









### District 7030

Chartered September 10, 1972 Meets on Wednesdays - 12:15 p.m. At Rotary House, Cnr. Sir Sydney Walling Highway & Nugent Ave., St. John's, Antiqua

Dear fellow Rotarians, I embarked on my road to Rotary thanks to George Campbell, a dear friend and mentor who taught me the importance of civic responsibility. My former boss saw a potential leader in me and I thank him for his guidance. After starting down that road, I met many other Rotarians walking the same path. They offered me their help, shared advice, and made sure I kept moving in the right direction.

I am the person I am today because of Rotary. To be a member of the Rotary family is to be a part of something much bigger than yourself. It means that you are a member of a diverse, worldwide team whose members together have provided extraordinary service to humanity. As we celebrate Membership Month this August, I hope you reflect not only on your road to Rotary, but also how to help set others down that road. As club and district leaders, you set the example for your fellow Rotarians as active, engaged members of our organization. You not only play an important role in inspiring current members, but also in attracting new ones. There is a potential Rotarian in anyone who cares about their community and strives to make the world a better place.



RI President John Germ Celebrating Membership Month

Finding a new member can be as simple as inviting someone you know to your next meeting or engaging Rotaractors and alumni.

Providing you with the materials to help cultivate and maintain membership is something Rotary is striving to do, now more than Člubs can use ever. Club Health new Rotary Check and Membership Assessment Tools to identify their prob-lem areas and develop strategies to address them. Also available is Impact Begins with You, a regionalized brochure for prospective members available on shop.rotary.org. As part of our Membership Month celebrations, Rotary is offering a 20% discount on orders of this prospective member brochure (up to 20 packs of 5) through August 31.

The membership flexibility legislation approved during the 2016 Council on Legislation provides clubs with the freedom to determine how meetings are held, who is invited to join, and what defines engagement,

which can help them grow into vibrant, successful clubs. You can read more about what some Rotary clubs are doing here. There are also new videos on membership flexibility that help better define and explain what clubs can now do, which are available here.

I hope that on 11 August, at 10 a.m. Chicago time, you and your fellow Rotarians will be able to join me and Rotary Vice-President Jennifer Jones for a Facebook Live video chat. We'll be talking about the importance of membership and taking questions. More information is available on my Facebook page.

This Membership Month, I want you all to remember that you are helping build a team that can and will strengthen your local community and make the world a better place for all who live in it, because Together Everyone Achieves More. Thank you again for all that you do for your clubs and districts, and that you will continue to do all you can to be part of Rotary Serving Humanity.

Sincerely. John F. Germ Rotary International President, 2016-17

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### **MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB** DEVELOPMENT **MONTH-August**

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#### **OFFICERS 2016-2017**

President Evangeline Allen Vice President Ato Kentish Secretary Adekunle Osoba Treasurer Shamarie Spencer Director Ira Charles Director Eric Joseph Director Denise Armstrong **PRO** Nicole Hunte Sergeant-at-Arms Wilbur Harrigan IP President Sharon Cordner President Elect Eric Joseph RI President

John Germ

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Asst. Governor

District Governor

### 20 Reasons to Join A Rotary Club

- 1. The Opportunity to Serve
- 2. Friendship
- 3. Business Development
- 4. Personal Growth
- 5. Leadership Development
- 6. Community
- 7. Continuing Education
- 8. Fun
- 9. Public Speaking Skills
- 10. Citizenship in the World
- 11. Travel Assistance
- 12. Entertainment
- 13. Develop Social Skills
- 14. Next Generation Programs
- 15. Vocational Skills
- 16. Ethics Reinforcement
- 17. Cultural Awareness
- 18. Prestige
- 19. Nice People
- 20. No "official creed"

# Rotary





## HOW TO CREATE A MY ROTARY ACCOUNT





Past President Paul Ryan, Current Training Officer addressing Members on the benefits of creating My Rotary Account while introducing his presenter, IPP Dr. Sharon Cordner.





Immediate Past President Dr. Sharon Cordner on the three step approach to 'My Rotary'.



Club of Antigua





Meet our Club Treasurer, Joanna 'Shamarie' Spencer

### Q. Tell us briefly about Shamarie.

A. I am a 31 year well rounded young woman who by nature loves to give back to my community and enjoy touching the lives of others. I consider myself fair and honest. I enjoy meeting new people and experiencing new things in life. I live by the motto "it is what it is" where I have no expectations so I will never be disappointed in another persons actions.

### Q. What exactly is Rotary and what do they do?

A. Rotary is a well respected non profit organization located world wide serving communities

### Q. When did you join Rotary?

A. I joined the club in September 2015.

### Q. Were you a member of a Service Club prior to joining Rotary?

A. Rotaract Club, Circle K and Junior Achievement.

### Q. How has the transition from Rotaract to Rotary been?

A. Being a Rotaractor has made the transition very smooth. Rotary is just a bit more formal, however having experience in Rotaract especially serving in all Avenues of Service as well as President has given me ample experience to understand what the values and aims of the organisation are. Also the familiar faces have also made it welcoming for me. So overall pretty awesome!

### Q. In retrospect, would you have chosen Rotary over any other Service Club, considering they are all Service Clubs?

A. No I think Rotary is the Best and more so Rotary Club of Antigua has been my only thought since on Rotaract.

#### Q. Do you hold a position on the Board? If yes, tell us about it.

A. I am currently serving as the Treasurer and enjoying every moment of it. I enjoy being held accountable as I try at all times to be responsible and efficient in any task which I am assigned.

#### Q. Describe your Rotary Minute?

A. My Rotary minute did not occur necessarily when I was a Rotarian but rather as a Rotaractor participating in the monthly Meals and Wheels program. I remember one Saturday after the packing was completed Rotarian Past President Phillip took me with him to do his deliveries. We visited homes in the Point and Grays Farm areas and I was shocked out of my life at the conditions persons were living. It surely pained my heart and just the gratitude on their faces made me feel so proud to be a part of such organisation which is able to . touch someone's heart that deep.

Club of Antiqua





Meet our Club Treasurer, Joanna 'Shamarie' Spencer

### Q. The consensus out there is Rotary is for old people. How would change that and convince the young folks to become a member?

A. I think that problem does not really exist in Antigua as the two clubs on island are pretty young in terms of their membership. I think the misconception is that you have to be rich or have your own business and you must be a professional. There are a lot of young persons who would love to join however I think that they may think it is an arm and a leg. It would be good to do a recruitment drive or more so an informational open night

### Q. Where do you see yourself in the Club within the near future?

A. I would love to one day become the President of this prestigious organization and implement my vision for this Cub. However in the nearer future I would love to serve as Cub Secretary to properly understand the Rotary movement and get into the processes and procedures.

Thank you Treasurer Shamarie and remember the sky is the limit. Good luck in your future endeavours!





### Directors Reporting



PP Denise Armstrong being pinned as Director - Foundation above and presenting her report below.....Look out for our Gala Cocktail in November!



Rotarian Amaya Athill, Director - New Generations!





President Elect Eric Joseph, Director - Service Projects!

## Fun! Food! Fellowship! Rotary Club of Antigua, Rotaractors and Rotary Club of Antigua Sundown!



Some members preferred the air conditioned comfort.



The Sarge is on Point. First person to arrive.



FUN! FOOD! FELLOWSHIP!



ETHIOP!

No one will forget the Drummer, Mr. Straker!



Club Service Director, Rotaractor Oliver .....A whole bottle of English Harbour??!!!



Paying Attention!!!!



Mr. Samuel Nicholas, Educator and Poet.



Always depend on PP Cordel for those funnies! This time...'3 Drunks in a Taxi!'



Welcome Partners in Service Miriam and Lea. Lea isn't hungry or is she waiting to be served?!



Congrats to RCA Sundown PP Kevin's Partner in Service, Jacqui for winning the Raffle!



It's all about Taboo! Fun! Fun! Fun!







Returning member, Dr. Carl Roberts pinned. Welcome back Rotarian Carl! Do your thing!



PP Arthur addressed the Club on his experience with the Soccer Team in Barcelona.





And the Raffle Prize winner is....
PP Salem Khouly!





he Antigua and Barbuda Bureau of Standards was established by the Standards Act of 1989 (Cap 411 Revised Laws of Antigua and Barbuda). The Act established the Antiqua and Barbuda Bureau of Standards as a body corporate, the Antiqua and Barbuda Standards Council as the governing body for the Bureau and mandated the Bureau to prepare, promote and maintain standards for goods, services, processes and practices. It also gave the Director the authority to declare voluntary standards and gave the authority to declare mandatory standards to the Minister with responsibility for the Bureau. The Standards Act Cap 411 dealt mainly with documentary standards.

Measurement standards were regulated in accordance with the Weights and Measures Act 1918 – with some amendments through the years, including one which made the Metric System a legal system of measurement for use in Antigua and Barbuda. Under the Weights and Measures Act 1918 the responsibility for maintenance of the national measurement standards was the Comptroller of Customs and the responsibility of implementation of the Act and any accompanying regulations and associated legislation was the Royal Police Force of Antigua and Barbuda.

In the mid-1990's major changes begun to take place in the world trade arena. The WTO came into being, several bilateral and multilateral trade agreements were being negotiated. Tariff barriers were falling and non-tariff barriers were increasingly being used by the industrialized, developed countries to regulate trade. Developing countries had to get their national standards bodies established and functioning. As signatories to the WTO Technical Barriers to Trade Agreement we were now focused on Standards, Technical Regulations and Conformity Assessment Procedures as opposed to voluntary and mandatory standards. The measurement arena has also evolved from Weights and Measures to Metrology - the science of measurement and its associated infrastructure including the establishment and maintenance of the national measurement standards. Not to be confused with Meteorology which is the study of the atmosphere and its phenomena, especially with weather and weather forecasting



**Guest Speaker** Mrs. Dianne Lalla-Rodrigues Director Antigua and Barbuda Bureau of Standards

In the ensuing years the Bureau evolved a quality infrastructure organisation - building capacity and providing services in all elements of a national quality infrastruc- provide quality products and services. ture. In order to address this paradigm shift, the Standards Act is currently being reviewed and a Metrology Act, transferring Weights and Measures activities to the Bureau, and expanding the requisite measurement capabilities from just legal metrology (mandated by law) to industrial, chemical and scientific was gazetted and will shortly be enacted.

Initially Bureaux of Standards were set up as regulatory agencies with the main aim of protecting the consumer. With the changing trade environment, globalisation and developments in technology the Bureau's function while still maintaining a consumer protection aspect is now also aimed at supporting businesses and protecting the environment. The capabilities developed and the services provided by the Bureau are all aimed at improving the quality of goods and services produced locally - with the intention of increasing market access, competitiveness and protecting the environment. They are also aimed at ensuring the quality of goods and services which are imported with the aim of protecting the consumer, preventing dumping and protecting the envi-

As a result, the standards and the service capabilities developed by the Bureau are demand driven and market oriented - they are heavily based on the needs of our stakeholders. Our standards development work programme was developed in consultation with the stakeholders. This consultation also determined the national technical committees. which were established as well as the international and regional standards development committees in which we participate. In the next few weeks we will be conducting a Metrology SWOT Analysis and a demand survey of the national metrology needs - this will allow us to develop a national metrology policy and determine what are the testing and measurement capabilities which we need to develop to support trade, commerce and industry.

Earlier this year we completed our 2016-2019 Strategic Plan and began the implementation of an ISO 9001 Quality Managefrom being just a standards setting body to ment System. We are currently finalizing a Marketing and Communications plan and the implementation of a Knowledge Management Standardization, Metrology, Conformity System. All these programmes are aimed at Assessment and Laboratory Accreditation – supporting our stakeholders in their guest to

> In recognition of the achievements of our stakeholders the Bureau is currently spearheading the development of a national quality awards scheme which we hope to launch before the end of 2016. I encourage you to continue to support the work of the Bureau we cannot do it alone; we need your expertise. I also ask that you demand of the policymakers that they provide the resources needed for the Bureau to fulfil its mandate.

> In closing, I say thanks to the President and Members (particularly Dr Vanetta Rodgers) of the Rotary Club for recognising the importance of the work of the Bureau and inviting us to make this presentation. And, I wish the Club every success as you continue to serve the public of Antigua and Barbuda.

## Celebration-Time







Past President Esau Mansoor 34 Years of Service Above Self







Twin Celebration!
PP Arthur Thomas (L), PP Gordon Julien (R)

### Congrats To All the Celebrants! Member Birthdays

Member Birthdays Rotarian Renee Williams (10th) PP Gordon Julien (23rd) PP Arthur Thomas (23rd) PP/PAG Errol Samuel (29th)

**Partner in Service Birthdays** Mr. Alfred Brazier (17th)

Wedding Anniversaries Rotarian Sherrie-Ann Brazier and partner in Service, Alfred (2nd)

Club Anniversaries PP Esau Mansoor (1st) - 34 yrs PP Cordel Josiah (8th) - 16 yrs



### Service Above Self

The Rotary motto conveys the humanitarian spirit of the organization's more than 1.2 million members. Strong fellowship among Rotarians and meaningful community and international service projects characterize Rotary worldwide.

### Rotary ( )

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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:

- 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 by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- 3 The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life;
- 4 The advancement of international understanding, good will, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the ideal of service.

### **PRAYER**

Oh God, for the freedom of thought and peace, the love of friends and family, and the opportunity for service through our Rotary Fellowship, we give You thanks. Bless this food for our use and accept our gratitude for Your great gifts. Amen.

Reverend Gordon Patterson Fairmont Rotary

### **Rotary Mission**

#### **OUR MISSION**

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

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### NATIONAL ANTHEM 1st Stanza

Fair Antigua and Barbuda
We thy sons and daughters stand,
Strong and firm in peace or danger
To safe guard our native land,
We commit ourselves to building
A true nation brave and free.
Ever striving, ever seeking
Dwell in love and unity.

