



CRANBERRY *Chronicles*





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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Two, three, Cranberries!

Welcome to the first issue of the Rotaract Club of Barbados' "Cranberry Chronicles". This issue is meant to be an introduction to the Board of Directors and Support Members for the Rotary International Year 2019-2020.

I found it necessary to empower and highlight the positive work done by our members that is not necessarily Rotary related via a semi-permanent platform.

RI President Mark Maloney challenged all of us to connect the world; but in order to do so, we must first connect with each other on a club level. Cheers to continued successes as we go on this level up journey, together.

Yours in Rotaract Service,

Kareem French

Captain & Level Up Pioneer





A WORD FROM YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBOURHOOD SECRETARY

I am so honoured and excited to introduce you to our first edition of "**Cranberry Chronicles**"!

In this world filled with a greater demand for information in an increasingly technological space, our aim is to add to the Rotary brand, expand our reach and to keep you, our members, informed and excited!

In this edition we are pleased to celebrate the start of the 2019/2020 R.I. Year and to introduce you to our 2019-2020 Board of Directors and their Support Members.

This issue also features someone who is very near and dear to us and without whose support we could not be the club we are today. Look out for other fun updates and celebrations inside!

I must admit, when President Kareem approached me to spearhead his brainchild, I was terrified (and excited). I wanted to do it and I wanted us to do it well, and now that it's here I could not be more proud!

To our Secretariat- **Congratulations on our first issue! WE DID IT!**

This is just the beginning... Time to **#LevelUp!**

Yours In Rotaract,

Danielle C. Gonawa

Secretary | **Rotaract Club of Barbados** | 2019-2020





CRANBERRY BIRTHDAYS & CRANNIVERSARIES



An ice cream is a sweetened frozen food typically eaten as a snack or dessert. Our members are also too sweet and too cute. Join us on Sunday 29th September to celebrate with the following members at our quarterly birthday social:

- **JUL 02** PP Shelly-Ann Sealey
- **JUL 03** HM Alana Brooks
- **JUL 05** Rtr. Jabari Bovell
- **JUL 16** HM Errolyn Hurley
- **JUL 19** PM Marwin Bynoe



PAUL HARRIS FELLOW IN THE MIX

BY DIRECTOR HAYLEE SHAW

ROTARIAN MAKONEM HURLEY is the Youth Service Director (YSD) of our sponsor club, the Rotary Club of Barbados. Among many other functions, his job as YSD entails supporting the Rotaract Club of Barbados [and our sister club the Rotaract Club of UWI Cave Hill] with its organizational and administrative duties, sharing wise advice to ensure that Rotaract projects and events run smoothly and providing a watchful eye and support to the members, directors and executive of our Board.

In short, for Rotaractors in this big family known as Rotary International, YSD Makonem is akin to that “big cousin” that everyone at the family function knows, loves and respects. Anyone can talk to him with ease, run a joke with him or look to him for advice and wisdom. Needless to say, if you’re a Rotaractor and you have not been acquainted with Makonem, we encourage you to fix that soon!

Besides all that he is and does for the RaCOB (and other Rotaract clubs in Barbados), YSD Makonem is an exemplary Rotarian, and most recently, a recipient of the what can be deemed the most prestigious accolade for a Rotarian - the **Paul Harris Fellow Recognition**.

PAUL P. HARRIS is the founder of Rotary International and this recognition is named in his honour. At the end of each year our sponsor club, allows the outgoing President to recognize two persons who they believe have gone above and beyond and have displayed true **service above self**, to the club and the wider community with a Paul Harris Fellow Recognition.

A request for a person to be recognised as a Paul Harris Fellow can be made when USD \$1,000.00 is contributed to **The Rotary Foundation**. This Foundation is a non-profit corporation that supports the efforts of Rotary International to achieve world understanding and peace, through international humanitarian, educational, and cultural exchange programs. This recognition may be bestowed on a Rotarian or an outstanding member of the community, who is not a Rotarian.

This, however, does not mean that The Paul Harris Fellow Recognition can be purchased.

Rotary Clubs worldwide seek to bestow the recognition upon individuals who have provided long and meritorious service to their community and who have fulfilled the ideals of Rotary International. In many cases, the Rotary Club seeking to confer the recognition makes the \$1,000.00 contribution (in the intended recipient’s name) to Rotary International to continue its humanitarian work worldwide.

On the evening of **July 6, 2019**, The Rotary Club of Barbados deemed YSD Makonem deserving of the **Paul Harris Fellow Recognition** (and if it were up to us, we would too). When asked what he credited his recognition to, YSD Makonem simply stated by being the best Rotarian he could be – which meant always being ready, willing and able to serve, and by giving his time, effort and energy wherever and whenever it was needed – with the prospect of recognition being the furthest thing from his mind.

While YSD Makonem is deeply honored to have been recognized as a Paul Harris Fellow, he remains **inspired yet humble** and **steadfastly committed** to continuing to be the best Rotarian he can be, in all regards.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



KAREEM FRENCH

Role:
President

Induction Date:
December 2015

Fun Fact:
Previously hosted his very own web-series called "The Frenchie Show"



ZAHIR JACKSON

Role:
Vice President

Induction Date:
June 2017

Fun Fact:
"I prefer to hug than shake hands with people"



DANIELLE DONAWA

Role:
Secretary

Induction Date:
April 2018

Fun Fact:
Loves the arts and works part-time with a local production company

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



SHAUNTÉ CARTER

Role:
Treasurer

Induction Date:
August 2018

Fun Fact:
"I am an adventurous person."



MARIO BOYCE

Role:
Immediate Past President; DRRN

Induction Date:
June 2016

Fun Fact:
"I am a NIFCA Culinary Arts Silver Medallist."



RASHIDA PRESCOD

Role:
President-Elect

Induction Date:
March 2018

Fun Fact:
"I like foreign language television and movies even though I don't speak any languages other than English and Bajan."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



SCOTT CHANDLER

Role:
Assistant Secretary

Induction Date:
March 2018

Fun Fact:
"My ultimate vacation is to spend at least six months in Japan learning the art of the samurai."



CRYSTAL WAITHE

Role:
Club Trainer

Induction Date:
June 2018

Fun Fact:
"I used to play piano and steel pan."



HAYLEE SHAW

Role:
Director - Public Relations

Induction Date:
October 2017

Fun Fact:
"If I did not do Law I would have gone to Art School"

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



AKEEM SPENCER

Role:
Director - Club Service

Induction Date:
August 2018

Fun Fact:
"I don't eat ham at Christmas or pork in general... but I LOVE bacon."



ANDRÉ SEALE

Role:
Assistant Director - Club Service

Induction Date:
June 2018

Fun Fact:
"I am really a very shy person."



JOELEITA AGARD

Role:
Committee Secretary - Club Service

Induction Date:
April 2019

Fun Fact:
"I love to garden"

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



DAREN FORDE

Role:
Director - Community Service

Induction Date:
August 2018

Fun Fact:
Loves cricket more than (almost) anything



MARIO MURRAY

Role:
Assistant Director - Community Service

Induction Date:
December 2015

Fun Fact:
Completed one year of vocal training, is self-taught on the keyboard and is currently learning to play bass guitar



ZACHARY MCCOLLIN

Role:
Committee Secretary - Community Service

Induction Date:
January 2019

Fun Fact:
"I was the 2005 'Egg and Spoon' Champion at Charles F. Broome House Sports #greenhouse #besthouse."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



SHAKIRA HALL

Role:
Deputy Treasurer

Induction Date:
October 2017

Fun Fact:
"I am deathly afraid of spiders and heights, but I love to fly."



POSHA DOYLE

Role:
Committee Secretary - Finance and Fundraising

Induction Date:
June 2019

Fun Fact:
"I am passionate about Culinary Arts and I possess an Associate Degree in this field."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



SHANIECE DAVIS

Role:
Director - International Service

Induction Date:
November 2018

Fun Fact:
"Events that have food give me more motivation to attend."



CURTIS FORDE

Role:
Assistant Director - International Service

Induction Date:
November 2018

Fun Fact:
Enjoys eating biscuits and sardines



KEMI LINTON

Role:
Committee Secretary - International Service

Induction Date:
N/A

Fun Fact:
"My name, Kemi, is African meaning 'cherished and precious'."

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND SUPPORT MEMBERS 2019-2020



ROBYN WEEKES

Role:
Director - Professional Development

Induction Date:
June 2018

Fun Fact:
"Eu sou fluente em português"
("I am fluent in Portuguese")



SASKIA SPENCER

Role:
Assistant Director - Professional Development

Induction Date:
January 2018

Fun Fact:
"I love travelling and experiencing new cultures,
specifically for the food, music and unique
attractions."



VICKI ESTWICK

Role:
Committee Secretary - Professional Development

Induction Date:
June 2019

Fun Fact:
"I love target shooting and have fired 8-10
different firearms so far."

COMING UP...

SERVICE SATURDAYS



July 20, 2019: Service Saturdays #1- Nature Fun
Ranch Takeover



INTERNATIONAL DAYS SERIES

July 30, 2019: International Days Series- International
Day of Friendship



Thank you for Reading

Look out for our next issue on August 1, 2019

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