

Celebrating **25** Years Of Service
The Rotary Club of St. Andrew North



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Message From The Club President



Dear Fellow Rotarians & Friends,

I am humbled to be elected to lead the club in its 25th year of Rotary service.

In my 16 year journey in Rotary I have seen firsthand how the world can be changed by like-minded people pulling together, pooling resources and resolving to improve lives. The face of

Rotary and indeed of our club is markedly different from what I knew it to be as a young Interactor 16 years ago and as a newly inducted member 9 years ago. One thing that hasn't changed, however, is the club's commitment to serving our community.

Our club has spent the last 25 years united in service and dedicated to peace. We've put our lives into Rotary, enjoyed Rotary and honoured Rotary with faith and enthusiasm. We've looked beyond ourselves and realized that real happiness is in helping others. We believe in what we do and we do what we believe in. We've been friends to strangers half way across the world. We act with integrity, serve with love and work for peace. We have been building the future with action and vision, showing Rotary cares. We've followed our Rotary dream, acting with consistency, credibility and continuity. We've achieved our mission of creating awareness and taking action. Improving mankind has always been our business and we've sown the seeds of love while lending a hand to those in need.



Fabian "Bobby" Young, President of the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North, hands the Interact bell to newly installed Charter President of the Interact Club of Campion College, Kameika Fullerton. (1995)

For this Rotary year and in the years to come, let us continue to celebrate Rotary and give Service above Self. Let us lead the way. Let us share. Let us make dreams real. The future of Rotary is in our hands so let us secure that future by continuing to build communities and bridge continents. Let us reach within and embrace humanity.

I am grateful for the support you have given me throughout this awesome journey and look forward to working with you to change the world one step at a time.

Yours in Rotary service,
Kameika Fullerton-DeLisser
President 2011 - 2012
Rotary Club of St. Andrew North

Rotary International President's Message



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



My Dear Fellow Rotarians:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to this new Rotary year. This is your opportunity for you and your fellow club members to come together as a team: a Rotary team that plays to win, and to make the world a happier, friendlier, and better place.

Mahatma Gandhi once said: You must be the change you wish to see in the world. I ask you to begin to put these words into practice. Do not just talk about making a happier world, but be a part of it. A smile, a handshake, a friendly greeting—it is

something that takes so little from us to give, and brings so much happiness to others. Let us resolve, all of us, to make 2011-2012 a year of smiles—and let us begin today, by sharing our smiles with our fellow Rotarians, and with their spouses and families.

In Rotary, we seek the deeper joy that comes from embracing others—from looking within ourselves and finding the strength, the resources, and the peace to create our change. First reach within, then move on confidently toward the targets you have set for yourselves. Discover yourself, then develop the strengths within you, and then, unhesitatingly, unflinchingly, go forth and encircle the world, to embrace humanity.

Sincerely,

Kalyan Banerjee
President, 2011-2012



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District Governor's Message



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

As District Governor 2011-2012, I would like to welcome you to what I hope will be a productive and participative year for all the clubs within District 7020.

We wish that we will all pull together to be prepared for the Hurricane season which runs from June to November .

Coordinate with your Disaster Relief Chairs in your different Clubs as with the Disaster Relief Chair in the District to have a harmonious and synergistic preparation to face the eventual violence of nature.

Remember that we have to be prepared for Future Vision in 2013 in our District and this year we advocate that every Club has a Future Vision Chair to be in close contact with our District Governor Nominee, who is the District Future Vision Chair.

A new Generation or a Youth Chair in every Club is suggested so we can prepare the future for membership growth in our District.

Always keep in mind and act to support your Rotary Foundation.

Remember to prepare your SAR and be ready to be in conformity with your dues payment to both District and Rotary International at the beginning of July.

I only mention a few issues among many other tasks for which we have to be prepared. We should never forget that we are obligated to be always ready to: REACH within to EMBRACE HUMANITY.

Let us go together for a joyful & productive 2011-2012 year.

I am taking the opportunity to reiterate that I am counting on your presence at the official installation of District Governor 2011-2012, which will take place July 2, 2011, at the Karibe Convention Center in Petion-Ville Haiti at 6pm.

Kindly remember that the PETS, Assembly and Conference will be held in Haiti between April 17 and 21, 2012.

Yours in Rotary,

Guy D. Theodore
Governor 2011-2012
District 7020

Assistant Governor's Message



My Fellow Rotarians

Another year has passed and although challenging for some, in my opinion, you were all successful in making your Clubs Bigger, Better, Bolder through the projects undertaken and the publicity received locally and internationally.

As we embark upon a new Rotary year, and embrace the core issues of Rotary International which are Community, Water, Health, Hunger Literacy and Child Mortality, the challenges will come along, but by working together the objectives for the year will be met.

My heartfelt thanks to all my Clubs for your support during 2011 – 2012. You all have made my job as Assistant Governor rewarding and sharing with you, a tremendous experience. As we now “Look within to Embrace Humanity”, it is my wish for you all to undertake your responsibilities to your club with commitment and pride.

I would like to share the words of my mentor as a guide: - “You get out of Rotary what you put into it.”

Looking forward to serving you all again with humility.

Best wishes to you all

Yours in Rotary,

Ruth C. Palmer
Assistant Governor 2011 – 2012
Jamaica South Central
District 7020

Message From Our Past District Governor, Errol Alberga



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

The Rotary Club of St. Andrew North celebrates 25 years this Rotary Year. This is a significant milestone for any Club, and it is a distinct pleasure and with a sense of humility that I bring greetings as a Charter member of the Club, the 5th President, 1991-1992 (the first four are no longer members of the Club), and the first District Governor, 2009-2010 from this Club.

It is even more significant that this Rotary year, our Club will have its first female President. A trail blazer in her own right, President Kameika was the first President of our first Interact Club, at Campion College, and the first female to join our Club at a time when it was not popular for women to be in Rotary. Much is expected from her and I have no doubt that our Club will have an excellent year of Service to our Community, our District and Internationally.

It is these very achievements and the satisfaction we enjoy from seeing the benefits of our labour accrue to our fellowman that motivate us to move mountains, to dream, imagine and deliver beyond expectation.

This, they say, will be a challenging year, but Rotarians are not afraid of challenges – neither our own nor those that limit others. I know we will continue to impact many lives through the projects and programmes we undertake.

I am proud to be a Rotarian and look forward to fellowship and camaraderie as we recommit ourselves to our motto “Service Above Self.”

The future is in our hands, “One Love, One Heart, Let’s Get Together and Feel All Right.

Errol C. Alberga
Charter Member, Rotary Club of St. Andrew North
Governor 2009-2010
District 7020

Charter President’s Message



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

When incoming President Kameika asked me to write this message for the 25th Anniversary Magazine of the club, I was honoured and quickly accepted.

I well remember the 1st meeting of the club on April 25, 1987, when all 25 Charter members met at Terra Nova Hotel at 6.00 p.m. We were most grateful to have the guidance of our Sponsoring Club (St.

Andrew) in the persons of PP’s Alvaro Casserly and Larkie Hall, who assisted us for many weeks by their attendance and guidance.

Much credit and gratitude must go to these Rotarians for the successes of this Rotary Club. As the first evening club in the Corporate Area, we became very popular for Rotarians making up their attendance. These Rotarians always complimented us on our warmth and friendliness, and as such we soon became a popular Rotary Club to visit.

In our first year we grew from 25 to 37 members and last year we had the first District Governor, Errol Alberga (a charter member of the club).

The Rotary Club of St. Andrew North has continued to hold its position as a formidable member of Rotary in Jamaica and the District.

The Rotary Club of St. Andrew North is blessed and honoured to have its first female President in its 25th year of existence. I wish God’s blessings on President Kameika and I know that she will have a special year.

Yours sincerely,
Robert Parchment
Charter President 1987-1988
Rotary Club of St. Andrew North



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WHERE IT ALL BEGAN: THE GENESIS

by **Brian Bonitto**

It's Monday evening and as the sun sets on the Wyndham Kingston Hotel, a group of dedicated professionals rally under the motto: "Service Above Self". They are members of the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North.

"When we started out, we were looking at possibly setting up a Rotary Club in Stony Hill. In fact, the first set of meetings was held in the St. Jude's Church Hall," said PDG Alvaro Casserly, one of the pioneers of the formation of Rotary Club of St. Andrew North.



PDG Alvaro Casserly

As a member of the sponsoring club, Rotary Club of St. Andrew, PDG Alvaro said the base of the Northern

Club was intended to be elsewhere.

"It is called the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North because the thinking was that the members would meet in the Stony Hill area," he said.

PDG Alvaro, who has held the position of District Governor for District 7020, said at that time, a hotel on Old Stony Hill Road was earmarked for club meetings, but that did not materialise as the hotel had plans of permanently closing its door. The venue was then shifted to the Terra Nova Hotel for the club's inauguration on April 29, 1987, where it continued for several years, before finding its present home at the Wyndham Kingston Hotel in New

Kingston.

"These were exciting times," said the Past District Governor.

Interestingly, the Rotary Club of St. Andrew not only gave birth to St. Andrew North, but also to the Rotary Clubs of New Kingston and Port Antonio.

According to PDG Alvaro Casserly, most of the clubs used to meet at lunch time.

"So, we at the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North were the first Rotary Club in the Corporate Area to meet in the evenings," said Errol Alberga, Past District Governor and charter member.

PDG Errol said back then, prospective members of the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North were finding it challenging to meet at lunch time because of their busy schedules.

"So, there was a need for an evening club for persons like myself," said PDG Errol, who is an architect by profession.

Another factor, which he said, led to the creation of the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North was the fact that the Corporate Area was too large to be served by the limited number of clubs which existed up to that time.

"Back then, there were Rotary Clubs of Kingston, St. Andrew and Downtown Kingston," he recalled.

PDG Errol said, as a result the newly-formed Rotary Club of St. Andrew North



PDG Errol Alberga

had to hit the ground running. "When a club is being sponsored, sometimes some members from the sponsoring club join the newly-created club," he said. "That did not happen in our case, we were all new Rotarians in St. Andrew North."

Dr Robert Parchment, first president of the Rotary Club of St. Andrew North, said he remembers the challenges involved when he assumed the leadership role of the then 27-member club.



Dr. Robert Parchment

"I remember saying to my wife before I was elected president that the job of president was going to be a brute job," he fondly recalled. "Little did I know I was going to be chosen president, but, it was an honour. I had to read a lot of books on Rotary to learn what my duties would involve." Dr. Parchment and his successor, Dr. Keith Roache, spearheaded the construction of a 2,900 square-foot skills training centre at the Homestead Place of Safety, in Stony Hill. That institution primarily equips boys between 8 and 14 years old with life-long skills.

"I was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow by the club after my first year, because the members thought that I did a great job," said Dr. Parchment, who is no longer a member. "And, as the sun rises on a new administration, Dr. Parchment is optimistic about a bright future for the club which he once led.

"Rotary is a great organization," he said. "And, the Rotary Club of St. Andrew

North just has to keep on doing what it has been doing and be guided by the principle of Service Above Self," he noted

Fact file

- **Current membership: 45**
- **Five foundation members still active in the club: Errol Alberga, Neville Blythe, Oswald Brooks, Roger Hinds and Lascelles Poyser.**

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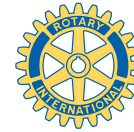


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THE HISTORY OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

The world's first service club, the Rotary Club of Chicago, was formed on 23rd February 1905 by Paul P. Harris, an attorney who wished to capture in a professional club the same friendly spirit he had felt in the small towns of his youth. The Rotary name derived from the early practice of rotating meetings among members' offices.



The first four Rotarians: (from left) Gustavus Loehr, Silvester Schiele, Hiram Shorey, and Paul P. Harris

Rotary's popularity spread, and within a decade, clubs were chartered from San Francisco to New York to Winnipeg, Canada. By 1921, Rotary clubs had been formed on six continents. The organization adopted the Rotary International name a year later.

As Rotary grew, its mission expanded beyond serving club members' professional and social interests. Rotarians began pooling their resources and contributing their talents to help serve communities in need. The organization's dedication to this ideal is best expressed in its motto: Service

Above Self.

By July 1925, Rotary had grown to more than 2,000 clubs and an estimated 108,000 members. The organization's distinguished reputation attracted presidents, prime ministers, and a host of other luminaries to its ranks — among them author Thomas Mann, diplomat Carlos P. Romulo, humanitarian Albert Schweitzer, and composer Jean Sibelius.

The Four-Way Test

In 1932, Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor created The Four-Way Test, a code of ethics adopted by Rotary 11 years later. The test, which has been translated into more than 100 languages, asks the following questions:

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?

Rotary and World War II

During World War II, many clubs were forced to disband, while others stepped up their service efforts to provide emergency relief to victims of the war. In 1942, looking ahead to the postwar era, Rotarians called for a conference to promote international educational and cultural exchanges. This event inspired

the founding of UNESCO.

In 1945, 49 Rotary club members served in 29 delegations to the UN Charter Conference. Rotary still actively participates in UN conferences by sending observers to major meetings and covering the United Nations in its publications.

“Few there are who do not recognize the good work which is done by Rotary clubs throughout the free world,” former Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain once declared.



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Dawn of a new century

As it approached the 21st century, Rotary worked to meet society’s changing needs, expanding its service efforts to address such pressing issues as environmental degradation, illiteracy, world hunger, and children at risk.

Today, 1.2 million Rotarians belong to over 32,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas.

25 YEARS OF SERVICE ABOVE SELF

We have participated in many local and international projects since our Charter in 1987. Among them are -

1987-1989 PRESIDENTS:
DR. ROBERT PARCHMENT ('87 – '88)
AND KEITH ROACHE ('88 – '89)



The construction of a 2,900 sq. ft. skills training workshop at the Homestead Place of Safety to train boys between aged 8 to 14

1989-1990
PRESIDENT GEORGE SWIRE

National road safety campaign to assist in reducing the number of road fatalities islandwide. Also, per Rotary proposal, the government introduced a points-based ticketing system.

Established Annual Family Fun Day.

1990-91
PRESIDENT BILL BURNETT

Donated scouting equipment and tents valued at J\$40,000.00 to the Scout Troop Movement in Stony Hill.

Rotary Wives’ Club - The Inner Wheel Club of St. Andrew North – was formed.

1991-95 PRESIDENTS:
ERROL ALBERGA ('91 – '92)
OSWALD BROOKS ('92 – '93),
CECIL BEHARRY ('93-'94)
AND FABIAN YOUNG ('94 – '95)

Constructed a playfield and pavilion in Stony Hill valued at J\$4.5 million with a seating capacity of 500

1992-93
PRESIDENT OSWALD BROOKS

Erected a one-bedroom house for an indigent couple in Stony Hill. Provided a commercial-size baking oven and walk-in freezing unit for National Children’s Home in St. Andrew.

Donated several pieces of equipment and 1,200 pounds of food to Bellevue Hospital in Kingston.

1993-94
PRESIDENT CECIL BEHARRY

Awarded a scholarship grant of J\$10,000 each to 2 students of St. Andrew Technical High School.

1994-95
PRESIDENT FABIAN ‘BOBBY’ YOUNG

Established a state-of-the-art Physics and Biology lab at Oberlin High School in West Rural St. Andrew under the club’s first matching grant programme, with the help of the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Central and The Rotary Foundation.

Established a community library in the inner-city community of Hannah Town, West Kingston, through a matching grant with District 1080 (England) and The Rotary Foundation.

1995-96

PRESIDENT JACK SHIRLEY

Launched an Education Trust Fund with an opening balance of J\$500,000.

1996-97

PRESIDENT BRIAN WILLIAMS

Launched an islandwide public awareness campaign on the Organ Donor Transplantation programme valued at J\$400,000.

Sponsored the 'Flying Dentist' programme which allowed five overseas dentists to work in 5 local communities serving 1,100 persons and delivering service valued at US\$52,000.

Donated a mobile oxygen unit to the Stony Hill Health Clinic and refurbished chairs in the waiting room. Engaged "Health to Children International" to fly a private aircraft from Chicago to Jamaica with supplies for the Bustamante Hospital for Children.

1997-98

PRESIDENT NEVILLE BLYTHE

Erected a recreation centre and classroom at National Children's Home. Provided sponsorship for JFC Children's Expo Fundraising Art Bazaar valued at J\$16,000.

1998-99

PRESIDENT GEORGE WILSON

Spearheaded Career Expo '99 with 800 students from 12 urban schools participating.

Planted and distributed Lignum Vitae trees across the Corporate Area.

1999-2000

PRESIDENT RADLEY REID

Partnered with BNS to refurbish and outfit a computer laboratory at Meadowbrook High, installing 40 networked computer workstations and rewiring and securing classrooms. Project valued at J\$1.9 million. Donated combination desks and chairs to Padmore All-Age School.

2000-01

PRESIDENT ALFRED MCPHERSON

Partnered with Jamaica Family Planning Unit to sponsor seminar on AIDS for Corporate Area 5th and 6th form students. The lead presenter was Dr. Prince Ramsay – one of the hemisphere's foremost experts on AIDS.

Organised a work-day painting the building at School of Hope.

2001-02

PRESIDENT MILTON HEWLING

Donated J\$300,000 worth of ophthalmologic equipment to Bustamante Hospital for Children.

2002-03

PRESIDENT HENRY WILLIAMS

Donated J\$450,000 to the Adolescent's Basic Enhancement (ABLE) Foundation which assists children in need with health care, mentorship, homework guidance and conflict resolution thereby reducing their exposure to risks.

Inducted first female member - Kameika Fullerton.

2003-04

PRESIDENT ADOLPH BROWN

Assisted an 8-year-old from Lawrence Tavern to receive open-heart surgery

overseas.

Assisted a young Interactor with remedial therapy following accident.

2003-05 PRESIDENTS:

ADOLPH BROWN ('03 - '04)

AND DONALD PATTERSON ('04 - '05)



Partnered with Jamaica Broilers Group and Jamaica Social Investment Fund to construct a workshop for the Jamaica Society for the Blind (JSB). The JSB workshop project became the club's contribution to the commemoration of Rotary International's centennial celebrations.

2004-05

PRESIDENT DONALD PATTERSON

Completed roof repairs and repainting of workshop area of JSB and reconstructed the driveway.

2005-06

PRESIDENT WAYNE WRAY

Led a drive which attracted J\$2.3 million from private sector companies and individuals to the Area 4 Police Civic Committee Educational Trust Fund in partnership with the Rotary Club of West Orlando and The Rotary Foundation. The project lasted 4 years and donated 453 one-year scholarships to 184 students from over 49 high schools in Kingston.

Financed over 20 scholarships to needy-but-eligible high school students through our Educational Trust Fund. PDG Errol Alberga was among the nominees for the 2005 UN Volunteers Awards for his selfless community work.

2006-07

PRESIDENT PATRICK GILLINGS

Donated furniture to the Shortwood United Early Childhood Centre.

Donated furniture and water tank to Mannings Hill Basic School.

Partnered with Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise to secure matching grant for donation of stretchers to the Accident and Emergency Ward at the University Hospital of the West Indies.



Donated an ambulance to Bustamante Hospital for Children.

Became the first club in Jamaica to join the District Paul Harris Society.

2007-08

PRESIDENT JOSCELYN JOLLY

Partnered with the Rotary Club of West Orlando and donated dialysis machine worth US\$25,000 to the Kingston Public Hospital.

2008-09
PRESIDENT MICHAEL MARTIN
Partnered with CHASE Fund to give a make-over valued at J\$1.8M to the library at the Early Childhood Education Centre at the Shortwood Teachers' College.

2009-10
PRESIDENT DONOVAN G. BROWN
Refurbished Calabar High School's Physics lab at a cost of J\$500,000.
Donated water tanks to 3 schools in the Corporate Area

2010-11
PRESIDENT DAVID T. BROWN
Promoted the procurement and installation of defibrillators in public spaces and private and public companies.

Partnered with Rotary Club of Falls Church to secure matching grant to purchase equipment for Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre.

Club Invocation

Heaven Father, we thank You for assembling us this evening for fellowship and to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a worthy enterprise. Guide us by Your Holy Spirit, in the things we think, say, or do. Give us an abundance of love in our hearts for the poor and needy. Help us to make this world a better place by applying the object of Rotary to our lives. Bless this meal and our bodies to receive it. These things we ask in the precious name of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

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:

1. 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 of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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HISTORY OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 7020

The records of Rotary International indicate that Rotary within the islands of the Caribbean began with what was called non-district clubs. The first non-district club to receive a charter was The Rotary Club of St. Thomas in 1957, followed by The Rotary Club of St. Croix in 1958; and by The Rotary Club of Kingston in 1959. Rotary International continued to charter non-district clubs until 1973 there were some 41 clubs with charters.

In June of 1973, the first Caribbean Convention of non-district Clubs was held in St. Kitts. One of the outcomes of this Convention was a petition to Rotary International for the establishment of a district for the clubs of the Caribbean. Rotary International established District 404 on July 1, 1974. All the French, Dutch, and English speaking islands in the Caribbean Diaspora were included. Dr John Watts of Grenada became the first District Governor of District 404. The first District Conference was held in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad on September 25-28, 1974 with some 314 Rotarians and participants attending. Forty-three of forty-four clubs were represented. District 404 continued to grow with new clubs developing in most of the Caribbean islands.

By the 1979 District Conference in the Virgin Islands, there were some 57 clubs with 2,041 Rotarians situated in the geographical area from the Bahamas in the western Caribbean to the US Virgin Islands. This created many logistical problems for the new District. For example, many of the mandatory functions of the District Governor such as visiting every club during the first six months of his governorship were virtually impossible with such a spread out District. Thus, Rotary International was petitioned once again

to make changes within District 404. The request was for District 404 to be divided into two separate Districts - 404 and 405. District 405 was created for clubs in the Eastern Caribbean, south of the island of St. Martin/St. Martin, and the North and Western Islands remained as District 404.

District 404 was a part of Rotary International's Sacama Zone 5 that was predominantly South America and Spanish speaking.

On July 1, 1991, the District number was changed to 4040 to be consistent with the worldwide four-digit numbering by Rotary International.

The January 1992 Council on Legislation adopted enactment 92.140 which transferred District 4040 from Sacama Zone 5 to USCB Zone 10 effective July 1, 1992.

At its March 1992 meeting, the Board of Directors of Rotary International requested the General Secretary to give the District a new number in harmony with the numbers used by the other Districts in USCB Zone 10. Consequently, District 4040 was renumbered as District 7020 with effect from July 1, 1992.

The Council of Legislation in 1995 then realigned the districts around the world and on July 11, 1995, placed District 7020 into Zone 21, the new name for the old Sacama Zone. This decision allowed District 7020 to affiliate with Zone 34, the Southeast United States, for communication and training purposes. At the Council on Legislation in January 1998, a resolution was passed to move District 7020 into Zone 34 effective on July 1, 1998. The District has thrived within this Zone with increased involvement in Rotary International. There are 80 Clubs in the District with a total membership of about 2,700 as of June, 2011.



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WOMEN IN ROTARY

by Kameika Fullerton-DeLisser



Carolyn Jones, first female trustee of The Rotary Foundation

and the California Supreme Court supported the Duarte position that Rotary could not remove the club's charter merely for inducting women into the club.

Rotary International appealed the ruling and the matter before the US Supreme Court who upheld the California court, maintaining that Rotary clubs do have a "business purpose" and are in some ways public-type organizations. This action in 1987 allowed women to become Rotarians in any jurisdiction having similar "public accommodation" statutes.

Until 1989, the Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary International stated that Rotary club membership was for males only. The records show that several unsuccessful attempts were made to provide for the admission of women in Rotary from as far back as 1950. In 1977, the Rotary Club of Duarte, California, USA, invited 3 women to become members – Mary Lou Elliott, Donna Bogart and Rosemary Freitag. The RI Board withdrew the charter of that club in 1978 for violation of the RI Constitution.

The 1989 Council on Legislation changed the RI Constitution with a vote to eliminate the "male only" provision for all of Rotary. Since that time, women have become members and leaders of clubs and districts throughout the world.

Dr. Sylvia Whitlock from the Rotary Club of Duarte became the first female Rotary President in history in 1987. Eight women became the first female District Governors in Rotary's history in 1995. In 2005, Carolyn Jones became the first woman appointed as trustee of The Rotary Foundation and in 2008 Rotary International elected Catherine Noyer-Riveau as its first female Director.

The club re-named itself "Ex Rotary Club of Duarte" and immediately filed a law suit against RI claiming a violation of a state civil rights law that prohibits discrimination of any form in business establishments or public accommodations. The appeals court

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Our sponsor club, Rotary Club of St. Andrew, was the first Rotary club in Jamaica to admit women. The pioneer was Grace Ann Ashley who was inducted in 1993. In 2001, Shirley Gayle of the Rotary Club of Portmore and Dr. Dorothy Blake of the Rotary Club of Port Antonio became the first female Presidents of Rotary clubs in Jamaica. In 2010 Jamaica had its first female Assistant Governor, Ruth

Palmer, and District 7020 had its first female Governor, Diana White.

Our club's moment in history came in 2002 with the induction of Kameika Fullerton (now DeLisser) as the first female member of the club. For the year 2011-2012 she will serve as the first female President of our club. Today, our club boasts 13 female members, almost a third of our total club membership.

NEW GENERATIONS: INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE

Rotary Club of St. Andrew North believes an investment in youth is an investment in a country's future. As a result, we have participated in many projects, programmes and activities to benefit our youth and to help them become future leaders. Some instances of our involvement with youth are listed below.



Interact Clubs - *Rotary International's service club for young people aged 12 – 18.*

Our club sponsors 5 such clubs at Champion College (1995), The Queen's School (1999), Immaculate Conception High School (2000), Calabar High School (2003) and Meadowbrook High School (2005).

Scholarships

We have sponsored a number of successful applicants for Rotary's World Peace and Ambassadorial scholarships. In addition, our club's Education Trust Foundation gives grants to needy students each year.

Group Study Exchange (GSE) –



Rotary's unique cultural and vocational exchange programme for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers.

Rotaract Club – *Rotary International's service club for young people aged 18 – 30.*

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3 of our club members (*Kameika Fullerton-DeLisser, Danielle Campbell and Kay-Ann White*) are former members of our sponsored Interact clubs. Club member Danette Nelson was a member of the GSE team to Australia in 2010 of which our Past President Alfred McPherson served as team leader.

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ROTARY'S GLOBAL POLIO ERADICATION INITIATIVE



Kameika Fullerton-DeLisser giving polio vaccine to an infant in India in 2009

In 1985, Rotary International launched its Polio-Plus Campaign to fund the operational, social mobilisation and training efforts required to eradicate Polio.

The programme was unveiled at the annual Rotary International Convention where Dr. Albert Sabin, who discovered the rare vaccine, urged Rotarians to maintain their commitment to immunisation around the world. Dr. Sabin warned, that without action there could be some eight million additional cases (to what was already known) of residual paralytic polio worldwide by 2005.

The programme actually began in 1979 when through a 3-H grant a project to immunise six million Philippine children against polio was launched. This grant set the stage for what has become known as Rotary's showpiece and their commitment along with the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the US Centre for Disease Control and Prevention, to the eradication of polio throughout the world.

Spearheading Partners

a) World Health Organization

WHO, through its headquarters, regional and country offices provided the overall technical discretion and strategic planning for the management and coordination in the global polio eradication initiative.

b) US Centre For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

The Atlantic-based CDC deploys epidemiologists, public health experts, and scientists to WHO and UNICEF. CDC also works as the 'viral detective' of the four partners. Using its state-of-the-art virological surveillance expertise (genetic fingerprinting) to investigate outbreaks of polio, identify the strain of polio virus involved and pinpoint its exact geographical origin.

c) UNICEF

UNICEF procures and distributes polio vaccine for routine and supplementary immunisations. They participate, along with WHO, in the implementation of intensified 'National Immunisation Days' and 'Substantial Immunisation Day's, as well as mop-up campaigns at the country level.

d) Rotary International

More than one million Rotary club members have volunteered their time and personal resources to protect more than

two billion children in 122 countries from polio. To date, the organisation has contributed more than US\$700 million -- a figure that will rise to more than US\$850 million by the time the world is certified free from polio.

Club members also provide valuable support in the field. Our own president-elect, Kameika Fullerton-DeLisser along with other members from District 7020, were in India during India's National Immunisation Days in 2009. "This is truly a moving and rewarding experience," said Kameika. Joining the group of contributors too, are the governments of the United Kingdom and Germany.

Timeline of polio fight

- a) In 1954 -- Dr. Jonas Salk develops the first vaccine against polio.
- b) 1961 -- Dr. Albert Sabin discovers live 'oral' vaccine.
- c) 1994 -- The Western Hemisphere is declared polio-free.

d) 1995 -- 165 million children in China and India are immunised in a week.

e) 1997 -- 134 million children in India are immunised in a week.

f) 2002 -- Europe is declared polio-free at the Rotary International Convention in Barcelona, Spain.

g) 2006 -- Number of polio endemic countries drop to four -- India, Pakistan, Nigeria and Afghanistan.

h) 2009 -- Bill and Melinda Gates contribute a total of US\$355 million to fight the dreaded disease and have challenged Rotarians to match that figure with US\$200 million. To date, under this 'challenge' Rotarians have raised US\$165 million.

i) 2010-11 -- At the beginning of the Polio-plus campaign only 10 per cent of the world's children lived in a polio-free world. Today, over 70 per cent live in a polio-free world. We are now closer than ever in eradicating this deadly disease from the face of the earth.

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THE YEAR AHEAD

We will continue to serve our local and international communities with relevant projects that give hope to those who need it, including -

MAJOR PROJECT– St. Stephen’s United Church Early Childhood Development Centre (Basic School)



Supported by the St. Stephen’s United Church, the school has 100 enrolled students aged 3 – 6 years, who are largely the children of people working in the Cross Roads area of Kingston. The church hall presently houses the school during the daytime but the church has ambitious plans to erect a building on the premises dedicated to housing the school.

This year we will start a long term relationship with the school which we will “adopt” for at least 3 years. Our goal is to establish and outfit a computer room, provide audio visual equipment, furniture, a freezer and supplies for the children. The cost of the project is estimated at J\$1.2M.

Gift Of Life



We will partner with Rotary clubs in and outside our District to help save the lives of 18 children by getting them the heart surgeries they need through the Gift of Life International programme. The total cost of the project is estimated at US\$90,000.

Big Kid Project In Haiti



The Big Kid Project is a project of the Rotary Club of Pignon, Haiti and is designed to assist the communities in the Pignon area in providing nutrition for their families. Goat meat is a staple of the diet in Haiti and the indigenous small cabritas goat has long been the primary source of meat.

Three large, thoroughbred male goats are used to cross-breed with the female cabritas goats and begin production of larger offspring for higher meat production. Once pregnant, each female goat is given to a family for free. A kid from the first litter is returned to the stock as full payment for the pregnant female. All future progeny, now larger than the indigenous variety, provide a greater quantity of meat for the family on an on-going basis. We will donate at least 1 goat to this project.

We will continue our support of Rotary International's flagship Polio Plus programme to help finally eradicate Polio from the world. Our goal is to donate at least US\$1,000 towards the Polio Plus fund and to continue to raise awareness about the dreaded disease and Rotary's eradication efforts.

If you would like to support these or any other projects of the club, please email us at rotarystandrewnorth@gmail.com.

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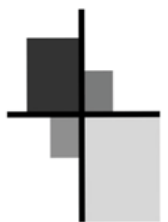
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