



ROTA NEWS



April 02, 2020

Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

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R.I Theme 2019-20

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PDG David Edwards



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?

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

Hilton Barbados

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,

St. Michael

at 12:30 p.m.

P.O. Box 148B, Brittons Hill,
St. Michael, Barbados

www.clubrunner.ca/barbados

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING
ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798

RI THEME: ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD



Today (Apr 02) we will have a
Presentation on the
Financial Impact of Covid-19.

1.) Attendance for March 26 - 56%

2.) The Grace which was provided via Zoom.

OH LORD AND GIVER OF ALL THINGS GOOD, WE THANK
THEE FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO ENJOY FEL-
LOWSHIP VIA THIS MEDIUM.

WE ASK YOUR BLESSING ON THE PARTICIPANTS.
WE INVITE YOU TO ENTER THE THOUGHTS OF THE VARI-
OUS PRESENTERS AND ENABLE THEM TO MAKE MEAN-
INGFUL CONTRIBUTIONS.
AS PARTICIPANTS, HELP US TO CONTINUE TO BE BETTER
ROTARIANS BY BEING CONSTANTLY MINDFUL OF THE
OBJECTS OF ROTARY.
WE ALSO PRAY THAT THE CHALLENGE CURRENTLY BEING
POSED BY COVID-19 WILL SOON BE SURMOUNTED.
ALL THESE THINGS WE ASK THROUGH CHRIST OUR LORD,
AMEN.

APRIL DESIGNATION IS



TAKE ACTION: Join a Project



Rotary Meeting on Zoom "A First"

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, our Club met on-line for the first time in its history. Approximately 70 persons attended, including Rotarians, Rotaractors, and guests. Thank you to those who attended. Thanks to all Rotarians for downloading the **Zoom App** ahead of time and for signing in early for the call. It was a huge help. Special thanks to Secretary Ermine and PDG David for managing the process. All in all it was a good first call.

Today is our second call. Remember our **GROUND RULES**.

BE ON TIME: If you are late, please remain silent and catch up as best as you can.

CHOOSE A QUIET LOCATION: Please minimize distracting background noise such as radio & TV.

MUTE YOUR MICROPHONE: Use the mute button when you are not speaking. The moderator can also place you on mute, if necessary.

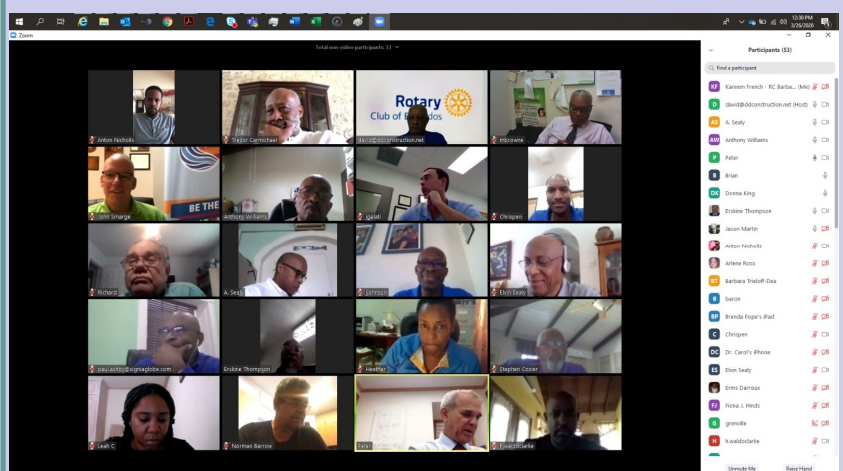
BE PATIENT: This is a new experience so please be patient with others on the call.

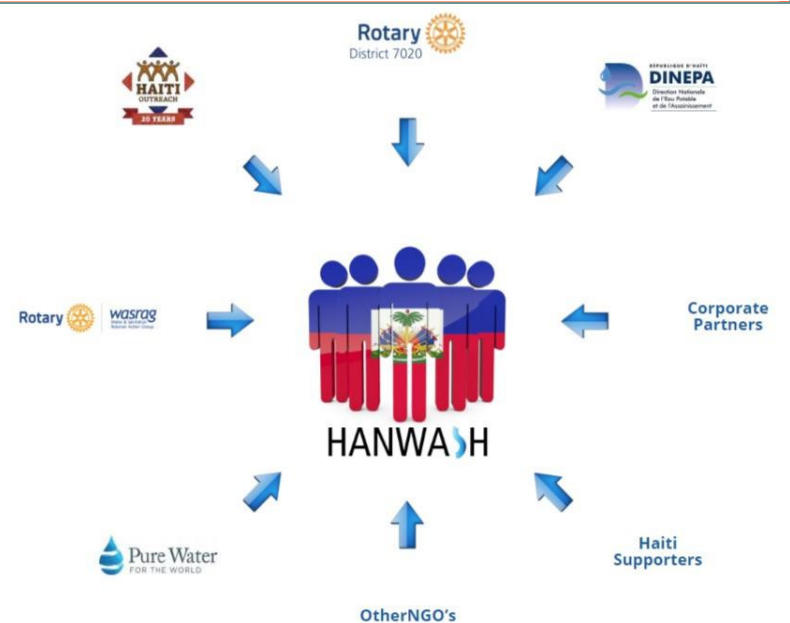
WAIT TO BE INVITED TO SPEAK: Please use the "Raise Hand" feature in Zoom to let the moderator know that you would like to speak. Please don't interrupt the conversation.

IDENTIFY YOURSELF: Before you start to speak, please state your name.

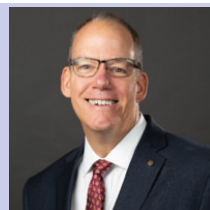
STICK TO THE AGENDA: Please stick to the agenda so that we can complete our meeting on time and in an orderly manner.

While we will miss our regular luncheon meetings, it is important that we stay connected and maintain our fellowship during this period of isolation and working from home. Log in to Zoom at 12:20 p.m. for a prompt start at 12:30 p.m. See you then!





John Smarge Presentation on Haitian Hanwash Project



We were honored to have PDG John Smarge of the Rotary Club of Naples speak to the Club about the Hanwash Programme at last Thursday's on-line Zoom meeting. John served as President of the Rotary Club of Naples in 1992-93 and as DG for District 6960 for the year 1995-96. He was a member of the RI Board in 2010-12, Chairman of the Executive Committee, 2011-12, and served as Aide to RI President, Barry Rassin in 2018-19.

HANWASH stands for Haiti National Clean Water, Sanitation and Health Strategy: a collaborative initiative by Rotary District 7020, The Rotary Foundation and DINEPA (The Haitian Government's National Water and Sanitation Agency). Hanwash is committed to providing thoughtfully managed and sustainable clean water and sanitation to all the citizens of Haiti, along with the associated health, community and economic benefits.

John outlined Rotary's role in the programme, a collaborative effort with the local Rotary Clubs, and emphasized that it was not a short term project, but a long term commitment to bring potable water and sanitation to Haitian communities. He spoke of the structure of the programme, creating assessment tools and action plans for each of the communities. For each intervention, the HANWASH team will ensure that the infrastructure is technically sound, safely managed and revenue positive. John reported that payments for service in one of the first projects had quickly reached above 60% of those served, and was projected to reach over 80%. Revenues will flow back into the programme to ensure that the systems are maintained and that new communities can benefit.

Funding is being provided through a combination of phased Global Grants from the Rotary Foundation and the local Rotary Clubs. In closing, John invited our Club and any individual Rotarian that wished to do so, to contribute financially to the programme.



Barbados Covid-19 Essentials Relief Effort 'Stronger Together'

The **COVID-19 pandemic** is impacting the world in a way that has not been experienced in modern times. Apart from the health implications and wellbeing of our friends and families, there will be an economic impact on the livelihoods of many Barbadians who will find it difficult to afford even their basic needs.

The Rotary Club of Barbados, through its charitable fund, Rotary Trust Fund Projects Inc., has partnered with like-minded citizens led by Monique Archer, to mobilize the distribution of essential food items and supplies to support Barbadians most impacted economically by Covid-19. We are conscious that the Government of Barbados has announced the creation of the Barbados Adopt Our Families Programme and are of the view that our role will complement the Government's initiative.

The Covid-19 Essentials team has identified suppliers willing to provide items at cost or discount for a basic 'basket of goods' to be delivered to families in need. Each basket of items will cost approximately BB\$200 and the goal is to provide 150 baskets weekly in the initial stages and increase as the need arises and funds are available. We will work with well established charitable organizations, such as the **Salvation Army** and the **Barbados Red Cross**, who already have mechanisms for the distribution of these goods and the means to identify those persons impacted by the pandemic through loss of work. These organizations will follow proper protocols to avoid spreading the virus.

Rotary's main role will be to receive funds from donors. We are inviting Rotarians who wish to do so, to support this initiative and help alleviate hardship and suffering by giving generously. You can make the donation to the Rotary Trust Fund Projects Inc. at the following bank account.

Account Name: Rotary Trust Fund Projects
Address: 61 Grand View Cliffs, The Mount, St. George
Bank: Scotiabank, Broad Street, Bridgetown
Bank Branch #: 40055
Account Number: 9008685

You can execute a bank to bank transfer from your account direct to the account. You will need to provide details of the transfer as it does not always show on the statement and the bank does not provide notification. Rotarians donating \$200 or more and who wish to utilize the donation as a tax deduction will need to inform PP Ron so that he can upload the information to your BRA TAMIS account. Details should be sent via email to PP Ron Davis at ron@luxecaribbeanproperties.com.

Several Rotarians are helping with this initiative, including PDG David Edwards, PP Elvin Sealy, Treasurer Meryl Stoute, Director Heather Tull, Rtn. Jeff Evelyn, Rtn. Barbara Trieloff-Deane, and President Peter. Should you have any queries you can contact PDG David Edwards or President Peter Williams.

RI President Mark Maloney's Monthly Message



March is the month we celebrate Rotaract — and this has been quite a year for our young partners in service.

Last spring, the Council on Legislation elevated Rotaract in our constitution: Rotary International is now the association of both Rotary clubs and Rotaract clubs. Then in October, the Rotary Board of Directors eliminated the artificial Rotaract age limit and took other steps to break down barriers that were preventing Rotaract from growing in some parts of the world.

These steps were long overdue, because Rotaract is a vision of what Rotary must become. Not only do we need to open our doors to our young colleagues, but we also have to open our ears and minds to the Rotary experience they find most engaging. That is one of the best ways we will meaningfully grow Rotary.

When I say grow Rotary, I mean it in many ways. We need to grow our service and to grow the impact of our projects. Most importantly, however, we need to grow our membership, so that we can achieve more. Rotaractors provide this opportunity, not only because they can transition to Rotary at the time that is right for them, but also because they understand what it will take to attract others like them.

Business as usual will not work for us anymore. Bringing in more members to replace the ones we lose is not the answer. It is like pouring more water into a bucket full of holes. We need to address the root causes of member loss in many parts of the world: member engagement that is not what it should be, and our member demographic that skews steadily older.

It is time to make some fundamental changes. We already know what the barriers are to an engaged and diverse membership. It is time to act on what we know: creating new membership models, opening new paths to Rotary membership, and building new Rotary and Rotaract clubs where the existing clubs do not meet a current need.

New club models represent an opportunity to connect with a more diverse group of individuals — particularly those who are unable or unwilling to join our traditional clubs. While new club models have been emerging for some time, it is up to district governors to make them a reality. In January at the International Assembly, our incoming district governors took part in an exercise called Build Your Own Club Model. It was a wonderful experience that put them in the right frame of mind for the work ahead.

Ultimately, however, it will be up to Rotaractors and young Rotarians to create new club models that are most meaningful to the next generation. We may think we know what young people want from Rotary clubs in the future, but I am confident that what young people say will surprise us. It will be our job to support their innovation, for it will help us grow Rotary as *Rotary Connects the World*.

March 2020
Mark Daniel MALONEY, President, Rotary International

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.

A Message from PDG Tony Watkins On Diabetes Projects in District 7030

One of the two special projects that the District Governor is focussing on in this Rotary year is the **Prevention and Management of Diabetes**. It is our hope that your club will see it possible to adopt this project. In Rotary Year 2010-11, our District was involved in such a project and more than 40 clubs participated.

Since the late 1960's we have witnessed a transition from a disease pattern dominated by infectious disease to one in which chronic non-communicable diseases (NCDs) is out front. Diabetes is one of the leading NCDs. Diabetes is best defined as a group of disorders characterised by reduced secretion/ altered sensitivity to insulin with sustained elevation of blood glucose levels. Diabetes is associated with long term damage dysfunction and failure of organs, especially eyes, kidneys, blood vessels of the heart, brain and limbs. The primary causes are dietary change and reduced activity.

Statistics show that here in the Caribbean the number of deaths attributable to diabetes continues to rise. In fact, the worst region in the world in percentage terms is North America and the Caribbean. All of the District 7030 countries have a comparative prevalence higher than the average for the world of 6.4% with several Caribbean countries almost double that.

So what can you do as a Rotary Club? The objectives now are no different than the ones proposed in 2010-11.

1. Increase public awareness in relation to diabetes by a PR and education campaign.
2. Advocacy programme lobbying governments to pay more attention to diabetes prevention.
3. Promotion of a diabetes foot care programme.

A Rotarian in Trinidad who is passionate about the prevention of diabetes Zobi Ragbirsingh has been elected to the International Diabetes Federation. She shared that in Trinidad now several Rotary clubs are involved in a project called DEAPS (Diabetes Education Awareness in Primary Schools).

The District Governor looks forward to hearing from all clubs what action you are (will be) doing in this important project. This news with photos will be shared through the District Newsletter.

PDG Tony Watkins -Chair District 7030 Special Project Committee on the Prevention and Management of Diabetes.

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

- Beverly Morris—PP Bobby Morris— 51yrs— Apr 05

Birthday - Rotarians

- Rtn. Anton Nicholls — Apr 08

Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- Gillian Applewhaite— PP Paul Ashby— Apr 02
- Deidre Ishmael— PP Jerry Ishmael— Apr 04
- Lorna Browne— AG Ivan Browne— Apr 06

Join Date Anniversary

- PP Orville Durant— 37yrs— Apr 07

OBJECT OF ROTARY

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:

FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity of service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition and the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life; and

FOURTH: The advancement of the international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world of fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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