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TONIGHT'S MEETING

- Call to Order
- The National Anthem of Barbados
- Rotary Grace
- Toasts to Her Majesty the Queen & Barbados
- Introduction of Visiting Rotarians & Guests
- Dinner
- Business
 - Scholarship Award Winner Presentation
 - Presentation of Rotaract Charter Certificate
 - Presentation from Rotaract Charter Members
- Any Other Business
- Toast to Rotary International

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

Calendar of Events & Activities

Monday, August 4th	Kadooment Day Lime
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Club Meeting

- No club meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 5th. The next meeting of Rotary West Club will be Tuesday, August 12th at 6:30pm.

Roster for Alexandra School Interact Club

- No Interact meetings will be held until further notice due to summer holidays.

Celebration Corner

Happy Birthday!

Rotarians celebrating	
Thursday, July 31 st	Anthony Mahabir
August 2 nd	David Huque

There are no Partners-in-Service celebrating birthdays this week and there are no wedding anniversaries.

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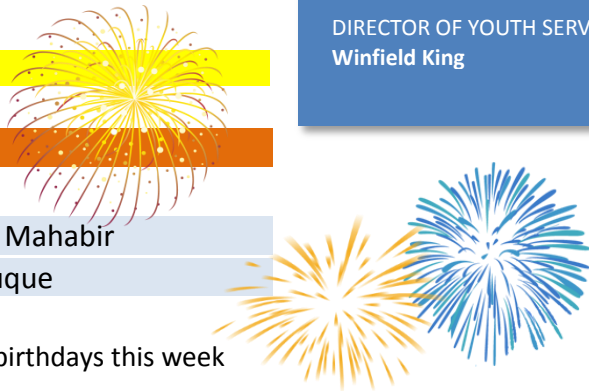
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MINI MUN SUMMER ACADEMY

The Mini Model United Nations (MUN) Summer Programme was designed to ensure that participating students would have gleaned a greater understanding of their options for careers in national, subregional, regional and international development and the work of development agencies based in Barbados. The sessions also focused on the interlinkages between careers in development and role of voluntary organisations such as Rotary International, in improving the quality of life of persons in communities in which they live and work across the globe.

The programme was open to participants from Rotaract and Interacts Clubs in Barbados as well as 2013 Mini Model United Nations participants, and students from secondary and tertiary level institutions.

The project was a joint effort between the three local Rotary clubs, Barbados, South and West. The idea was to introduce students to the opportunities available with the international organization operating in Barbados. By all accounts, Rotarians and participants agree the event was a resounding success.



HIGHLIGHTS FROM CLUB MEETING 22 JULY, 2014

The meeting continued the format of a Club Assembly and again 3 members of the new Board presented on upcoming plans for the new Rotary year. Presenters were Past President Michael McClean, who spoke on Vocational Service Plans, Rotarian Winfield King addressed Youth Services plans and Past President and Treasurer Frank Hunte presented the financial report. Summarized versions of each presentation follows.

Visit us, weekly meetings are held on Tuesdays at 6:30pm at Bagatelle Great House, Bagatelle, St. Thomas.



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VOCATIONAL SERVICE PLANS 2014– 2015

Vocational Excellence Service Awards

Rotary International reminds us that we can make an important contribution to vocational service by encouraging vocational excellence and the practice of high ethical standards in all occupations and to recognise those individuals who exemplify the Rotary ideal of service in the workplace.

Therefore, the club will continue with its vocational service award programme. During the vocational service month of October, the club will make presentations to two individuals who have records of a commitment and high achievement in their chosen vocation, which has been to the advancement of that vocation and the society. The presentation will take place during a regular club meeting. The media will be invited as well as two individuals closely associated with each awardee.

The aims of the award are:

- To recognise Vocational Excellence of the highest degree and to honour outstanding contributions by individuals for significant advancement in their vocational field in Barbados.
- To inspire further enthusiasm and to give added reward to the exceptional achievers.
- To set an example to others, particularly youth, of the need to pursue and strive for vocational excellence to the benefit of their discipline and to Barbados in general.
- To recognise outstanding achievement which may not have received some other public award or recognition.

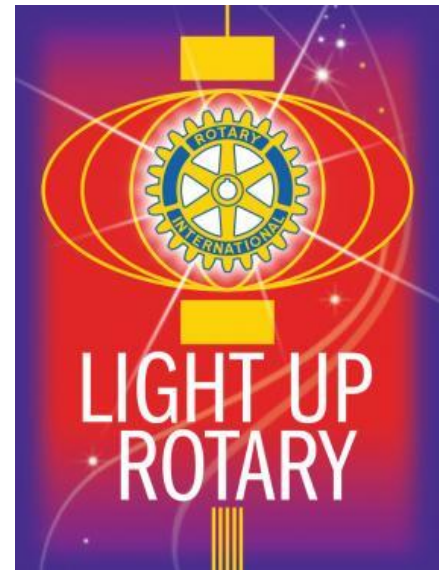
Rotary West Scholarship

As part of its philanthropic activities, the club has been awarding scholarships to individuals who have achieved university acceptance but due to financial challenges, and in the absence of such assistance could not proceed through the registration process.

The Scholarship Committee in conjunction with the Ministry of Education would usually evaluate applications received in response to advertisements. This evaluation is influenced by a number of specific factors which include:

- The applicant's academic record.
- Inability to finance university studies.
- Involvement in civic and charitable causes.

Literacy on Health Month





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Guest Vocational Speakers

Rotary West has always endeavoured to seek speakers who have interesting and informative presentations to enhance the club's mission of philanthropic giving. The club welcomes speakers who can enhance club awareness of service needs in our community or the national or international community at-large.

Career Seminars

The first steps into the work force are often the most confusing. Rotarians, as experienced business and professional leaders, are uniquely positioned to share career information with young people, to assist them in becoming prepared to enter the work force, and to provide the opportunity for short-term practical experience with different vocations – all the while emphasising the importance of ethical behavior.

In order to facilitate this process, Rotarians will attend 2 meetings of the Alexandra School Interact Club to discuss and provide guidance on career opportunities.

Literacy Award

For most of us, reading and writing are as natural as breathing. However, nearly 800 million adults worldwide lack the literacy skills needed to complete a job application, understand a child's report card, or read a prescription. Literacy is an essential ingredient for reducing poverty, improving health, encouraging community and economic development, and promoting peace.

Whether through volunteering time and expertise, providing financial support, or building awareness, we can empower people and communities through literacy. In this regard, the club will organise a public speaking or debate competition among the secondary schools in the north of the island. The winning team be awarded a trophy and the individual team members will each receive a miniature trophy.

Promote Rotary's Commitment to High Ethical Standards

One of the central goals of Vocational Service is to promote and advance Rotary's high ethical standards. One useful tool Rotarians have to assess these standards is the 4-Way Test, a nonpartisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships.



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Discussion on Ethics

Ethics deals with such questions at all levels. The subject's core consists of the fundamental issues of practical decision making, and its major concerns include the nature of ultimate value and the standards by which human actions can be judged right or wrong.

For Rotary, The Four-Way Test is the cornerstone of all action. It has been for years, and it will be in the future. However, the relevance of the 4-Way Test is seemingly coming under increasing scrutiny. The club therefore will host a discussion on the validity and relevance of the 4-Way Test in the 21st Century. There will be a guest moderator.

Classification Talks

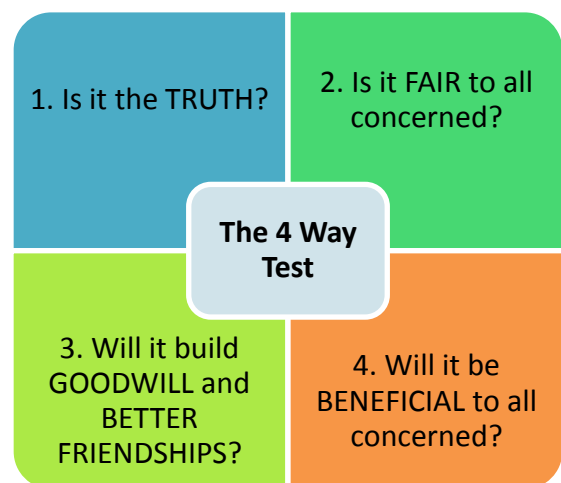
Classification talks are essential for promoting vocational awareness in our club. The presentations give members the chance to learn the inner workings of jobs other than their own, including the various problems that arise and the solutions used to address them.

Some of the more interesting talks are given by members whose occupations have been created recently in response to technological development or changes in society and the work place. Similarly, it is also informative to hear from members whose jobs are in the more traditional fields; they can shed some light on how changes have affected their professions and what steps were taken to adapt to changes in their field or place of business.

Senior members of Rotary West will therefore give repeat/update talks about their career. Some of the younger members would not have heard some of the more senior members spoken in this regard. Other members will speak about their profession.

FINANCING

Funding for the current scholarship recipients is estimated to be \$13,390, and will be financed through the Scholarship Fund. The balance of the Vocational Service programme is expected to cost \$1,250, and will be funded through the General Trust Fund account.





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YOUTH SERVICE PLANS 2014– 2015

Interact Club

Our Interact club was chartered during the Rotary Year 2013/14 year and is functioning well. There are currently 27 active members and it continues to grow. This club has undertaken a number of events in its first year, this has allowed them to attract membership. The teaching representatives working with the clubs are very enthusiastic which certainly keeps the club stable and focused.

Rotarians are rostered to attend these weekly meetings. Whilst the participation by Rotarians was not as anticipated; those who have attend these meeting, thoroughly enjoyed them and bring back great feedback on the positive work being undertaken.

Our budgeted expenses both in terms of assisting with project(s) and supporting the Interact club is estimated at \$2,500 for the 2014/15 period.

RYLA conference cost of \$2,000 for two Interactors.

Rotaract Club

Rotaract West was also established during the 2013/14 Rotary year and has been active in the community. The club will be responsible for generating and managing its revenue and expenses. There are two (2) possible areas where Rotary West may be called upon to assist:-

- Rotaractors are encouraged to visit the club and meet with members of their sponsor club and its executive. We will assist by paying 50% of the costs of meals – to a maximum of \$500 per annum.
- RYLA conferences – will have an estimated budget of \$4,300 for the attendance of two (2) Rotaractors.

Breakfast Club

Rotary West will continue to support the breakfast program at the Good Shepherd primary school. This program provides breakfast for 75 pupils on a daily basis. The initiative has been well received by the school and parents alike.

A Riddle for Rotarians

*Arnold Schwarzenegger has a big one.
Michael J. Fox has a small one.
Madonna doesn't have one.
The Pope has one but doesn't use it.
Clinton uses his all the time.
Mickey Mouse has an unusual one.
Liberace never used his on women.
Jerry Seinfeld is very, very proud of his.
Cher claims that she took on 3.
We never saw Lucy use Desi's...*



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The club currently funds the transportation of the meals to the school and the serving of these meals. This project is fully sponsored by donations of \$1,500 each per term from Summit Bank, St James Community Development Council and Terra Caribbean. As such no additional funding for this project is necessary unless one of our donors become unable to meet their commitment. Should that situation arise, we will seek a replacement donor.

Mini United Nations (MUN)

Currently the Rotary West participates in the MUN project in conjunction with the other Rotary clubs in Barbados. Resulting from the MUN, two students are normally sent to Trinidad to participate in there MUN project. This cost is split between the three Rotary clubs.

There is currently debate to include more schools into this program. This will have an impact on the level of spend provided by each club. At this stage we are uncertain of the cost and will seek approval from the club for the spend required when more information becomes available.

Literacy program

The club is currently working on a literacy program with the Good Shepherd primary school. Generally the club has small sum of money in the budget for ongoing maintenance of this project. I would therefore advise that \$500 be put to this project once again.

The board also has a proposal to provide an adult training exercise which would see Ms. Fergus provide training and coaching for the parents of the children with literacy challenges. This would allow these parents to assist with homework and other school related activities whilst the child is at home.

This project will take place during the summer holidays.

BUDGET 2014 - 2015

May be provided on request. Submit requests to the Editorial team or Club Secretary.

GUESTS & FINES

Joining us for club meeting were:

Guests

Marvin Beckles

Fines totaled \$110.



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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS & FACTS

POLIO VACCINATORS MAKE SIGNIFICANT HEADWAY IN NIGERIA

Nigeria is closer than ever to eradicating polio, riding a successful effort to reach children in seven northern states at highest risk for the disease.

"Rotarians have [gone] into remote areas of the country by car, canoe, motorbike, and even on foot to ensure every child gets the vaccine," says Rotary's Nigeria PolioPlus Committee Chair Tunji Funsho.

In Katsina state, members of the Nigeria PolioPlus Committee (NPPC) recently met with leaders of two communities notoriously opposed to immunization, mainly on religious grounds and in protest of the lack of basic health care. They persuaded the leaders to endorse vaccination by obtaining government assurance that mobile health camps would provide free checkups, medications, immunization against diseases besides polio, and other services.



To help Nigeria seize the opportunity to end polio this year, Rotary released \$7 million to the GPEI to fund immunization activities and research in the country. And business leader and philanthropist Sir Emeka Offor has contributed \$2.25 million to PolioPlus.

"The Nigerian government, now supported by the international community, is doing all that it can to eliminate the widespread violence, abductions, and terrorism," says Sir Emeka, a member of the Rotary Club of Awka GRA and Rotary's polio ambassador in Nigeria. "Peace would facilitate polio eradication, but we cannot sit by and wait until that time comes. We must do what we can to find ways to end polio now."

Read the full story and learn more at <https://www.rotary.org>

ROTARY FACT

In 1989, at its first meeting after the 1987 U.S. Supreme Court decision, the Council on Legislation votes to eliminate the requirement in the RI Constitution that membership in Rotary clubs be limited to men. Women are welcomed into Rotary clubs around the world.



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ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all things good
We thank thee for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve thee all our days

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF BARBADOS

In plenty and in time of need
When this fair land was young
Our brave forefathers sowed the seed
From which our pride is sprung
A pride that makes no wanton boast
Of what it has withstood
That binds our hearts from coast to coast
The pride of nationhood

We loyal sons and daughters all
Do hereby make it known
These fields and hill beyond recall
Are now our very own
We write our names on history's page
With expectations great
Strict guardians of our heritage
Firm craftsmen of our fate

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*Give us your feedback,
share your comments, ask
questions and provide
content, we would love to
hear from you.*



*Let's connect!
The Rotary Club of
Barbados West is now on
Facebook, join the
conversation.*

Riddle answer: **Last Name**

ROTARY HUMOUR

A lawyer was just waking up from anesthesia after surgery, and his wife was sitting by his side. His eyes fluttered open and he said, "You're beautiful!" and then he fell asleep again. His wife had never heard him say that so she stayed by his side.

A couple of minutes later, his eyes fluttered open and he said, "You're cute!" Well, the wife was disappointed because instead of "beautiful," it was now merely "cute." She asked, "What happened to 'beautiful'?" His replied, "The drugs are wearing off!"