



Perspectives

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Welcome 2016!

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Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Happy New Year to you all!! I trust that you had a wonderful Christmas season and I wish you health & happiness for 2016!!

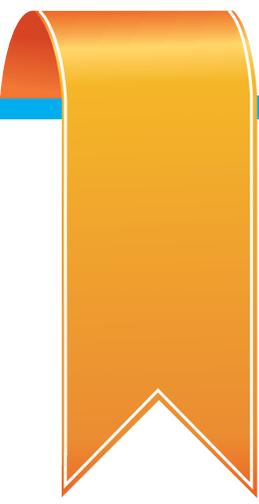
In the first six months, I travelled the District, visiting all of the Clubs. I conducted the board meetings, discussed plans, visited projects and shared wonderful fellowship. It was a pleasure to meet so many Rotarians, Partners In Service, Rotaractors and Interactors. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your kind hospitality during my visits. I look forward to hearing about many successfully completed projects in the coming months.

In the first 6 months, we have seen a 1.5% increase in membership and the addition of 5 Interact Clubs and 1 Rotaract Club. The Foundation Committee has approved 6 district grants and contributions to the Rotary Foundation are just over US\$67,000. I hope that we will see greater positive growth in the second half of the year and I encourage you to continue your contributions to the Foundation.

During the next few months, our main focus will be on our District Conference. It promises to be an event filled with Rotary information, fellowship and fun. Information is available on the District website, Facebook and Twitter sites. I encourage you all to register online and look forward to welcoming you all to Barbados.

Yours in Rotary,

Milton



Vocational Service Month....

"The only unique feature of Rotary is vocational service; everything else that we do is repeated by some other organization. If we have a special message or mission in the world that is unique to ourselves, it lies only in the realm of vocational service." - T.A. Warren, Past RI President- 1945-46

Rotary International has designated January as the month to showcase our second avenue of service, Vocational Service. It is possibly the least understood of our avenues of service.

What is vocational service?

If you are an active, engaged Rotarian, you probably view vocational service as a way of life, even if you find it difficult to articulate a clear definition.

The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the Second Object, which calls on Rotarians to "encourage and foster":

- High ethical standards in business and professions
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
- The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society

As a Rotarian, how can you put these ideals into action? Consider these suggestions:

- Talk about your vocation in your club, and take time to learn about fellow members' vocations.
- Use your professional skills to serve a community.
- Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your own words and actions.
- Help a young person achieve his or her career aspirations.
- Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

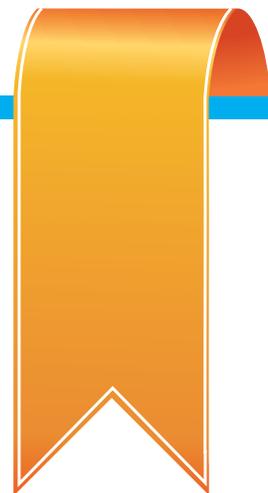
If you do any of these things, you are performing vocational service. And if vocational service motivates and energizes you, then you're in the right place, because vocational service is the very essence of Rotary.

During January, Rotary clubs are encouraged to focus on this important avenue of Rotary service. Consider dedicating at least one meeting to discussing Vocational Service and plan a project or other activity to carry out through the year. Following are some suggested activities for clubs to consider:

- Devote the first meeting in October to examining Vocational Service, including The Four Way Test and the Rotary Code of Conduct. After expanding members' awareness, solicit their input in planning projects for the remainder of the year.
- Introduce a "classification talk" series in which each member gives a five-minute talk on his or her vocation. These presentations give members the chance to learn the inner workings of jobs other than their own, including the various problems that arise and the solutions used to address them.
- Present a vocational award to someone in the community who has exemplified outstanding professional achievement and high ethical standards. Promote the presentation in the community, and consider making it an annual event each January.
- Help young people prepare for their careers by sponsoring a character building project career day, job shadowing day, or mentorship programme.
- Support professional development in the community by sponsoring a professional networking event or workshop, or start a career counseling programme to help unemployed or underemployed adults compete in the job market.
- Have club members volunteer their vocational skills on a community or international service project.

Let's celebrate Vocational Service Month by promoting the ethical basis of Rotary and by gaining a better understanding of the diverse vocational talents of our fellow members.

A House of Friendship Invitation ...



Are you a Rotary Club with an exciting project? Do you want to showcase your Interact Club or Rotaract Club? Do you have something to tell Rotary District 7030? The District Conference being held in Barbados April 20 – 23, 2016 is your opportunity...

The 2016 District 7030 Conference Secretariat is pleased to invite clubs to register for the House of Friendship.

The 2016 District 7030 House of Friendship will be located at the Conference Venue and provides a space that displays and highlights the projects and activities of Clubs in the

District to Rotarians and visitors alike.

It is a great opportunity to showcase the achievements of your Club to all our Rotary family and demonstrate all the great work happening in District 7030.

Limited space is available, so please send your Club's interest in participating to the Conference Secretariat via email to: 7030conference2016@gmail.com before March 15, 2016, and include a brief description of what projects and activities your club would like to display.



ST. VINCENT

Highlighted Projects

Coordinating pediatric doctors on island to treat children with various issues – St. Vincent South

Working with a donor from Canada to help needy children with lunches and books – St. Vincent South

Annual Fishermans' Day – Bequia

Inter School Athletic Championships – Bequia

Distribution of wheelchairs to needy individuals – St. Vincent

Medical service to rural community in conjunction with medical school – St. Vincent



Road to Fancy... wonderful water project providing water to a village in the far north of the island.

Arriving in St. Vincent on a cool pleasant evening, I was met by AG Brian and President Shafia. The tour started the next morning with a visit to His Excellency Sir Frederick Ballantyne, Governor General of St. Vincent & The Grenadines, a former Rotarian.

A drive to the village of Fancy in the north, where RC St. Vincent provided water to this rural community and the School for Children with Special Needs in Kingstown, which provides a wide ranging programme catering to many special needs concluded our project visits. On my visit to RC St. Vincent South that evening I had the privilege of installing a new Rotarian, Simon Carey.

Next day, we were off to the beautiful island of Bequia, with a wonderful tour of the island and a visit to the boat museum. I spent my last day with RC St. Vincent, had an interview on national TV and a relaxing meeting with the Rotaractors, before returning to Barbados.



School for Children with Special Needs which provides a wide ranging program catering to many special needs.



Meeting with President Shafia, RC St. Vincent



Boat Museum Bequia.



Installation of Rotarian Simon Carey to St. Vincent South



Meeting with Rotaractors

TRINIDAD SOUTH



Board of San Fernando

Over the following days, I met with all of the club boards to discuss their plans for the year. In between meetings, the visit was punctuated with a courtesy call to the Mayor of San Fernando, a visit to Servol, a lively meeting with the Interactors (thank you for coming out during your vacation) and a gala evening with all of the clubs. The visit ended with a surprise visit to Queen Park for CPL cricket!! This would be my first tour of Trinidad.



Board of Penal

On arrival to Trinidad, I was met by AG Michael and driven to San Fernando. That evening the Clubs got together for an "ice breaker" reception on San Fernando Hill. It was a night filled with laughter, music, food, drink, fun & fellowship!!! It was a great to see old friends again and make new ones.



Board of Pointe-à-Pierre



Board of Point Fortin



San Fernando South

Highlighted Projects

Ride for Health – Pointe-à-Pierre

Diabetes Awareness in schools – Pointe-à-Pierre

Chess programme in schools – Point Fortin

Career guidance – Point Fortin

Mentoring kids with behavioural problems – San Fernando South

Maintaining San Fernando Interchange – San Fernando South

Dental care/vision screening – Princes Town

Schools beautification – Princes Town

Eye care specialist to Trinidad (VOSH) – Penal

Literacy programme (screening, remedial reading) – Penal

Homework Centre – San Fernando

Development Training Program/Skills Training (Servol) – San Fernando



Dental care



Career guidance



WELCOME TO ROTARY

We are neighbors, community leaders, and global citizens uniting for the common good. With you, we can accomplish even more.



Homework Centre

ST. KITTS

On arrival in St. Kitts, I was met by AG Trevor, President Bobby & President Tuffida and PP Pat. The tour started with a board meeting with RC St. Kitts followed by a meeting with the Interactors and Rotaractors. That evening, there was a lime at Leeward Cove with Rotarians and Partners in Service from both clubs.



Rotary Club St. Kitts

Following a breakfast meeting with RC Liamuiga, we paid a courtesy visit to His Excellency Sir Tapley Seaton, Governor General of St. Kitts & Nevis. We visited various projects in the afternoon and

ended the day with a joint dinner meeting. The last morning saw me delivering a wheelchair to a gentleman along with President Bobby and PP Stacey, before my departure to Barbados.

Rotary Club St. Kitts





Mount Liamuiga: The View from the Top: Mt. Liamuiga Crater

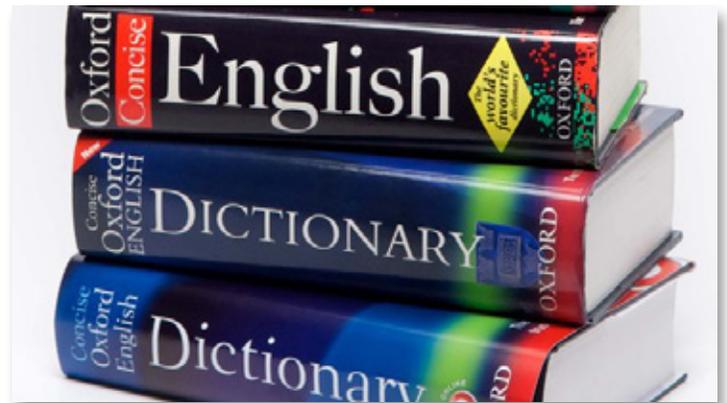
Highlighted Projects

Training teachers in early detection of autism – St. Kitts

Distribution of dictionaries to 3rd grade children – St. Kitts

Foot care project for all foot conditions providing shoes, socks and foot care products – Liamuiga

Vocation pro bono day where public come for free advice on any matter – Liamuiga



Distribution of dictionaries



Monetary support for Training teachers in early detection of autism



We want to hear from you

As an international organisation part of Rotary's success comes from the ability of Clubs to join together to strengthen efforts and share ideas.

We are anxious to share what clubs are doing in our District. Send us articles on your club projects.