



ROTA NEWS



February 6, 2014

Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

Chartered March 07, 1962

District 7030



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Alexander McDonald

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 noon

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

www.clubrunner.ca/barbados

Profiles in Community Service

Past President J. William "Bill" Highton

Bill joined RCOB on February 15, 1968. He was invited to Rotary by Dr. Douglas Carter, who later became President of the Club for the year 1970-71. Bill was the Club President for the year 1980-81 and was awarded the prestigious Paul Harris Fellowship in 2002.

Bill, who is married to Diane, spent his career in the Life Insurance Industry. His work in Rotary spanned many years and he was instrumental in pioneering several projects. On being interviewed, Bill reminisced on being Santa Clause at the Christmas Party for the Thelma Vaughn Memorial Home. He further recalled his involvement in the Trevor's Way Project which was managed under the Presidencies of Lester Whitehead, Miles Rothwell, David Harvey- Reid and Pat Toppin – 1973-1977 and spoke fondly of a wood work Project which produced a "side table" about a foot long showing a Map of Barbados.

Bill Highton was very influential in setting up the Youth Yachting Programme which was focused on teaching youth to sail was conducted at Brandon's Beach. He spoke of "Getting Rotary Sailing". The 2008 Article – Barbados Youth Yachting Celebrated 40 years, it was noted that "2008 marked the 40th anniversary of youth yachting in Barbados. In 1968 Peter Evelyn, Bill Highton and Dennis Lacey formed the Barbados Yachting Youth Training Association (BYYTA). Ten Mirror dinghies were bought in kit form and assembled under a shed at the Barbados Yacht Club. They were great boats to teach youth the pleasures of sailing."



Building a Mirror dinghy in someone's garage.

Bill recalls that he spoke with Director John Grace, about the possibility of setting up this sailing programme. The club supported the idea and Rotary had the honour of one of the dinghies named "Rotary." The dreams of the founder members of BYYTA, Bill Highton, Peter Evelyn, and Dennis Lacey were beginning to be realized, as a younger generation of Barbadian sailors was beginning to follow in the footsteps of Barbados' veterans, representing Barbados at the international level. In 1987, two of BYYTA's past pupils, Shane Atwell and Randal Valdez, represented Barbados in the Pan American Games held in Michigan City. In the following year, 1988, at age eighteen, Shane went on to represent Barbados in the Finn Class at the Olympic Games in Seoul, South Korea.



Bill Highton, one of the founders of BYYTA, presents a prize to Paul 'The Surfer' Bourne at the conclusion of one of the summer sailing courses at Brighton Sailing Centre - the clubhouse is in the background. (Photo: Peter Burke)

Look out for part 2 in next week's edition - Past President, J. William "Bill" Highton, contribution to the Rotary and the community.

The District Conference in Martinique will be held this year April 22 – 26. All information regarding the program, accommodation and activities may be found at the web address:
www.district7030conference2014.org.

Meeting Details

Meeting held on Thursday, January 23, 2014.

Sgt-at-Arms: Alex McDonald

- Fines - \$
- Attendance -
- Raffle - \$

The Western Jamboree Night held at Providence Secondary School in St. George was well attended. Patrons dressed the part and came decked in their western finery.



On Tuesday 21st January 2014 (Errol Barrow Day) the RCOB hosted a Fun day for all the Children's Homes in the island. The event was held at Sterling Children's home in St. Philip and a fun time was had by all.



Upcoming Events

February 15th (Saturday) Proposed
Mini Mun

February 23rd (Sunday) - Founders
Day Service and Fellowship

March 15th (Saturday) - Bee Gees
Show at Ilaro Court

April 22 - 26 District Conference in
Martinique

Greeters

Guests

**MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR Family
MONTH (January 2014)**

Visiting Rotarians

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.

Announcements

Wedding Anniversaries - Congratulations!!

Paul Lashley and Joyce Lashley
Trevor Fields and Shirley Anne Fields

January 31
February 13

Birthdays - Rotarians

Heather Tull
Waldo H. Clarke
Trevor Carmichael

February 3
February 6
February 9

Birthdays - Partners in Service

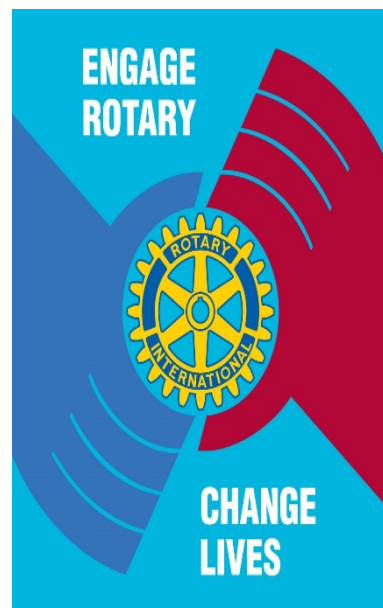
Norma Blackman (Frank Blackman)
Eileen Clarke (Clifford Clarke)
Dr. Marion Williams

February 3
February 4
February 6

Join Date Anniversaries

Trevor Fields
Algernon Leacock
John Mayers
Philip Saunders
Alexander McDonald
Paul Ashby

February 1
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