

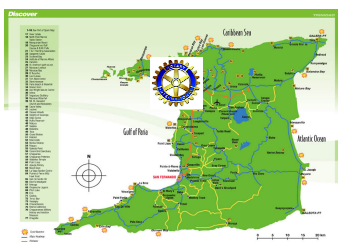


# Assistant Governor's Newsletter - North Clubs, T'dad

## North Clubs

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## Inspire Your Members



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“The world needs Rotary more than ever. It needs our courage, our optimism, and our idealism. It needs the voice of tolerance, cooperation, and hope that we can offer.”

Every new year comes new ideas and exciting projects and our clubs have continued to Serve Humanity with success over the past seven (7) months. Many of our clubs have very noteworthy projects and activities which can provide inspiring ideas for projects in other clubs. Be the catalyst of inspiration, send me your photos together with a write-up of your projects so they can be shared with the other clubs. Use Rotary's Showcase to highlight your good work around the world and also email project summaries to District Secretary Ann-Marie Rogers who in turn will place in the District's 7030 Monthly Newsletter.

Working together on projects is the beginning of any successful venture. Check your Goals at the start of your year and plan your strategy for early completion. You have 4 months to go!



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### Special points of interest:

- \* District 7030 Expands
- \* 25th District Conference
- \* 108th International Convention



Naeem getting pinned by District Governor Nominee Designate (DGND) Trevor Blake

### New Appointment!

TREVOR BLAKE of the Rotary Club of St. Kitts was chosen as the District 7030 Governor for 2019-2020 on Dec. 29, 2016.. Congratulations! PP Trevor served as President in 2004-2005. HISTORY of home club; St. Kitts was chartered on Nov. 7 1969 with 20 members.. The 1st Rotary conference in the Caribbean was held in St. Kitts in 1973. 350 Rotarians were in attendance. A unanimous decision was taken to request R.I. to establish a district of the non-districted clubs in the Caribbean, and eventually this led to the formation of District 404 in 1974 by R.I.

## In Memoriam

Rotary Club of Port of Spain will sadly miss club member PP Gerry Niles. He passed away on Tuesday 29th October 2016. Gerry, whose club classification was "Petrochemicals—Oil Well Consultancy" was inducted on June 1, 1999, on sponsorship from the late Peter Knaggs. He was involved in organizing the Club's annual Charithon for many years and has been a Community Service Director and a Director at Large for many terms. Gerry was also involved with the Interact Club made up of students of St. Joseph's Convent and CIC. He was mar-

ried to Jackie for 53 years and they have three daughters and five grandchildren.



Photo L to R: PP Gerry Niles, Rotarians Tony Cherrie and Gordon Deane.



PP Jonas Seepersadsingh of the Rotary Club of San Fernando sadly passed away on November 26, 2016.

Our condolences go out to PP Jonas' Family.

In photo at left—ROTARY TALKS: Rotarian Jonas seen standing, engages Opposition Leader, Dr. Keith Rowley, seated at left, in talks while St. Augustine West Rotarian Club President Adrian Saunders listens, during a dinner hosted by the Club at the Roof Top Lounge of the Eric Williams Medical Sciences Complex in Mt. Hope. Author: Roger Jacob.

## ABC Clubs Joined Our District

The four (4) Rotary Clubs in Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao were officially transferred, under the approval of the Rotary International Board of Directors, from Zone 21, District 4370 to Zone 34, District 7030 effective January 1, 2017.

We wholeheartedly welcome their members into our Rotary family!

The Club Presidents are as follows:

Rotary Club of Curacao-Leo Rigaud (lrigaud@sftbank.com)

Rotary Club of Willemstad - Saskia Korving (saskiakorvingblom@gmail.com)

Rotary Club of Aruba - Stanley Looman (Stanley.looman@amtrauba.com)

Rotary Club of Bonaire –Jan Okhuijsen (jan@okhuijsen.com)



## 25th District 7030 Joint Rotary & Rotaract Conference



**CONFERENCE CHAIR** Varsha Sieurajsingh, Immediate Past President of Rotary Club of Penal has been instrumental in the coordination and planning of this momentous event scheduled to take place at the Hyatt Regency Trinidad on April 26th—29th 2017.

Over the past six months numerous meetings have taken place including Executive, Planning and Sub-Committee meetings. There are Nineteen (19) sub committees. Voluntary support is required so please free to contact any of the following executive members to enlist your commitment.

**Conference Chair Varsha Sieurajsingh** —620-1409 (varshasieurajsingh@gmail.com) ; **Conference Secretary—Gerald Popplewell** 678-7970 (secretariat@districtconference7030.com) ; **Conference Treasurer—Rabindra Outar** 681-7900 (rho4tax@gmail.com)

The committees (and respective Chairpersons) are as follows: Advertising, (IPP Varsha) Audio Visual (PP Vishnu), Banquet Ceremony (AG Michael), Community Service Projects (IPDRR Giselle), Conference Programme (DG Roger), Cultural Night (PP Vishnu), Fellowship Night (IPDRR Giselle), Hospitality Suite (PP Clint), House of Friendship (IPDRR Giselle), Information Technology (Roger K.), Logistics, (PDG Stephen) Magazine (Maria), Marketing (Maria), Media Relations (Sean), Opening Ceremony PP Lawrence), Partner In Service Activities (PP Vernessa), Sponsorship (PP Curtis), Secretariat (PP Gerald), and Finance (AG Rabindra).

## Haven't Registered Yet? Act Now!



Fees till 28 Feb 2017— USD 400 or TTD 2,800

**Fees increased from 1 March 2017**

Rotarians USD 450 or TTD 3,100

Rotarian & Spouse USD 700 or TTD 4,800

### The PROCEDURE to be adopted for payments is as follows:

1. You **CREATE AN ACCOUNT** on the website <http://districtconference7030.com>, and take note of your registration number.
2. Pay using the credit card information as requested OR
3. You make the Cheque (TTD amount) payable to "Rotary International District 7030". Deposit to RBL TTD Account No. 080 800 369 101. (email deposit slip to Gerald or Rabindra OR
4. Wire transfer the payment with the following details: (email payment document to Gerald or Rabindra)

**Beneficiary Account** : Account No. 080 800 359 401, Rotary International District 7030, c/o CARIBEL, 7A Hobson Street, San Fernando, Trinidad & Tobago

**Beneficiary Bank** : REPUBLIC BANK LIMITED, San Fernando, Trinidad & Tobago, SWIFT CODE: RBNKTPPX

**Correspondent Bank** : Bank of America, New York, ABA NO: 026 009 593

## Registration Issues - Contact IT Roger Kirton at (868) 779-4524

(rjkirton@kirtontt.com) OR (results@interactivedatalabs.com) OR Shawn Mohammed at (868) 361-5829 (smohammed@kirtontt.com) OR Gerald or Rabindra (contact info. stated above).





## 25th District Conference Cont'd— Conference Programme

The Schedule is still being finalized but the following outline will remain the same:

### **WEDNESDAY 26th April 2017**

- Morning and afternoon—PETs
- Evening—Social Event

### **THURSDAY 27th April 2017**

- Morning and afternoon PETs & District Assembly
- Evening—Opening Ceremony for DC (at NAPA)

### **FRIDAY 28th April 2017**

- Morning and afternoon—District Conference
- Evening—Social Event (Anchorage Beach Club)

### **SATURDAY 29th April 2017**

- Morning —District Conference
- Evening—Closing Banquet

### **SUNDAY 30th April 2017**

- Rotaract Community Service Programme

Optional tours are also available during the 4-day period especially for partners-in-service and guests who may not be attending the PETs conference or working sessions.

## Should I Attend the Conference?

It's mandatory for Presidents and Secretaries Elect to attend to receive their formal training prior to assuming office on July 1, 2017. Reasons to encourage your fellow Club members to register as soon as possible may include:

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| * Meet New Acquaintances—exchange business cards | * Be An Active Participant Asking Questions and Making Comments |
| * Learn about Worldwide Projects                 | * Learn About Current Changes in How Rotary Operates            |
| * Collect Free Brochures for your Home Club      | * Hear Excellent Guest Speakers                                 |
| * Purchase Exciting Rotary Pins, Caps etc.       | * Be Entertained  |
| * Enjoy Fellowship and Exchange Ideas            |   |

## Conference Venue—Hyatt Regency





## 25th District Conference —Tours > Check the Website



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## Ideas for Club Projects— Peace and Conflict



Peace and Conflict Project. Grace to be Born is a foundation that provides temporary shelter for struggling mothers and orphans. The Rotary Club of Makati, Philippines visited the Foundation to help these women and kids who needed a second chance in life. A seminar was given on the importance of self reliance and to keep hope even being in difficult situations.

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## Ping Yuen Peace Project



Bringing Rotary into low income housing and helping bring peace to discrimination issues that exist.

Rotary Club of San Francisco Chinatown served 250 residents in a low income housing area. Issues arise such as race and discrimination and also an increase in crime. As a member of the Rotarian Action Group, the Club was asked to organize a peace project. Residents were asked to attend a themed barbecue. Both Black and Asian residents were joined in harmony to mingle and have their meal together. The Club funded the BBQ and injected a Rotarian spirit into a struggling community.

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## Ideas for Club Projects Cont'd—Economic and Community Development



Cycle Rally for Environment and Health Awareness.

An India Rotary Club took to a cycle rally to create public awareness on environment protection and benefits of cycling for health. 150 persons took part of which 120 were children from Millennium School.

## Maternal and Child Health



Conduct Community Seminar on pre-natal and post-natal care.

Location is Philippines and partnered with the Philippines Batangas Rotary Club

## Ideas for Club Projects—Community, Basic Education and Literacy



Support of Scholarships to students.

The Rotary Club of Aguas Santas / Pedroucos awarded 2 scholarships to the students. These were sponsored by the Portuguese Rotary Foundation and the Horizonte Vertical Company.

## Citations - Keep Your Eye on the Ball



**Presidential Citation**— Presidents are asked to complete mandatory and additional activities. These are verified by RI when you enter them on Rotary Club Central. Working with your Club Secretary on a monthly basis makes the entries easier to do. You have until 30th June 2017 to enter your Data on-line.

Once your Committees are achieving their goals and objectives set out at the start of the year, you will be in the driving seat to accomplish all four (4) citations where applicable.

**Presidential Citations for Rotaract and Interact Clubs**—The time-line is similar as stated above, which is 30th June 2017. Liaise with your Rota-

ract and Interact Presidents to ensure there is on-going planning, collaboration and communication amongst their members for the completion of service and fund raising projects and membership targets.

**Public Image**—This is easily missed by most clubs. Google to find it ! This year our District 7030 will fall under Zone 34. Submission deadline is March 31, 2017. (Send completed citation to Betsy Owen, Rotary Public Image Coordinator for Zone 34 with details as indicated)

Club Recognition received from the District Governor can signal a successful year. Acknowledging individual and team support by members throughout the Rotary year in your clubs also provides members with inspiration to serve at higher levels in your Club and the District.

## Why People Like You Joined Rotary



Rotary provides the opportunity to make a difference. We are able to help people both internationally and locally. Rotary is a well-respected organization with an established track record of doing great things for many people. Rotary also provides an oasis from the busy week, a place where I can enjoy the company of other Rotarians and guests, share a meal, fellowship, a laugh and learn a thing or two.

Rotary also provides a worldwide bond to other Rotarians. Whether I go 20 miles or 2,000 I know I can find a Rotary Club and feel welcome. I can tell from talking to the seasoned members that Rotary has been a very special organization to them.

**Paul K. page, Rotarian,  
Hornell Rotary Club, Hornell, NY, USA**

Rotary is perhaps the only non-political, non-religious world organization that does not discriminate between sex and personal standing of an individual. This organization has earned unparalleled credibility in the eyes of governments and the general public.

Additionally, Rotary offers an unique opportunity of personality growth, since each dedicated member can easily get involved in working at the club level soon after joining as a new Rotarian. Such involvement offers growth of leadership quality, public speaking, and tolerance for each other; all this, while one continues to spend one's time, energy and resources towards helping weaker sections of society for a better world.

**Vishnu Dhandhanian, Club President, Calcutta Metropolitan Rotary Club, Calcutta, WB, India**



## Upcoming Events

### March 2017

13-19 - World Rotaract Week

31 March — Pre-registration Discount ends for Rotary International Convention

### April 2017

30 April RI Convention registrations and ticket cancellations are due



## Monthly Themes

### March

**Water and Sanitation**

### April

**Maternal and Child Health**

### May

**Youth Service**

## 108th Atlanta, Georgia, USA Int. Convention



31 March 17 -USD415

14 June 17 -USD490

*Meet inspiring people in the world; Strengthen your club and your passion for Rotary;*

*Join the Rotary Foundation celebration;; Explore the American South; Enjoy special tours and events offered by the Host Organization Committee.*



## Presidents Contact Information

**PORT OF SPAIN** (Club No. 6823, Chartered 10/8/57) Pres. Howard Sabga—682-9230 (howard@bclgrouptt.com)

**PORT OF SPAIN WEST** (Club No. 6824, Chart. 23/2/76) Pres. Richard Teelucksingh –740-9536 (richard.teelucksingh@gmail.com)

**CENTRAL POS** (Club No. 6822, Chart. 19/8/80) Pres. Charmaine Callender—741-6932 (charmaine.callender@yahoo.com)

**DIEGO MARTIN** (Club No. 2569, Chart. 25/7/88) Pres. Gordon Paul –680-6545 (gpaul425@gmail.com) 2ND YEAR!!

**MARAVAL** (Club No. 29419, Chart. 4/5/93) Pres. Marie Dalton-Brown - 389-9922 (marie.daltonbrown@gmail.com)

## Club Meeting Dates—Visit Your Neighbor Clubs!

Club Name	Meeting place	Meeting day/time
Central Port of Spain	The Normandie Hotel, 10 Nook Avenue, St. Anns.	Every Thursday at 12 noon, except for the last Thursday of a Five week month, then arranges a Fellowship at a date and time to be announced.
Diego Martin	The Normandie Hotel, 10 Nook Avenue, St. Anns.	Mondays at 12 noon.
Maraval	The Normandie Hotel, 10 Nook Avenue, St. Anns.	Every Tuesday at noon, except for the last Tuesday of the month, then meets from 5pm to 6.30pm
Port of Spain	Goodwill Industries	Every Tuesday at 12.15pm
Port of Spain West	Cascadia Hotel	Every Wednesday at 12 noon.

## Signature Projects & Fundraisers

MARCH							APRIL							MAY							JUNE						
Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
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### Central POS

- 1) Chokha Fest FUNDRAISER from 8-11am, \$80 per ticket, at Queen's Hall car park, Sunday 12th March
- 2) Model United Nations SERVICE Project, at Trinidad Hilton Hotel, Sat. 18th and Sun. 19th March
- 3) Jazz Under The Stars FUNDRAISER from 5.30pm - 10.00pm, \$300 per ticket, at O'Farrell's Waterville Estate, La Sagesse Road, Santa Cruz, Sat. 13th May (held jointly with Maraval Club)

### Diego Martin

TBA (To Be Advised)

### Maraval

- 3) Joint Jazz FUNDRAISER—See details under Central POS

### POS

TBA

### POS West

- 1) Poor Man's Dinner FUNDRAISER, \$250 per ticket, at Cascadia, Saturday 18th March (Theme The Great 70's and proceeds go towards the Arrow Youth Literacy Program.
- 2) 26th Annual Golf Tournament FUNDRAISER, Sunday 23rd April

### Conferences and Conventions

- 1) District Conference in T'dad—April 26-29
- 2) International Convention in Atlanta—June 10-14