

# ROTA NEWS



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Mar 17, 2016

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President

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Club Service Director Paul Ashby

Vocational Service Director Winston Warren

Community Service Director Annie Bertrand

International Service Director Dr. Tracy Archer

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## THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at **Hilton Barbados** 

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# THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962

## MARCH - WATER AND SANITATION MONTH

Today is a Fellowship Meeting. Past President Jerry Ishmael will speak on "What Rotary Means To Me." Past Director Dr. Carol Belgrave will report on her Community Challenge #8 for the month of February. She provided Dental Care to the Children from the three homes. Also there will be an update on the District Conference.

The Greeters are Past Treasurer Anthony Shaw & Chair Donna King-Brathwaite

#### **MEET OUR GREETERS**



Chair Challenged/Senior Citizens, Donna King- Brathwaite joined the Club on December 08, 2005. She has championed the causes of the Environment and the Challenged. She has been Chairperson for the Environment Committee for 2007-08 and 2010-11 and the Challenged/Senior Citizens Committee 2011-12.

She has served as Deputy Director Community Service. Hers is the face at the Senior Citizens and Children's Homes Events. For 2015-16 she chairs the Challenged/Senior Citizens Committee and continues as a member of the Environment Committee. She was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship in 2013.

Past Treasurer Anthony Shaw, (2011-12) joined the Club on

July 10, 2008. He was proposed by Past President Brenda. His Classification is Financial Corporations. He has served as a member of the Fund Raising and Website Maintenance/Information Committees for 2010-11. For 2013-2015 he served on the Drug Awareness and the Assistance/Investigations Committees. For 2015-16 he continues to serve on the Drug Awareness Committee.



He completed The Sixth Rotary Community Challenge (December 2015): urgent repairs

to the roof of a home occupied by two elderly ladies in Silver Sands, Christ Church.

## **MEET OUR SPEAKERS**



Past President Jerome "Jerry" Ishmael joined the Club on July 22, 1999. He was introduced by PP Lionel Moe and PP Vic Fernandes. His Classification is Event Management.

He served as President for 2007-08. For his Presidential Project he upgraded the Sir Clyde Gollop Men's Hostel at Hindsbury Road and completed the Evalina Smith Children's Ward Project at the St. Philip District Hospital which had commenced the previous year.

Jerry's contribution to Club and Community was recognized with a Paul Harris Fellowship Award in June 2003.

**Past Director Dr Carol Belgrave** joined the RCoB on December 04, 2008. Her Classification is Dentistry.

She was proposed by Dr. Ronald Ramsay. Dr Carol is part of a small group of members who experienced the International work of Rotary before becoming a member of a club. She was part of the Outgoing Group Study Exchange for April 2008 which was hosted by D7530, West Virginia

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Dr. Carol has served as the Director of International Service for 2010-2013 and was responsi-

ble for the introduction of the Sea For all Project which was one of the highlights of our 50th Anniversary Celebrations

She has served on the Interact/Rotaract Committee 2009-10. She currently serves on the Safety & CPR Committee

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BUSINESS MEETING WHICH INCLUDED BOARD REPORTS & THE JANUARY COMMUNITY CHALLENGE REPORT - MARCH 10, 2016

Last Thursday was a Business Meeting, where our Board of Directors gave an update on the State of the Club. Past Director Berkley Blades reported on his January Community Challenge.

#### Following is a summary of the presentations

## **Summary of Directors Reports**

#### Community Service - Dir. Annie Bertrand

The Anti-Cyber Bullying project has been receiving very good reviews. The ad has been shown at the cinemas, and a presentation made on CBC was a huge success. It was noted that it has been a source of interest by two University professors who indicated their desire to carry out some research around the project. Other efforts are being made to have it promoted further.

On the **Reintegration Program**, a group of children from the Homes were recently taken for an interview at A1 Supermarket. The Agricultural program is still in process of being developed, with efforts to commence working on 10 – 12 garden beds. Plans for a mentoring program is also in progress and a talk on mentoring will be given to the Club shortly by a Mr. Alvin Arthur to explain what is involved.

## Club Service - Dir. Paul Ashby

**Guest Speakers** arranged to date represented some interesting speakers including H.E. Hon. Robert (Bobby) Morris who spoke on the topic 'Barbados Past, Present and Future'.

Attendance for February was 64% which was below the projected 70%, affected by a low attendance recorded at the Club Forum. It was noted however that attendance at the Club Forum was better than in previous times.

**The Anti-Cyber Bullying** project has generated good PR. Plans are in process for the Club's next **Treasure Hunt.** 

## International Service - Dir. Tracy Archer

A successful MUN was recently concluded. There were about 30 participants in the finals.

## Vocational Service - Dir. Winston Warren

Rotarian Willie Kirton has been designated to speak to the new Rotaract Club, **The Rotaract Club of Barbados** on the topic of 'Ethics'.

## Fund Raising - PE Lisa Cummins

PE Lisa commented that the Club's finances were in good standing and provided continuity of plans.

## Rotaract Week on Cave Hill Campus from March 13th - 19th Report on visit to the Nightingale Children's Home - Saturday March

12<sup>th</sup>

On our third consecutive visit to the Nightingale Children's Home, we spent approximately one hour and forty-five minutes with the children. Due to our arrival before 4 pm, many children were resting when we got there. However, within minutes most of them were outside interacting with us. Our activities included reading, drawing, chalk games, skipping, football, one-on-one games and card games. The age groups of the children present ranged from 2 to 11 (females aged 2 to 5 and males aged 2 to 11).

A total of fourteen Rotaractors inclusive of our Secretary (Shehnezi Frank), Club Service Director (Kerneisha Skeete), International Service Director (Danielle Callender) and Public Relations Office (Ashley Forde), led an evening of fun filled activities which also served to develop various skills in the young ones.

Written by Kerneisha Skeete (Club Service Director)

# MEETING DETAILS - Thursday, March 10, 2016 SAA, Past Director Heather M. Tull

- Attendance 69%
- Raffle \$00.00
- Winner Nil
- Fines \$251.05

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE BUSINESS MEETING WHICH INCLUDED BOARD REPORTS & THE JANUARY COMMUNITY CHALLENGE REPORT - MARCH 10, 2016

## COMMUNITY CHALLENGE - # 7 JANUARY-UNDERTAKEN AT THE ST. MICHAEL DISTRICT HOSPITAL - WARD 3A

The subject institution was first commissioned as a health care institution in 1884. As such, it is the oldest continually used health institution on the Island. It has gone through a number of changes in terms of name and usages of the institution. Originally it was called the 'Alms House', sometimes the 'District Hospital' but more recently, the 'Geriatric Hospital'.

The hospital cares for two hundred and eighty six (286) or so full time patients. Another forty (40) are added during the day as 'day care patients' only.

The Rotary Project at the institution centres on Ward 3A. Rotary had previously been involved with the Ward having painted the walls during the latter part of 2015. The project this time centered on the bathroom facilities which are intended for use by the approximately twenty two (22) patients for their twice daily baths. This bathroom has been out of use for approximately five (5) years. Consequently, the patients had to be accommodated in an adjoining bathroom which already caters for another twenty (20) or so patients. Most of these patients in either ward do not walk freely and need to be assisted to the bathroom.

The photos provided show the condition of the bathroom previous to the Rotary Project. The plumbing was out of use. The wall tiling or covering was broken in several places. There were no tiles on the floor, neither the bathroom or toilet section.

The second set of photos show the refurbished bathroom with all plumbing fixtures and fittings replaced and fully functional. The complete floor area is now covered with attractive non-skid tiles. All wall surfaces are now adequately tiled or otherwise covered.

Both the nursing administration and the patients are now extremely pleased and delightfully use their refurbished facilities.

Appreciation should be expressed to the Rotary President, Mr. Jedder Robinson who was very supportive in having the project completed. Also, other Rotarians who assisted in identifying suitable projects include Past President, Mr. Erskine Thompson and Director Elect & Chair, Diana Douglin. The Management of the Institution should also be complemented on their supporting and appreciative attitude throughout the project which lasted for approximately one (1) month on a part time basis.

The cost has not been fully determined but is expected to fall within or close to the budgetary figure for these projects. In any event, it is expected that the cost per capita justifies any additional spending on the project.

Past Director Berkeley "Bee" Blades

**BEFORE** AFTER







## MUN 2016 ENDS- THE FINAL WEEK

The Model United Nations (MUN) is an annual event organized by The Rotary Clubs in Barbados in collaboration with United Nations Development. This year, the finale was held at Lloyd Erskine Sandiford Centre on Saturday, March 05, 2016

The finale commenced with presentation of flags by the Barbados Cadet Corp. This was a spectacular sight as usual, with the flags of most of the delegations on display.

We again welcomed Senator the Honorable Maxine Mclean, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, who gave the featured address after a presentation by the UN Resident Co-coordinator, Mr Stephen O'Malley.

Twenty-nine delegates, coming from 15 secondary schools in Barbados competed this year. Using the training of the last 5 weeks, each delegate presented their country's position on Migration and Human Rights.

After lunch, the session continued with robust debate of the resolution on Migration using Rules of Procedure similar to those used in the actual United Nations.

The delegates were in for a surprise, when the Chairman announced a crisis in Africa. All rules of procedure were suspended as the United Nations entered an emergency situation.

The delegates had to use knowledge of their appointed country's foreign policies. After much discussion a compromised was brokered and all nations were able to provide a united front to the crisis and resolutions were passed, effecting immediate relief measures to the African nation.

As this was a competition, the judges had the challenging task of choosing a winner based on the students' performance on the day. Eventually two students were chosen, as it was too narrow to call.

Jared Spencer of Harrison College representing Nigeria and Melissa Hunte of Foundation School representing Burkina Faso

These 2 students were outstanding in both the delivery of their country's position and in their robust contribution to the debate on the resolution.

The prize this year, to the delight of the winners, is a trip to United Nations Headquarters in New York City in November to experience Rotary Day at the United Nations.

As we bring down the curtain on another MUN, the organizing committee would like to thank all Rotarians who contributed either their time or presence to make this a success.







Director of International Service Director, Dr. Tracy

## **UP-COMING EVENTS**

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962

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**REGISTRATION**: http://www.7030conference2016.com/ to register for the conference and may contact the Planning Committee via email using: 7030conference2016@gmail.com

Community Challenge #8 - February - Dental Project with Child Care Board - Past Director, Dr. Carol Belgrave

Community Challenge #9 - March - Rotarian Makonem Hurley will deliver Computer Training to the Elderly

## Rotaract Week on Cave Hill Campus from March 13th - 19th

## The Multi-National Fair - April 09, 2016

Our assistance is being sought by the Organising Committee of the Multi National Fair which is scheduled to take place on April 9th at Foursquare Heritage Park St. Philip.

District Conference: 20th-23rd April 2016, Bridgetown, Barbados. May 28 - June I, 2016- Rotary International Convention- Seoul, South Korea

## **Our Greeters**

Mar 24 - Chair Tracey Knight-Lloyd & Dep Dir. Comm. Willie Kirton

Mar 31 - Past Chair Nicholas Waithe & Past Director Berkeley Blades

Apr 07- Past President Norman Barrow & Rotarian Donella Zorzi

Apr 14 - Rotarian Sanjay Amin & Past Director Peter Williams

**Apr 21 - DISTRICT CONFERENCE** 

## Our District Project

**DYSLEXIA** a general term for disorders that involve difficulty in learning to read or interpret words, letters, and other symbols, but that do not affect eneral intelligence.

## Our District Project

World Autism Awareness Day, April 2, 2016 in the World

#### **Our Guests**

## **Rotarians**

Scotty Joseph - Rotary Club of Tortola

Dave Tuzewski - Rotary Club of Adelaide, South Australia

## Rockin' On The Green Save The Date

Mark your calendars! Rockin' on the Green 2016 is scheduled for Monday, May 23rd at Carrollwood Country Club in Tampa. Join the friends of Heartbeat International for a rocking day of activities all to help save the lives of needy patients. Challenge last year's tournament winning foursome, The Watermelon Crew, for the 2016 trophy!

## **ROTARY GRACE**

O Lord and giver of all things good We thank Thee for our daily food May Rotary friends and Rotary ways Help us to serve Thee all our days.

## **Announcements**

#### Wedding Anniversary

Past President Dr. Grenville & Grace Phillips 54 yrs March 24, 1962

#### Birthday - Rotarians

Past President John MacKenzie March 19 Past Director Scott Oran March 22 Past Chair Patrick Hinds March 23

## Birthday - Partners in Service

None this week

## Join Date Anniversary

Past Secretary Clifford Clarke 22 vrs March 24, 1994

## LOOKING BACK WITH THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS

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#### 1986-87

Grenville Phillips - PHF – 25th Anniversary of RCoB – Recognized twenty-five (25) persons who made a difference to the Community. First pacemaker donated to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital



## 1987-88

Rex. E. Wason (dec'd) - PHF - Tree planting at Lodge School. Rekindling of the Interact spirit at St. Michael School. A new Club was formed in September 1987. Major focus on Polio eradication.



#### 1988-89

Leo Leacock (dec'd) - PHF - Assisted in the procurement of the computer equipment for the Club project 1983-84. Contributed to the ongoing work of the Salvation Army.

## **OBJECT OF ROTARY**

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:

FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity

of service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions,

> the recognition and the worthiness of all useful occu pations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupa

tion as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotar

ian's personal, business and community life; and

FOURTH: The advancement of the international understanding,

> goodwill and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the

ideal of service.

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