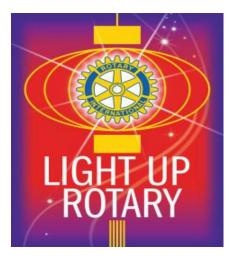


# ROTA®NEWS

# **Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados**

Chartered March 07, 1962 District 7030



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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?

# August 07, 2014

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# Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at **Hilton Barbados**

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12 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

Today will be a Fellowship Meeting

Again this week there is an experienced Greeting Team of PDG David and PVP David "Pop" Walker

# Meet PDG David PVP "Pop"

PDG David is our most celebrated member. He joined Rotary in Grenada on April 11, 1978 and joined our Club on May 01, 1979.



He served as President 1991-92 and District Governor 2004-2005. He continues to serve at the District Level as the Chair of the Grants Committee and at the Zone level as the Rotary Foundation ARRFC for Zone 34. For 2011-2012 our 50th Anniversary Year he was awarded the Rotary International Service Above Self by RI President Kalyan Banerjee. He is also the recipient of the Rotary Foundation Cita-

tion for Meritorious Service. At our recent Installation he was recognized as Rotarian of the Year and is now a member of the Five (5) Sapphire status in the levels of the Paul Harris Fellowship Award. His first PHF Award was in 1988.

David "Pop" Walker served as Vice President for the year 1992-93

to John Cabral. Other offices included Director of Club Service 1990-92 and SAA 1987–1989. He was Chair Club Liaison 1997-98. For the "older" members one would recall Pop supervising the Wine Bar at the annual Bajan Night Event. He spent a number of years employed by Stokes & Bynoe, agents for wine. David's contribution to the Community was recognized with a Paul Harris Fellowship Award in June 2007. He joined the Club on July 01, 1986.



Last Thursday, July 31 was a Fellowship Meeting with the Guest Speaker Dr. James Catanzaro. He spoke on "The role of Entre-preneurship in revitalizing Chattanooga, Tennessee".

President Alex asked the club to recognize the memory of Lisa Alexis Codrington, a former Chef of Hilton Barbados who was buried on July 29. He posited that over the years she would have provided us with an excellent fare.

Following is the Summary of the presentation by Dr. James Catanzaro.



We, Americans, who frequent this gem of the Caribbean, Barbados, recognize that the nation's greatest assets are the extraordinary people who call this island home --- kind, moderate, well-educated, industrious. Yet times are difficult as the region continues to struggle to pull out of the world-wide recession.

This was our lot in Chattanooga, Tennessee in the 80's and 90's. We had lost our industrial base; and we had lost our confidence.

But we came together to search out a new and prosperous future, one based on a return to manufacturing and, most recently, entrepreneurship.

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We have been able to attract billions of dollars in investments to our community, roughly the physical size and population of Barbados. Now Chattanooga is the home of Volkswagen, Wacker Chemie, and a host of other major companies. And it is fast becoming a major player in entrepreneurship thanks to having the fastest internet in North America and leadership devoted to small business acceleration. Chattanooga State Community College has been a major player in this renaissance -- the training partner of VW, Wacker, and over 100 other companies; and it is a center for business incubation and acceleration, innovation and entrepreneurship.

Research shows that less than a quarter of those who launch businesses have the personal traits to take a start-up to a thriving business, no matter how innovative the product or service. Bringing to bear these traits, total business focus, measured risk-taking, high creativity, fierce determination, and strong relationshipbuilding, separates true entrepreneurs who continuously expand their enterprises from those who start up businesses destined to failure or bare survival.

Building a new Bajan economy founded on vital, accelerating businesses is the primary way to full economic recovery because it will infuse large measures of confidence into the society.

Entrepreneurship, in other words, will change the psychology of the nation which will produce even greater economic vitality. It will bring Barbados back to being the economic gem of the Caribbean.

# WHO IS LIGHTINING UP THE ROTARY WORLD? India—Dr Tracy Archer

As we continue our journey to examine Rotary the world over, we find similar problems, similar solutions and a universal spirit of good will and giving as part of Rotary. Today we travel to Asia and look at a project in India.

The Rotary Club of Quilon West End, RI District 3211, reached out into their community to provide a home for a houseless widow and her two children who were finding it difficult to make both ends meet. The construction of the house was made possible by land gifted to the poor widow by the renowned philanthropist Shri Ravi Pillai. The President of the club Rtn Viju, along with PDG KP Ramachandran Nair, laid the foundation stone, on 28th March 2014.

Designed by club member Rtn Deepak Somarajan, a noted architect, and constructed and supervised by Rtn. Mathews Thomas an industrious contractor of R.C. Puthoor, the construction of the house was completed in a record 45 days' time.

We here in the RCOB have supported accommodating those in need for now over 50 years. Whether it was a fresh coat of paint, a refurbishment, upgrading of sanitary facilities or simply lowering a window so a wheel-chair bound man could see out of it, Rotary has always made its mark in our communities. Today we celebrate with the Rotary Club of India in District 3211, this widow and her children.

# **Meeting Details**

Thursday, July 31, 2014 Sergeant-At-Arms: Vic Fernandes

- Attendance 44%
- Raffle N/A
- Winner N/A
- Fines \$202.00

**The Squire to the Rescue**—PP Lionel as a former soldier would agree that position is "the art of gunnery," and there he was to rescue Tracey and Tracy from the rain—transporting them to their respective cars. It is the TRUTH as witnessed by Pop Walker?



# PROFILES IN COMMUNITY SERVICE -#8—RANDALL GODDARD, PHF.

By D.R. Douglin



How did you become involved in Rotary?

I was introduced by Pat Toppin then President on the 9th January 1977.

What is your favorite memory of Rotary?

My fondest memories of Rotary are the projects that we completed. My most

fond memory is that of The Barbados National Chain Link project. I remember when as a member of Rotary I attended a meeting at the Hilton Hotel when Peter Inniss was President of the Club. A young member Paul Hadchity proposed the idea of asking Barbadians to hold hands around Barbados as a gesture of pride in our country. When I listened to that wonderful idea I said to myself that it is a beautiful idea but how will they get it to work?

From my office at Harrison and Company where I worked in those days, I phoned Maurice Foster and told him about the idea. I called him because I knew that he was a great organizer of projects. A few days later, he met me in my office at Harrisons and I gave him the details of what Paul Hadchity had proposed; to form a chain of Barbadians around the island. Maurice went home and gave it a lot of thought and came up with a plan where he divided the Island into 56 sections which would take 56 miles right around the Island. Because of his interest, he shortly after joined the Rotary Club himself and put this idea to the Committee with Paul Hadchity, Peter Inniss and the other members of the Board.

The idea was that each person would be given a raffle ticket where they had the possibility of winning 2 cars sponsored by local agencies. He also added other goodies to appeal to children and parents.

## PROFILES IN COMMUNITY SERVICE CON'T

He approached all schools before and on the day chosen there was a huge turnout of parents and children and each mile was manned by a Captain who was a Rotarian.

My mile was up at Rices, St. Philip and most parents and children were from St. Winifred's and Ursuline Convent. At an agreed time the church bells across Barbados rang out and everyone held hands and recited the pledge. It was a wonderful feeling of pride. Dame Elsie Payne wrote a beautiful letter expressing appreciation for what we had done.

We never managed to complete a full chain. We were short of bodies. After the project was completed Maurice Foster put together a huge catalog of pictures to illustrate the Chain Link which he donated to the Museum where I believe it still stands.

The Raffle tickets were never claimed and we formed a trust. We sold the two cars and a trust was set up (1981) with trustees to help the children of Barbados.

# That sounds lovely, what other notable memories of Rotary do you have?

I was involved in the annual Christmas party. The Christmas party is for seniors and persons who reside in old people's homes. I used to assist Horace King who I believe is the oldest living member of the club. Members came with sandwiches and PET bottles. The dining room was cleared for 100-110 senior citizens and matrons. We received a visit from the Governor General and at 4p.m., he delivered a short address. A glass of sherry was served to everyone to commemorate the occasion.

We also had musical groups perform – the Barclays Bank choir and Sister Marshall were some of the persons who provided entertainment. I remember Lady Blanchette dancing encouraging members and the senior citizens to dance in the aisle. We invited the St. John's Ambulance Brigade, you know, in case they were needed. We transported our guests in our cars, coaches or buses. Our guests came from the Hazelmere Home, the St Michael's infirmary, the St. Philip Hospital, a home in the Pine and other Senior citizens homes around Barbados.

We had other, more simple, projects for example bingo. In the early days we had drums from Roberts Manufacturing and we distributed those as dustbins.

Lastly, every year the members help the Challenor Home (Challenor Creative Arts and Training Centre) to keep it in good shape. We also had an annual BBQ buffet at the Hilton where meals were served to the public. Bajan Night which was held on the Saturday closest to Feb 14. I manned the Bar. We visited homes and gave out gifts from Carols by Candlelight. I also manned the bar there.

Continued next week as Randall speaks about his other interests and influences

#### **UP-COMING EVENTS**

August 21—Past President's day August 24—Boat Cruise/Picnic

August 28 – Guest Speaker

September 06—Club Forum

#### **GREETERS**

Aug 14—PP Algie Leacock & PP Tony Williams Aug 21—Berkeley Blades & PP Brenda Pope Aug 28—Treasurer Brian & Dr. Carol Belgrave

# **OUR VISITORS—July 31**

## **GUESTS**

Iveren Stevenson-Clarke & Christine Clarke— Barbados—Susan Stevens-Clarke Jonathan Williams—Barbados—Ron Williams Jenelle & Joelle Johnson—Barbados—Past Secretary Joe

Sherral Bushelle—Barbados—Director Kim Dr. Leroy McClean & Mrs. Fern Lewis—BIDC— PP Erskine

Brian Hinds—Barbados—Diana R. Douglin

# **Guest Speaker**

Dr. Jim Catanzaro—RCo Chattanooga— Downtown, TN—Education—PP Erskine

## **ROTARIANS**

Susan Stevens-Clarke—RCo Arizona Mesa Sunrise Club—Education



## 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**

Past President Roger & Deborah Smith Aug 09

Dr. John & Nola Mayers Aug 14

# **Birthdays - Rotarians**

Trevor G. Fields Aug 13

# **Birthdays - Partners in Service**

Jenifer Johnson—Past Secretary Joe	Aug 09
Harriet MacDonald—Past President Stanley	Aug 09
Kathleen "Katie" Hermant—Peter	Aug 13

# **Join Date Anniversaries**

Past President John MacKenzie Aug 12, 1993

## **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 occupa

tion as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotar

ian'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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