

# ROTA®NEWS

### **Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados**

Chartered March 07, 1962 District 7030



R.I Theme 2015-16

#### R.I. OFFICERS

**President** K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran

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John F. Germ

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PDG David Edwards



#### DISTRICT OFFICERS

**District Governor**Milton Inniss

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District Treasurer
PP Lionel Moe

Assist. District Confer. Chair PP Elvin Sealy

# 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?

Aug 20, 2015

#### **Club Officers & Directors**

President

Jedder Robinson

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Treasurer Brian Cole

Club Service Director Paul Ashby

Vocational Service Director Winston Warren

Community Service Director Annie Bertrand

International Service Director Dr. Tracy Archer

Youth Service Director Neal Griffith

Immediate Past President William "Alex" Mc Donald

Sergeant–At–Arms Heather Tull

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

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12 p.m.

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

#### **August is Membership & Extension Month**

Today is a Fellowship Meeting where we will have a presentation on "What Rotary Means To Me" by PP Tony Reece. Our Greeters are Past Chair Nicholas Waithe & Past Deputy Chair Dr. Albert Best.



**Past Rotaract Chair Nicholas Waithe** joined the Club on June 25, 2009. His Classification is Refined Oil —Marketing. He was introduced by Past President Lionel A. Moe.

From 2009-2011 he served on the Vocational Service Committee, for 2010-11 on the RYLA

Committee. For 2011-12 he served on the Fellowship, Vocational Service, History & Archives, 50th Anniversary and Rotaract Committees. For 2012-13, Nicholas continued to served on the Vocational Service Committee in addition to Safety & CPR.

For 2013-14 he Chaired the Rotaract Committee and was a member of the Safety & CPR and Vocational Service. For 2014-15 he continued on the Safety & CPR in addition to the Fellowship, Website and PR Committees. For 2015-16 he continues on Safety & CPR in additional to Vocational Service.

# **Deputy Autism Chair, Dr. Albert Best** joined the Club on December 06, 2012 along with

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He was sponsored by Past Community Service Director Shawn Franklin. His Classification is Construction Services – Architecture. He has served on the Children's Homes Committee for 2013-14, for 2014-15 he served on the following Committees: Autism, Fellowship, Vocational Services, Environment and Challenged/Senior Citizens. Cur-



rently he serves on the Environment & Vocational Service Committees.



Past President Anthony "Tony" Reece, PHF 2009, joined the Club on May 07, 1988. He was President for the year 2005-06. In 2001-02 Tony served as Secretary, SAA 1999-2000, VP 2003-04 and from 2008-2014 served as Chair of the Heartbeat International Committee— Pacemaker Bank. The Pacemaker bank has been pivotal in enhancing the lives of many in D7030. For 2014-

15 he continued on the Heartbeat International Committee along with Attendance. For 2015-16 he continues on the Attendance Committee.

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BUSINESS MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2015, WHERE THE BOD UPDATED THE CLUB ON OUR PLANS AND PROGRAMMES

President Jedder, who had been indisposed the previous week, reminded the Club, especially those with less than 10 years membership, of the importance in attending the Club Forum on Saturday, September 05.

A pivotal moment was recognised in the Club as the Raffle Takings were announced. For the long standing members of the Club it was recalled that a SAA was "in Biblical Form" renamed Philip the More as he mercifully extracted fines to the highest order.

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In a similar mould Rotarian Fiona (inducted Jul 16) was, by Treasurer Brian, dubbed the Chief Raffler as she extracted some \$195.00 from an unsuspecting membership. CONGRATULATIONS Chair Fiona!!

Fellowship Chair PP Jerry, reminded the Club of the Boat Cruise on August 30 and the need to sign up!

#### A SUMMARY OF THE REPORTS FROM THE BOD



#### **CLUB SERVICE - DIRECTOR PAUL ASHBY**

The RotaNews Team continued to highlight the pertinent activities of Rotary and the Club activities in particular.

In July there were three (3) Guest Speakers. On July 09, District Governor Milton. On July 16 Retired Justice, Mr. LeRoy Inniss spoke on

On July 23, Dr. Dexter James convinced of the need to financially support the Queen Elizabeth Hospital.

On July 16 Attorney at Law Fiona Hinds and Dr.

Beverly Agard were inducted.

The first Community Challenge Project was completed by Chair Diana Douglin

Attendance for July was 49% well below the projected 70% for the year.

The Joint Induction Ceremony from June was highlighted in the media.

The following Classifications are to be filled: - Commercial Banking, Media, Police, Fire Service, Defence Force, Education, Nursing, Engineering, Postal Service and Permanent Secretary



# VOCATIONAL SERVICE - DIRECTOR WINSTON WARREN

Pride of Workmanship Award, October 15.

Vocations to be highlighted:- Agriculture, Culture and Community Service.

The chosen persons would have made a significant contribution to our society and willingly give of their expertise to our youth

Permission will be sought to film the winners in their normal sphere of activity.

ROTARY DAY — JANUARY 2016 with the three clubs participating. Rotaract and Interact clubs will also be in attendance.

Activity: Paint the walls of the Ward 7A, Geriatric Hospital, Bay Street, followed by a Fellowship Event.

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### MEETING DETAILS - Thursday August 13, 2015

SAA - PD Heather M. Tull

- Attendance 61%
- Raffle \$196.00
- Winner CHAIR DONNA M. PIERRE
- Fines \$255.00

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BUSINESS MEETING OF AUGUST 13, 2015, WHERE THE BOD UPDATED THE CLUB ON OUR PLANS AND PROGRAMMES, CONT'D.

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE - DEP DIR COMMANDER WILLIE KIRTON**



#### **First Aid Training**

The first phase of first aid training is completed and 40 attendants at the Children homes have successfully completed the training. Phase 2 of the training will be conducted on 19th and 26th August and 40 attendants are scheduled to attend the training. The programme is being coordinated in partnership with the Barbados Heart and Stroke Foundation.

# RCOB Children Homes Programme for Community Reintegration

The Rotary Club has been supporting the Children Homes for many years. Some Rotarians have also been visiting the children at Sterling on an ad-hoc basis. Given the interest of a core group of Rotarians to make a more substantial difference in the life of the adolescents at Sterling and Farrs, a committee was established to plan the best approach going forward.

#### **Objectives**

- Develop each child's aspiration for an appropriate career path or potential work options
- 2. Prepare each child to achieve his/her long term goals with short term achievable objectives and targets, these may include: Improving academic test scores, finding relevant internships or part-time jobs, or acquiring specific skills, etc
- Inspire the children to become good, happy and productive citizens. This maybe achieved by exposing them to role models and professionals from a wide varieties of fields/ disciplines; or by identifying the most appropriate support needed by each child

The programme will commence shortly and progress reports will be presented to the Club.

#### YOUTH SERVICE REPORT - NEAL GRIFFITH AS PRESENTED TO THE BOD

#### **ROTARACT CLUB OF UWI:**

It is well known that his club has a large percentage of members from around the Caribbean. We typically see most activities taking place from late September to mid-November and again from late January to late mid-April each Rotary year when students are on campus and not preparing for exams or completing projects.

Following are the activities and events have been planned this year:- **September -** The annual beach clean day which is done jointly with the RCOB members as well as the St. Michael School and the Codrington School Interact clubs.

**October -** Make a public donation to Marina House. This is the new centre being built in New Castle, St John will be much like Verdun house but will cater only to women. Marina House will help those women who have an addiction to drugs and other substances. The Rotaract Club of UWI will be one of the first entities to donate to this institution. The media will be invited to the presentation.

**Week of November 9th -** The Club's annual Week of Activities. During the week of actives we will have the following incorporated: Church Service, Visit to nursing home, CEO forum, Educate the UWI population about dyslexia.

That week will end with an educational and all-day fellowship event on Saturday November 14th - a bus tour using the old yellow "Banks Beer" bus to shuttle Rotaractors and RCOB Rotarians to a number of points of interest which include various Rotary projects undertaking over the years. That event to end at a park or at a Rotarian's home for fellowship.

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## YOUTH SERVICE REPORT - NEAL GRIFFITH AS PRESENTED TO THE BOD, CONT'D

#### February or March 2016

The club will produce and promote a Play in partnership with the Lighthouse Foundation. This will be a major production utilizing the skills and creative talents of the Rotaract club. The goal is to make this a major fund raiser and to be supported by all Rotary Clubs in Barbados.

#### INTERACT CLUBS:

These clubs usually determine their projects early in the new school year. I hope to be in a position to update the board on these clubs' plans in my September or October report.

#### OTHER PLANS FOR CURRENT ROTARY YEAR:

Some effort will be made to form a new Rotaract Club with young professionals. This could help fill a void that exists for the few Barbados based UWI Rotaractors who would like to continue serving after leaving UWI but are without a club to join, which is sponsored by the RCOB.

A meeting was held with Kemar Gilkes, the past president of the UWI club and he is open to working on this initiative. He will lead the effort to find fifteen young professionals to become the founding members. More updates to follow should this project move ahead.

#### **ANNUAL BOAT CRUISE—AUGUST 30**

The time for the picnic is 11.00am until 4.00pm and we sail from the areas where each boat is docked. Please confirm your attendance as a matter of urgency by 12.00 noon on Tuesday, August 18 to PP Jerry via email to <a href="mailto:jerry@premierevents.com.bb">jerry@premierevents.com.bb</a>. The Captains of each boat will contact each person regarding the menu. **Chair PP Jerry** 

#### THE ELEPHANT IN ROTARY'S LIVING ROOM - RI- AUG 13

By Terry R. Weaver, governor of District 7750 (South Carolina, USA)

In my travels as a newly fielded district governor, I've run into a misperception that several clubs have told me is getting in the way of membership growth. The elephant in the living room? **ATTENDANCE**.

Let's step back. Several years ago, Rotary's Council on Legislation declared that almost ANY legitimate Rotary activity qualifies as a make-up. This includes not only attending another club's meeting, but also a committee meeting or board meeting, working on a project (some clubs say for at least one or two hours), etc. "Etc." means anything that can reasonably be called a Rotary service activity. Now, of course to get "credit" for a make-up, the member has to report that qualifying activity to the club secretary. Most clubs use a sign-in sheet at a committee meeting or project and then forward the whole list to the secretary.

#### Measuring engagement

Why did the Council do that? Because the point of tracking attendance is not to make people come to meetings. When measured this way, it's a measure of engagement — a key performance indicator of how your Rotary club is doing at involving members in Rotary activities. Believe me, we have the data to prove that when a member isn't engaged and involved in the club, it's a short trip to a resignation letter. Look at your members' attendance percentages. Those at the bottom of the list are thinking about resigning. What can you do to get them engaged, involved, and — hopefully — passionate about something the club is doing?

More importantly, tracking engagement (attendance is a surrogate) is an important way of ensuring that members get the return on their Rotary investment that they deserve. Members who don't show up for club activities aren't getting the benefit of Rotary, and if we can identify those folks early, we can intervene and get them involved in something they're interested in.

#### Participation versus attendance

So, let's not only treat attendance as a key performance indicator for engagement but let's explain it the same way to prospects. Rather than, "You have to attend four meetings a month," say, "We expect you to participate in some Rotary activity four times a month — you pick the activity that works for you, and you pick the time." I think that's a whole different message, and actually what we're attempting to promote and measure.

It's not about making people come to meetings. It's about offering them a platform where they, in their own ways and based on their own preferences, can **Be a Gift to the World.** 

Compliments SAA ,HMT

#### **UP-COMING EVENTS**

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962

**August - Membership & Extension Month** 

Aug 27 - Guest Speaker - Rev Fequel La Plante - His topic is Volunteerism

Aug 30 - SUNDAY - Annual Boat Cruise

Sep 03 - No Meeting—Club Forum - September 05

Club Forum- September 05 0.

Sep 10 - Fellowship Meeting

RYLA - November 5-7 - GRENADA

#### **GREETERS**

Aug 27 - PD Vocational Service Kim & Rotarian Sanjay

Sep 10 - PP & Chair Erskine & PP & Chair Michael

Sep 17 - PC Marie & PP Andrew

Sep 24 - Rotarian Susan & PP John Cabral

Oct o1 - PP & Chair Roger & PS & Chair Clifford

#### District Project -



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

#### **OUR GUESTS**

#### **VISITORS**

Fanie DeVilliers - Past Director Freddie Hart Paige Warren - Vocational Service Director Winston Warren

Kirk Browne - Vocational Service Director Winston Warren

Denise Collymore - IMM Past Vocational Service Director Kim Tudor

#### **ROTARIAN**

Past President Paul Saunders - Rotary Club of St. Augustine -West, Trinidad & Tobago

#### **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**

Treasurer Brian & Elizabeth Cole	38 yrs	Aug 20, 1977
Past Director Peter & Jennifer Williams	33 yrs	Aug 21, 1982
Past Director Warren & Shawn Mottley	17 yrs	Aug 22, 1998
Past Chair Donella Zorzi & Ale de Rienzo	06 yrs	Aug 22, 2009
Rtn. Kristof Abbeloos & Madoka Yamaue	12 yrs	Aug 23, 2003
PP Algie & Sheila Leacock	31 yrs	Aug 25, 1984

#### Birthday - Rotarians

Past Deputy Director Dr. Albert Best Aug 27

#### Birthday - Partners in Service

Emelda Browne - PP & Chair Michael Aug 27 Donna Edwards - PDG David Aug 27

### Join Date Anniversary

None this week



### INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Welcome to ROTARY AROUND THE WORLD Corner. The aim is to keep you abreast of our upcoming District Conference and Rotary International Convention.



District Conference: 20<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016, Bridgetown, Barbados. Rotary International Convention: 28<sup>th</sup> May -1<sup>st</sup> June 2016, Seoul Korea. Look out for additional information monthly!!!!

#### **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 occupations, 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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