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*Chartered March 21, 1961
Meeting:
Sandals Royal Caribbean,
Montego Bay
Thursdays - 12:45p.m.*

ADMINISTRATION 2011-12

Rotary International

RI President: Kalyan Banerjee

RI President Elect: Sakuji Tanaka

District 7020

District Governor: Guy Theodore

DG Elect: Vance Lewis

Assistant DG: Govind Chulani

BOD - Rotary Club of Montego Bay

President: Vernella Fuller

Vice President: Denton Campbell

Secretary: Natasha Parchment Clarke

Treasurer: Karen Burgess

President Elect: Thamani Smith

Immediate Past President: Mexine Bisasor

Sergeant at Arms: Alfred Pierre

Directors

Club Administration: Kay Reuben

Foundation: Duncan Sharp

Membership: Michelle Daswani

New Generation: Natasha Parchment- Clarke

Public Relations: Maria Ho Sue

Service Projects: Erica De Silva

Committee Chairs

Literacy: Thamani Smith

Vocational: Conrad Grant

Christmas Hampers: Conrad Grant

Health, Water & Sanitation: Blondel Reid

Christmas Family Luncheon: Blondel Reid

International Project: Andrea Hamilton

Disaster Relief: Duncan Sharp

Family of Rotary: Alfred Pierre

Major Fund Raiser: Denton Campbell, Maria Ho Sue

Membership Training: Pishu Chandiram, George Palmer, Larklin Hall

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Monthly Theme December ~ Family of Rotary!

Season's Greetings

Meeting: 13 December 2011

Present: PDG Pishu, PP Denton, PP Conrad, PP Alfred, Rtn. Phyllis, Rtn. Emmanuel, Rtn. Ben, PP Michelle, Rtn. Blondel, Rtn. Joliker, PE Roxanne, PP Duncan, PP George, PP Larkie.

Apologies: President Vernella

Guests: Major Darrell Wilkinson

P.P. George advised the Club that he has completed complying and re-drafting the new Bye-Laws of the Club, which shall be presented to the Club in January 2012 for adoption.

P.P. George, as chair of the Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers for the Club's administration 2012 - 2013. The slate was unchallenged and was adopted by the Club on a motion by P.P. Denton Campbell and seconded by PDG Pishu Chandiram.

Roxanne Smith - President

Emanuel Olasamo - Vice President

Natasha Parchment-Clark - President Elect

Blondel Reid - Secretary

Karen Burges - Treasurer

A slate of Directors will be presented to the Club by the President-Elect at our Business Meeting in January 2012 for consideration and acceptance.



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Shoes Distribution

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Several dozen shoes were donated to the Club by Carrollton Farmers' Branch Rotary Club, Texas. Distribution will be in several stages and over a number of days.

On Thursday 15 December, PP Bhagwan (Project leader), PP Conrad, Rtn. Blondel and President Vernella packaged shoes for the following organizations.

- West Haven Children's Home – Please see below.
- Cornwall Hospital Paediatric Ward – PP Michelle will carry out this presentation.
- The Homeless of Montego Bay – The Club will partner with The Salvation Army to distribute the lion share of the shoes during a feeding programme over the Christmas period.
- Individual Distributions – Rtn. Blondel, PP Michelle and PP George have requested a number of pairs to distribute to needy individuals known to them.

PP Bhagwan, PP Conrad, Rtn. Blondel and President Vernella visited West Haven Children's Home and spent a period of time with the children. They were also given a tour by founder Gloria Veira. The children and staff were delighted with the shoes they received.

West Haven children's Home is a residential home for up to 80 children with severe physical and learning disabilities.

The Rotary Club of Montego Bay has carried out several projects there, including a major wheel chair project in Rotary year 2010-11 with ROC Wheels (Reach out and Care) from Bozeman, Montana USA. In the recent past a washing machine, toys, pampers and other supplies have been donated with financial assistance from Carrollton Farmers' Branch, Texas.

The Home is in need of on-going support. For example, we were informed that the home uses 100 disposal diapers per day.

The staff members do tremendous work with the children. The home is professionally run, with a warm and caring atmosphere. The children are clearly extremely well looked after, and seemingly happy.

West Haven Children's Home is appreciative of any help and support that the Club continues to give and can give in the future.



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Pres. Vernella, PP Bhagwan, PP Conrad, Rtn. Blondel, Gloria Viera and staff at West Haven Children's Home

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Christmas Hampers Project

Distribution of Christmas Hampers to the needy is a long established tradition of the Rotary Club of Montego Bay. Infact this is one of the oldest on-going projects of the Club. Traditionally members make a special contributio to fund the Hampers. This year the cost of Hampers is funded by a sponsored walk, which occurred earlier this Rotary year, members donations & our recent Golf Tournament.

PP Conrad, Rth. Blondel, Pres. Vernella with Hi Lo Supermarket staff and manager Marie, packing Rtn. Blondel's van, PP Conrad & Pres. Vernella's cars with groceries for members' distribution to the needy.





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Announcements RCMB:

1. **Christmas Hampers for the Needy** – Items for Christmas Hampers are now available for collection from Hummingbird Hall, Rose Hall. Please collect for distribution before Christmas.
2. **Christmas Luncheon** – 20 December – 12:00 – 2:30, Sandals Royal. Please come with your friends and family.
3. **RCMB Promoting Reading Project – Volunteering Sessions:**

- **Tuesdays 10:30-11:30 ~ Greenwood School**
- **Thursdays 10:00-11:00 ~ Irwin School (October to February)**
- **Fridays 9:30 -10:30 ~ Chetwood Memorial School**
- **Albion (March to June 2012)**

Please inform Pres. Vernella or PP Erica if you wish to participate – weekly, fortnightly or monthly.

7. **Website devoted to Golf Tournament Sponsors -**
<http://www.hummingbirdhall.com/rotarymontegobaygolf/>
8. **Club's Website -** <http://www.rotarymontegobay.com> **advertising on Club Website-**
Please contact the Editorial Team for really competitive deals.
9. **Facebook Page. Please Click on this link and *like* -**
www.facebook.com/rotarymontegobay

Announcements - Other Clubs, District & International:

1. **Rotary Club of Rose Hall – Bingo Evening – First Tuesday in each month, The Atrium**
2. **District 7020 Conference** – Haiti, 17-21 April 2012
3. **Rotary International Convention** – Bangkok, Thailand, 6-9 May, 2012



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Rotary Grace

Option 1

Our Lord and giver of all good
We thank thee for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
help us to serve Thee
All our days.

Option 2

O Lord who know our need
Help us to fulfil our rotary creed
We live to serve these every day
In all we think or do or say
Accept our prayers for this meal
Restore, forgive, inspire and heal

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Eternal Father bless our land,
Guard us with Thy Mighty Hand,
Keep us free from evil powers,
Be our light through countless hours.
To our Leaders, Great Defender,
Grant true wisdom from above.
Justice, Truth be ours forever,
Jamaica, land we love.
Jamaica, Jamaica, Jamaica land we
love.

Teach us true respect for all,
Stir response to duty's call,
strengthen us the weak to cherish,
Give us vision lest we perish.
Knowledge send us Heavenly Father,
Grant true wisdom from above.
Justice, Truth be ours forever,
Jamaica, land we love.
Jamaica, Jamaica, Jamaica land we
love.

Recognition Slate – November 2011

Rotarian of the Month of November

Joint Winners:

- ❖ PP Denton (495 points)
- ❖ PDG Pishu (495 Points each)

Runners Up:

- ❖ PP Michelle (470) – Inc. bringing a new member to the Club
- ❖ Rtn. Phyllis (355) – Inc. gaining large sponsorships for the Club
- ❖ PP Erica (350) – Includes leading school volunteering project

Rotarians of the month contribution to the Club included among other things:

- Conceiving of, planning & organizing the major fund raiser Golf Tournament (PP Denton)
- Attending meetings and activities to do with Golf Tournament (PP Denton)
- Playing in the Golf Tournament (PP Denton)
- Helping the Club to raise in excess of \$920,000 (PP Denton, PDG Pishu)
- Donating the golf trophies (PDG Pishu)
- Donations of various items such as pens & pins to the Club (PDG)
- Attending various District & Zone events as Past District Governor (PDG)
- Seeking and obtaining sponsorship of \$250,000 from MegaMart (PDG)

This month we highlight other Rotarians achieving over 200 Points:

- PP Blondel (325)
- PP Conrad (225)
- PP Bhagwan (225)

Birthdays & Anniversaries in December:

PP Alfred – 6 December ~ Anniversary

Rtn. Maria – 18 December ~ Anniversary

Rtn. Andrea – 29 December ~ Birthday



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Meeting Opportunities in Jamaica:

Mondays:

St. Andrew North – Hilton Kingston Hotel (6:30p.m)
Kingston East & Port Royal- Morgan's Harbour Hotel (7:00 p.m)

Tuesdays:

St. Andrew – Jamaica Pegasus Hotel (12:30p.m)
Montego Bay – Sandals Royal Caribbean (12:45p.m)
Mandeville- Golf View Hotel (12:45p.m)
Falmouth - Glistening Waters (5:30p.m)
Port Antonio – Conf. Hall RADA, Folly Road (6:00p.m)
Savanna- la –Mar – Hotel Commingle (6:30p.m)
Spanish Town- Hilton Kingston Hotel (6:30p.m)
Rose Hall – The Atrium, Rose Hall (6:30p.m)
Santa Cruz -Beadle's Club (7:30p.m)

Wednesdays:

Montego Bay Sunrise - Wexford Hotel (7.30a.m)
Kingston Downtown – Hilton Kingston Hotel (12:30p.m)
Lucea- Grand Palladium (6:00p.m)
Negril – Negril Escape Resort (6:00p.m)
Ocho Rios-Sand Castles Hotel (6:00p.m)
Christiana- Spauldings Skills Trade centre (7:00p.m)
Portmore – Eden Gardens (7:30p.m)

Thursdays:

Kingston- Jamaica Pegasus Hotel (12:30p.m)
North St. Catherine- Windalco Sports Complex (6:00p.m)
Liguanea Plains- Eden Gardens (6:30p.m)
Trafalgar New Heights, Kingston -Liguanea Club (6.30pm)
May Pen – Hotel Versailles (7:00p.m)
Montego Bay East – Sunset Beach Resort (7:00p.m)
Black River- Luna Guest House (7:30 p.m)
Morant Bay – The Anglican Church Hall (6:00 p.m.)

Fridays:

New Kingston Pegasus Hotel (7:00a.m)

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?

Avenues of Service

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the smooth functioning of Rotary clubs.

Vocational Service involves club members serving others through their professions and aspiring to high ethical standards. Rotarians, as business leaders, share skills and expertise through their vocations, and they inspire others in the process.

Community Service Community Service is the opportunity Rotary clubs have to implement club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.

International Service encompasses efforts to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the world and to promote world understanding and peace. It includes everything from contributing to PolioPlus to helping Rotary Youth Exchange students adjust to their host countries.

New Generations Service recognises the positive change implemented by youth and young adults through leadership development activities such as RYLA, Rotaract, Interact and Earlyact club service projects, and creating international understanding with Rotary Youth Exchange.