rotary Foundation. Individuals who have contributed more than US\$1000 to the Annual Program Fund, the Polio Plus Fund or the Humanitarian Grants Program of the Rotary Foundation are recognized as Paul Harris Fellows. Additionally, individual Rotary Clubs may from time to time honor individuals who meet high professional and personal standards set forth by Paul Harris.

The Rotary Club of Antigua takes pride in its contribution to the Rotary Foundation and congratulates the persons whose names appear as having lived by the principle of 'Service Above Self'.

Today, each new Paul Harris Fellows receive a commemorative certificate and a lapel pin. The Certificate states that a person has been named a Paul Harris Fellow in appreciation and tangible and significant assistance given for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among people of the world. Contributions to the Rotary Foundation support a wide range of sustainable activities in the areas of:

- Peace and Conflict Prevention/ Resolution
- Disease Prevention and Treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
  and
- Economic and Community Development



Rotary Club of Antigua Congratulates and Recognizes its members and awardees on the attainment of Paul Harris Fellow.

Arthur Thomas PHF+1 Ato Kentish PHF+2 Bengt Berntsson PHF Cordel Josiah PHF Denise Armstrong PHF+1 Derek Bullet PHF Evangeline Allen PHF+2 Errol F D Samuel PHF Esau Mansoor PHF+1 Everett Christian PHF Lorraine Josiah PHF Paul Keith Bacchus PHF Paul Ryan PHF Philip S B Harris PHF Sherrie-Ann Brazier PHF Sharon Cordner PHF+5 Stanley Francis PHF+1 Wilden Gardner PHF Nathaniel James PHF Kelvin John PHF+1 Salem Khoulv PHF Vanetta Carol-Ann Rodgers PHF Lionel A Walling PHF Hugh Bailey PHF Claude Barriere PHF Patrick Beniamin PHF Sir Lester Bird PHF Algernon Boyd PHF Sir Eustace Francis PHF Kenneth Gomez PHF Keith Graham PHF Cecile Hill PHF Joseph Hunte PHF Ernest Letby PHF Thomas Martin PHF Brian Murdoch PHF **Desmond Nicholson PHF** Jacqui Quinn-Leandro PHF Yvette Samuel PHF Rhonda Sealey-Thomas PHF Mrs. Kelvin John PHF George Ryan PHF Shirlene Nibbs PHF Kenrick Isaac PHF Doin Lake-Kentish PHF Violet Lake PHF



#### Meet Violet Lake—the Ultimate in Volunteerism Rotary Club of Antigua's Latest Recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow for Outstanding Work in the Community.

Violet Bonilyn Augusta Lake hails from Potters Village where she was gifted to Edmund and Millicent Lake some 59 years ago. Being the third- to -last of eight children, Violet was always engaged in "looking out" for two younger sisters.

Perhaps that is why she became a teacher-"to look out for" and take care of the

youth to whom she has dedicated most of her life.

This career of Violet's started in 1976 at the Five Islands Primary School, then to Greenbay Primary, T.N. Kirnon Primary, Antigua Girls' High, Jennings Secondary, Pares Secondary and Sir Mc Chesney George Secondary. She has served as Level Head and Head of Department while working as a general teacher and later as a specialist teacher of Home Economics.

Other involvement included Finance Chairperson for the Parent Teachers' Association at Antigua Girls' High School and the Pares Secondary School, Chairperson for Staff Development at Pares Secondary.

Ms. Lake believed in the holistic development of her students and was always willing to coordinate self development activities such as camps, dinners and in some cases overnight stays at local hotels as well as trips to Barbuda, St Kitts and Jamaica. Most of these activities were financed by funds raised by the students under Ms. Lakes' guidance.

Ms. Lake holds a MSc in Tourism and Hospitality Management from UWI, Cave Hill Campus, a Bachelor of Education Degree in Home Economics specializing in Food & Nutrition, Diploma in Technical Teacher Education – Home Economics: Food & Nutrition (CAST – Jamaica) as well as a Diploma in Teacher Education.

Ms. Lake presently teaches Food &Nutrition in the Department of Teacher Education. She is also an examiner for Caribbean Examinations Council (CXC) in Food & Nutrition.

Miss Lake has been a member of the local Home Economics Association since 1983, during which time she has served as Vice-President. She has held the position of Assistant Secretary,



Second Vice-President and Chairperson of the Education Committee for the Caribbean Association of Home Economists (CAHE).

She is also a member of the International Federation for Home Economics.

When one does outreach service, the best way is to do it through finance. spearheaded Junior Violet the Schools Savings Programme for a number of schools where the students partnered with Community First Credit Union to save regularly and wisely. This initiative is now a thriving achievement especially for students at the William Cody Pre School, Holy Trinity Primary School and Sr.Mc Chesney Secondary School in Barbuda.

Zion Potters Moravian Church is where she worships. In her youthful days, Violet rounded up the young people and started a group called The Potters Moravian Young Uniters, out of which young, upstanding citizens have emerged. You have all heard of Ryencia Henry, Aryann White-Hodge, Yendi Jackson, Earlene Baptist and Gwendolyn Simon-Evanson- all products of Young Uniters. Miss Lake was also a member of the Board of Stewards and a Sunday School teacher in her church.

Violet is a member of the Optimist Club of St. John's, and has been for over two decades. She has served as President of the local chapter and Lieutenant -Governor for the Caribbean District which comprises 10 clubs in Antigua, Montserrat and Dominica. The establishment of Junior Optimist Octagon International (JOOI) clubs in several secondary schools came about under the stewardship of Miss Lake.

A community needs people leaders who can step up to the plate and offer whatever service is needed, where it is needed, for as long as it is needed. Violet is one such person who has given up her time and efforts to the following:

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•Bus Drivers Association as Coordinator of events to honour the commercial bus drivers of Antigua and Barbuda.

 $\cdot$  St. John Hospice- in whatever capacity she is needed on a Saturday

· ICC Cricket World Cup 2007-Assistant Coordinator of Volunteers

· Community First Cooperative Credit Union- Vice President

· Antigua and Barbuda Cooperative Credit Union League Ltd. - President

Violet Lake has reached out and her outreach has led her to organize with individuals and community groups to provide lunch for students who were not performing at their potential because they lacked proper nourishment. Many of these students have gone on to be productive members of society all because of Miss Lake's timely intervention.

Honour, recognition and commendation are extended to Violet Bonilyn Augusta Lake for being a good citizen who has made a phenomenal contribution to her corner of this global village. On November 5, 2016, Rotary Club of Antigua and Rotary Club of Antigua Sundown were privileged to have the Rotary International President Elect, Ian Riseley and his Partner in Service, Juliet visit Antigua. A reception cocktail was held to welcome them and also to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation, held at La Bussola Restaurant.

Below, RIPE Ian Riseley with PHF Awardees...L-R Violet Lake Non-Rotarian Awarded PHF, PP Denise Armstrong-PHF+1, IPP Sharon Cordner PHF+5, President Evangeline Allen-PHF+2





# Clipping from Antigua Observer Newspaper

# Local Rotarians get international recognition for outstanding community service



Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley pinning the Paul Harris Fellows of Rotary Club of Antigua for outstanding community service at the Gala Cocktail in observance of the club's 100th Anniversary on Saturday evening at La Bussola Restaurant. (Photo by Makeida Antonio/OBSERVER media)

#### Rotarians from page 7

By Makeida Antonio

Four members of the Rotary Club of Antigua (RCA) were awarded for their outstanding contributions to the society by Rotary International President Elect, Ian Riseley.

The 2016 awardees pinned as a Paul Harris Fellows are Violet Lake, past presidents Dr Sharon Cordner and Denise Armstrong, and current President Evangeline Allen.

Allen, in an OBSERVER *media* interview, said she was

very excited to be pinned by the President Elect himself.

"Listen, I was so elated. I have been a member of other clubs; I have been a part of Rotary for eight years and it is the first time I have had someone international pinning me. I was just happy to be a part of 100 years doing good in the world," the RCA president said.

She also shared that Riseley's presence on the island was an honourable occasion for the club and was the reason for the cocktail to *Continued on page 8* 

mark the international body's 100th Anniversary being rescheduled.

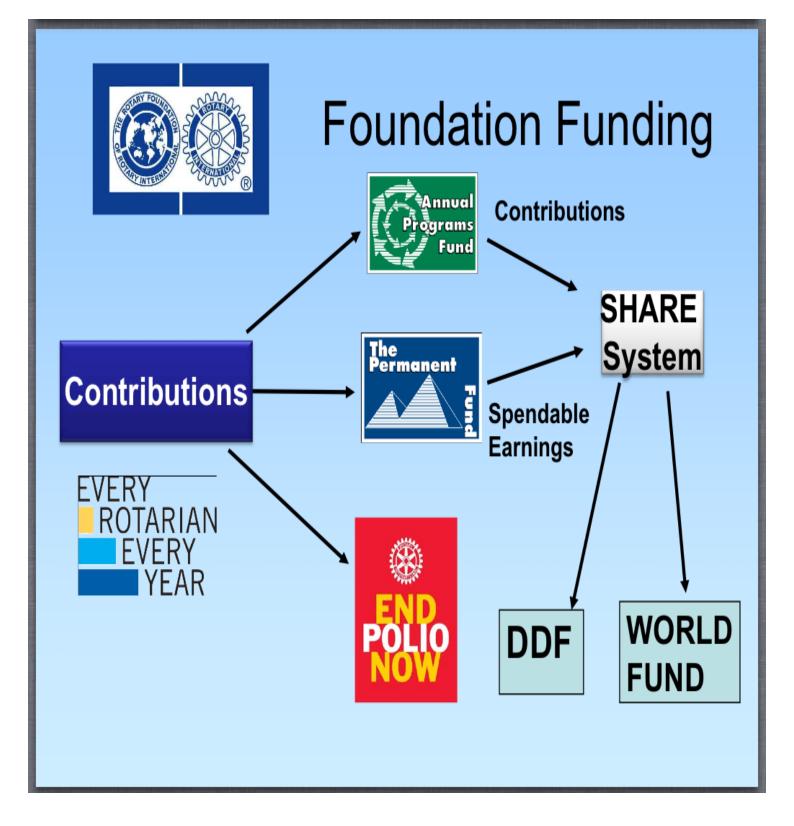
"It is an award for doing good in community service, so because they are celebrating 100 years this year, we had a mandate from the District Governor that every club within the district must have something special to celebrate the 100th anniversary and I thought of a cocktail. It should have been on November 26 but it just so happened that the President Elect graced us with his visit, so we brought up the date."

During Riseley's address to the various clubs under Rotary, such as Rotaract and Interact out of the secondary schools, he noted that one of the biggest projects to date is the ongoing efforts to eradicate polio worldwide.

"The biggest and best humanitarian projects undertaken are by the Rotary Foundation. Of course, polio eradication is the biggest and best and what an amazing success story that is. We are almost close to complete eradication, with just 28 cases so far for the calendar year and when you look back to when we started, it was 1,000 cases per day," he said.

He also encouraged donations to the club to better facilitate their motto "Service Above Self".

"The other reason why we should donate to the Rotary Foundation is the care and stewardship with the money that is donated. I was on the finance committee for the Rotary Foundation for quite some time and the amount of money that is spent on administrative costs is extremely small. We spend the money carefully; we invest it very carefully and it goes a long way."



# **Congratulations** Students of the Month Soctober 2016



Jeremy O'Garro-Grade 1



Nyler Esprit– Grade 2

Aiesha Fogah—Grade 3

# **Green Bay Primary School**



Abigail Hemmings - Grade



Orlijah James-Grade 2



Chey-Anne Darroux-Grade 3

# Golden Grove Primary School



Five Islands Primary School

Highlights of the Cocktail Reception Welcoming Rotary International President Elect Ian Riseley and Partner In Service Juliet And to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Rotary Foundation.













The Cog-November 2016

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#### Highlights of the Projects Visited.



Rotary Club of Antigua Sundown Eyecare Project at Mt. St. John Medical Centre







Ultra Sound Machine donated to MSJMC by Rotary Club of Antigua from Grant from The Rotary Foundation



Computer Ead at Figure 3 Centre d. Computers & Trinter donated by RCA via a Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation



Donation of Sewing Machines and Fabrics resulting in one of six Sewing Centres in Pigotts Village made possible by the Rotary Club of Antigua via a Matching Grant from The Rotary Foundation



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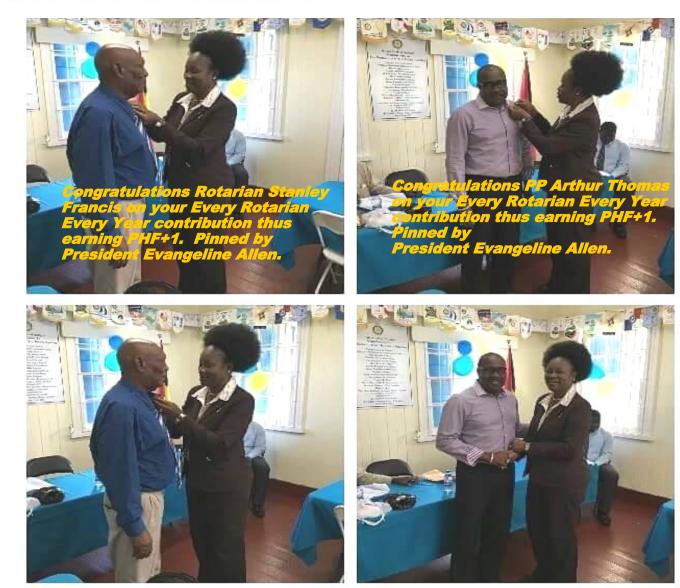
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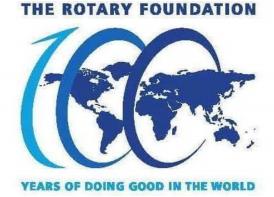




# FOUNDATION FACTS

### WHAT IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION?

- The Rotary Foundation is the charitable arm of Rotary. It is a non-profit that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of The Rotary Foundation who share its vision of a better world.
- Its sole mission is to support the efforts of Rotarians through Rotary's mission, and the achievement of world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian and educational programs in your back yard and around the globe.



# THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AND ITS WORK.

# **Celebration** Time



# PP <u>Club Anniversaries</u> PP Wilbur Harrigan (1st) Rotarian Nathaniel James (7th) PP Gordon Julien (14th) Rtn. Rene Williams (14th)



<u>Birthdays</u> Mrs. Vicki Bullett (10th) Mrs. Nelecia Yeates (11th) Mrs. Turkessa Simon (16th) Mrs.Loretta Josiah (22nd)



ngrats!





PRAYER

Oh God, for the freedom of

thought and peace, the love of

friends and family, and the

opportunity for service

through our Rotary

Fellowship, we give You

thanks. Bless this food for our

use and accept our gratitude

for Your great gifts. Amen.

**Reverend Gordon Patterson** 

Fairmont Rotary

# Service Above Self

The Rotary motto conveys the humanitarian spirit of the organization's more than 1.2 million members. Strong fellowship among Rotarians and meaningful community and international service projects characterize Rotary worldwide.

#### **Rotary Mission**

#### OUR MISSION

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

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The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

2 High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

**3** The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life;

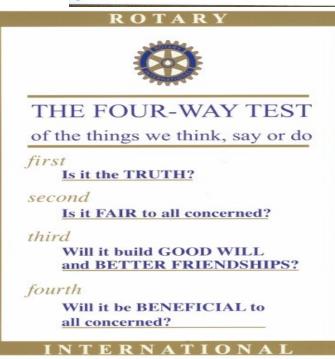
4 The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the ideal of service.

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#### NATIONAL ANTHEM 1st Stanza

Fair Antigua and Barbuda We thy sons and daughters stand, Strong and firm in peace or danger To safe guard our native land, We commit ourselves to building A true nation brave and free. Ever striving, ever seeking Dwell in love and unity. ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



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