



ROTA NEWS



Rotary Opens Opportunities

R.I. Theme 2020-21

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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?

Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

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3RD DECEMBER 2020

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Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

Hilton Barbados

(Hybrid Meetings via Zoom from Aug 6, 2020 to present)

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,

St. Michael

at 12:30 p.m.

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

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING
ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

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

RI THEME: ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES



Today our club meeting recognizes Rotary Trust Fund Day.

Our Greeters for today are Rtn. Gregory Woods and PP. Brenda Pope.

Our Zoom meeting Moderator will be PDG David.

OUR GUESTS — Meeting Held On 26TH November 2020

- John Beale – Guest Speaker – RCoB
- Kaye Holder- Rowe – Guest of Rtn. Winston Warren
- Nikita Gibson – Guest of Rtn. Diana Douglin
- Michael Mercer – Guest of Rtn. Neal Griffith
- Oliver Jordan – Guest of Rtn. Neal Griffith

Visiting Rotarians:

- Rotaractor Shaunte Carter—RaCOB
- Rotaractor Scott Chandler —RaCOB

Housekeeping:

- Attendance — 56%.
- Fines Collected — \$126.10 BBD
- Raffle proceeds — \$84.00 BBD

The raffle was won by Rtn. Malcolm Vaughn. He graciously presented to guest Kaye Holder- Rowe.

Club Meeting—26th November 2020

Guest Speaker – Honorary Consul for Belize in Barbados and former Ambassador to the USA, John Beale, spoke on “Issues Facing Barbados in a Global Context”.

Welcome to Meeting #20

By President Fiona

The National Anthem was led by PP Tony Williams

Prayers were said by the members

SAA Randy welcomed the Guests

Prayers were offered for Rtn. Anthony Shaw on the passing of his mother, Gloria.

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Club Meeting—26th November 2020

Guest Speaker:

Introduction by PP Tony Williams
(pictured on the right).



Mr Beale gave a wide ranging presentation on the challenges facing Barbados and the possible solutions to alleviate the problems.

He cautioned that there were no “quick fixes.”

In the context of Independence in 1966 he posited that we were all “drunk on the emotion of being independent which was also mirrored in the UK with getting rid of another colony which was not as economically viable as in the past.”



Mr. Beale as he Presented to the club

Challenges:

We are small in size and because of our Gross National Income we have graduated from the “usual” concessional financing from the international financial institutions such as the World Bank.

As part of the OAS, we are linked with Latin and South America who have much larger economies and populations. We therefore have only a small share of the financing to the region.



Club Meeting—26th November 2020 Continued

Debt Forgiveness and Refinancing.

Over the past two years the government was able to negotiate new financing arrangement with its local and external creditors. This situation arises because of “over borrowing.” This is only a short term fix. These payments are still to be paid over the long term.

Blacklisting by the EU

Other countries may deserve to be sanctioned because of their economic activities. However due to “lack of power” Barbados may be seen to be “unfair”.

We are aware of the requirements to satisfy the OECD and the EC. In their view, we have not complied in all areas.

Solutions:

The Twelve Month Welcome Stamp

This is a Tourism-led initiative which will go in some way to alleviate some of our foreign exchange problems. To date some 2,000 persons have applied and 1,500 have been approved. Where possible we should mount initiatives to promote the benefits of the Welcome Stamp Programme.

The Barbados Yacht Club will be mounting such an initiative.

Education

Promote the speaking of Spanish and Portuguese to compete in Latin and South America.

CARICOM – Leadership structure

Prime Ministerial leadership changes every six months. This does not appear to augur well for continuity.

There should be one spokesperson

Questions:

Nikita Gibson:

Should we have been doing more to pre-empt the sanctions by the EU to prevent blacklisting

Michael Browne:

The future of LIAT.

Little hope as LIAT has always been bankrupt. Faced challenges of capitulation

Marlon Madden – Barbados Today

Sir Trevor - Comment

The International Business sector has been quietly doing well during the COVID-19 pandemic

References:

1. Diplomat criticises EU for blacklisting Barbados - Nov 27, by Marlon Madden, Barbados Today
2. Government told let CBC go; reduce Cabinet - Nov 27 by Marlon Madden, Barbados Today

Club Meeting— 26th November 2020 Continued

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT – PE Robin

Virtual Event – Monday, December 14. Two shows at 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. Tickets sales are going very well.



SUSTAINABLE LIVING – GLOBAL GRANT PROJECT – PP Paul

Two primary schools will be facilitated on Friday, December 04. These are St. Ambrose - 9:00 a.m. and St. Mary - 10:00 a.m. Two homes will also be facilitated. One in Clapham and the other in Harts Gap.

COMPOSTING PROJECT – Director Adrian Building Composters

Demonstrations will be done at the home of IPP Peter on Saturday, November 28.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY – DECEMBER 20 – Directors Adrian & Jeff

The Christmas Party at Government House has been cancelled for this year. A Taster of Christmas - musical cheer and gifts will be taken to selected homes. A listing of items for gifts has been presented. Members have been asked to make a contribution to facilitate 150 gift packages. Singers have been recruited to join Tamara Marshall, Mikey Mercer, Derek Fields, Norman Barrow, Steve Cozier and Brian Cole.

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VIRTUAL
CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
WHERE THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS COMES TO LIFE!
MONDAY DEC 14TH, 2020 AT 6PM & 9PM
GLOBE DRIVE-IN, ONLY \$55 PER CAR
CHILDREN'S GIFTS WILL BE COLLECTED AT GATE!

Entrance by Ticket Only!

 Blood	 RPB	 Alan Sheppard	 Joel Brooks	 Bit Bit
 G-Syndicate	 Paula Hinds	 Sundown Superhero	 Homer Parranderos Parang Band (T & T)	 Tamara Marshall
 Louise Woodbine Dance Academy	 The Groove	 Iza Vybe & Trumpetboy Entertainment	 Phoenix Steel	 Millennial Soundz

Purchase your Tickets EARLY from Members of the Rotary Club of Barbados, Emerald City Supermarket, Six Roads, Carlton & A-One Supermarket, Black Rock, Party Occasions, Sheraton Mall and A&B Music Supplies, Webster Park, Wildey. No Glass Bottles Allowed!

Special Thank You to our Sponsors:



DONATE TODAY



Rapha Medical Office – Bridge Road, St. Michael



Between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. (Weekdays Only)



Sorting of Clothing

December 1st 2020
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.



*****AVOID DONATING ITEMS THAT ARE IN POOR CONDITION*****

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PROTECT THE
LESS FORTUNATE
HELP & DONATE

**** You may also contact any member of RaCOB to make your donation directly.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ RCOB Trust Fund Day—3rd December, 2020
- ◆ Club Elections—10th December, 2020
- ◆ Carols By Candlelight—14th December, 2020
- ◆ Christmas Lunch—17th December, 2020

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

- PP. Vic Fernandes & Ferida — 25 Years — 9th Dec 1995
- PP Lionel Moe & Florine — 52 Years — 7th Dec 1968

Birthday - Rotarians

- Rtn. Carlos Depeiza — Dec 5th

Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- None this week.

Join Date Anniversary

- Rtn. Dr. Carol Belgrave — Dec 4th — 12 years
- Rtn. Dr. Albert Best — Dec 6th — 8 years
- Rtn. Winston Warren — Dec 6th — 8 years
- Rtn. Chrispen Hackett — Dec 8th — 4 years
- Rtn. Donna King-Brathwaite — Dec 8th — 15 years
- Rtn. Malcolm Vaughn — Dec 8th — 4 years

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.



Fellow Rotarians here is an update to the Senior Citizens Tea Party. Unfortunately we will not be having our usual Tea Party at Government House this year due to COVID-19.

We have however, decided to ask the club members to contribute a number of items which you can see listed below.

Please also note we need items for both male & female.

Body Lotion	Tooth brushes
Bath soap	Hand Wipes
Body wash	Sanitising Wipes
Razors disposable	Face wipes
Wash cloths	Mouth wash
Hand sanitizers	Hair comb
Tooth paste	Hairbrush
Deodorant	Tissue

Q-tips

In the past we as members donated PET bottles of soft drinks to the Tea Party but as we are not going to be needing that this year donated items of the same value would be welcomed. If you are able to donate more we will graciously accept it as we are collecting for close to 50% more seniors than we would have normally catered to in the past.

All donations can be delivered to Party Occasions at Sheraton Mall (please ask for Esther, Shontelle or Donna).

FYI: Most of our requirements can also be purchased from the \$3 store at Sheraton. All donations should be received by 5th/6th December to facilitate packing of the gift baskets for delivery on 8th/9th December.

Dir. Jeff Evelyn

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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