The Bay



Bulletin 11

September 25, 2012 Guest Speaker – Zaheer Clarke

Attendance on September 18, 2012: Alfred, Ben, Blondel, Conrad, Darrell, Duncan, Emmanuel, Erica, Kay, Mexine, Michelle, Natasha, Phyllis, Robin, Roxanne, Vernella

Guests: Joan Wilkenson, Rick Lowie, Claus Fehrenbacher, RC of Struttgart-Solitude

Apologies for August 21, 2012: Alisha, Denton, George, Karen, Kevin, Pishu

Birthday:

Anniversary: None

Announcements:

• Joint Project with RC South Miami of Installation of Cupboards and Computers – SOS Children's Village Barrett Town – Saturday, September 29, 2012 – See Director Natasha for more info

- Inter-Club Assembly at Mandeville Hotel Saturday and Sunday September 29 -30, 2012 Transport \$1,200
- Tuesday, October 2, 2012 meeting postponed

• DG Visit of Club Projects – Wednesday, October 3, 2012 – 11 am - 1pm

• Tentative DG Visit to Christian Academy Early Act – Wednesday, October 3, 2012 – 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm – Brandon Hill

• DG Visit with Rotaract Club of Montego Bay -Wednesday, October 3, 2012 – 7 pm - 9 pm at Pier 1

• Board Meeting with DG Vance - Thursday, October 4, 2012 - 2 pm - 3:30 pm at Pres. Roxanne's Office, 28 Queens Drive

• Joint Meeting with RCMB East – Thursday, October 4, 2012 – 7 pm at Sunset Beach Hotel

• DG Vance Cocktail Reception – October 5, 2012

• NEW DATE - Family of Rotary Social Trip (Inclusive of all Rotarians and Family) – Appleton Rum Tour and Black River Safari –October 13, 2012

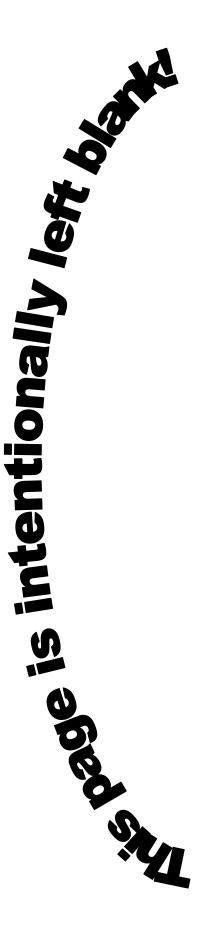
District Conference – Tortola, BVI – May 14- 18, 2013
Rotary International Conference – Lisbon, Portugal –

June 21-26, 2013

Recap for last week: Guest Speaker – Natasha Parchment-Clarke



Energetic New Generation Chair Natasha informed the Club of all the amazing things that the New Gen Clubs are doing in Montego Bay to make us proud. On back page see listing of meeting dates and times of each Club and get 'young' again!



Thank you Message from the President

It has been three months since I have been installed as President of our Club, and I must say that I have lots of respect for the persons whose shoes I am now filling. I believe that the weekly meetings are so rushed that lots of persons who should be getting kudos for working towards maintaining our Club, and doing "Service above Self," have not been thanked. So, on behalf of the Club here is a hearty "THANK YOU" to each person who has contributed in whatever way he/she has done, and especially to those who 'see a need and fill a need' without any prompting.

Without taking away from all the work other persons have done for the past twelve weeks, I wish to-focus on this week's contributions (in no order of importance) as an example of how things get done by the diligent Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Montego Bay.

To commence, thank you to the Scholarship Committee (PP Kay, Rtn Darrell, Sec. Blondel, PP Bhagwan and PP Conrad) for executing this year's disbursement of Scholarships. Special thanks and a hearty "Job Well Done" to Rtn Darrell Wilkenson, for his debut—on the Scholarship Committee and serving as Co-Chair. All scholarship cheques along with letters to the_recipients have been prepared andare currently being awarded! Well done team!

Thank you to PP Bhagwan for his quiet and ongoing work with the Wheelchair Project. In addition, my profound gratitude to him for using his own money "to get things done" so that we will be able to obtain the wheelchairs for distribution in January. Awe-inspiring!

Thank you to Rtn Natasha for spearheading the Coastal Clean-up that gave so much positive publicity to our Club and resulted in our winning a whopping \$100,000.00 to the Melody House for Girls! Girl, you rock!

Thank you to Rtn Kevin for working with the RC of Lucea on our behalf in helping to facilitate a new pair of glasses to a child in need. Awesome job!

Thank you to Rtn Ben for attending the Interact Club of Cornwall College meeting. Also, our sincere appreciation to him for being a good role model, and mentor to our young Interact boys. Instrumental!

Thank you to PP Conrad for continuing to support the President's Project by building shelves for the computer labs and libraries. Valuable!

Thank you to IPP Vernella for checking on and giving her support to a faltering Early Act Club. Remarkable!

Thank you PDG Pishu for attending RI meetings and representing our Club in such a powerful way. Enormous!

Thank you to Treasurer Karen for spending hours at my office to "negotiate" apposite spending of our limited funds and to get the best bang for our buck without going in the red. Incalculable!

Thank you PP Alfred for ensuring that your duties will be carried out while you are away and then informing the Club of your replacement and to PP Kay for agreeing to fill in. Time-saving!

Thank you to all the Club members who work tirelessly behind the scenes to enable the easy flow of our Club meetings and events. Invaluable!

As you can see, so much happens in one week and every week it happens! If everyone does their job our Club will continue to shine. I implore you as Rotarians to remember why you joined, to those who are not - get involved and know that our Club is only as strong as all our combined efforts.

Photo Recap of last week's activities



PP Alfred, Rtn Spouse Joan and Rtn Emmanuel shared in Birthday song last week's meeting.



Members engrossed in Rtn Natasha's presentation last week.



Rtn Kevin fitting Sanjae with new pair of glasses. This project was done in collaboration with RC of Lucea on September 20.



Representatives from Early-Act, Interact, Rotaract and Rotary awarding cheque in the amount of \$100,000 to Melody Girl's Home on Wednesday, September 19.