**DISTRICT 7030** CLUB#6798 Chartered March 07, 1962



Mar 7th, 2024

## **ROTANEWS**

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**President Elect** Stephanie Urchick



# Debbie Roopchand

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**HE The Most Honorable Dame** Sandra Mason, FB, GCMG, DA, SC.

President of Barbados

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David Antrobus

**International/Rotary Foundation** 

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Neal Griffith

**Immediate Past President** 

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Sergeant-at-Arms

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**CREATING HOPE IN OUR COMMUNITY** 

**Club Weekly Meetings** Thursdays at 12.30 pm **Hilton Barbados** 

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### The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.

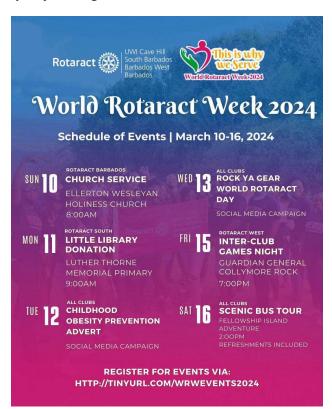
Today, March 7<sup>th</sup>, is a Business Meeting, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel.



March is Water, Sanitation and Hygiene month. "Clean water, basic sanitation, and proper hygiene are fundamental human rights, yet a staggering 2.2 billion people still lack access to safe drinking water." You can read this in Foundation Trustee Chair Barry Rassin's message to us this month. You can <u>Click Here</u> to read the full article, which also reminds us of World Rotaract Week starting March 11th. The article will take approximately 3 minutes to read.

If you have not yet donated to the Rotary Foundation, please consider a small donation in this month of Water, Sanitation and Hygiene.

Donate by logging on to <a href="https://my.rotary.org/en/donate">https://my.rotary.org/en/donate</a> and do your part as a global citizen.



#### Meeting Details – February 29th, 2024

#### **Awardees**

Patterson Rowe Ian McNeel Dr. E. Arthur Phillips Dr. Dion Greenidge Marina House

#### **Sponsors**

Shimon McIntosh – RBC Sandra Vaughn – RBC

#### Guests

Nicole Rowe Elize Rostant

Jeanette Cabral – PP John Cabral Donna Edwards – PDG David Edwards Natalie Greaves Nicole Rowe

Natasha Forde – Rtn Scott Oran Wayne Gibbons – Verdun & Marina House Marietta Carrington - Verdun & Marina House Bridgette Brathwaite – UWI Marketing Cherris-AnnSkeete – UWI Marketing Gillian Applewhaite – AG Paul Ashby Mary Cozier – Rtn. Steve Cozier Ferida Fernandes – PP Vic Fernandes

#### **Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors**

Chair Janelle Jordan – Satellite Club 'Rise Up' Rtn. Rashida Prescott – Satellite Club 'Rise Up' Rtn. Posha Doyle – Satellite Club 'Rise Up'

#### **Honorary Rotarians**

None

Our next scheduled meeting will be a Fellowship Meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at The Hilton Hotel.

## **Summary of the RCOB/POWA Held on February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

The Rotary Pride of Workmanship Awards & Dinner (POWA) was held on February 29, 2024, at Hilton Barbados Resort. Sergeant-at-Arms PP Vic Fernandes ensured the meeting started with the usual singing of the National Anthem. In welcoming the gathering PP Vic explained that the late start was to accommodate Members, Guests and Awardees who were stuck in heavy traffic. Rotarian Joe Johnson in the Invocation gave God thanks for the Fellowship, health and wonderful weather. He offered praise for the wisdom of the POWA and the initiatives and hard work of the Committee.

President Ermine welcomed Awardees, Corporate Sponsors, Rotaractors, Friends and Family of Rotary. She noted that the POWA is special to Rotary as it recognizes individuals and organizations from both public and private sectors who exemplify excellence in their respective fields providing invaluable services to our community especially the most vulnerable. The recipients span disciplines in environmental protection, education and innovation, youth support, disease prevention and treatment, peace promotion and community economic development, all part of RI's seven areas of focus.

President Ermine expressed gratitude to corporate sponsors, Oran Ltd., RBC Royal Bank (Barbados) Ltd., A1 Supermarket Ltd., Barbados Light and Power Ltd., NCD Capital Markets (Barbados) Ltd., and supporting sponsor Winston Enterprises Ltd. She recognized the planning committee for their dedication and urged all present to enjoy the celebration.

Please click on the link below to see the full opening remarks from President Ermine:

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During dinner we were entertained by Keishelle Rawlins on the saxophone.

PP David Antrobus, Director of Community Service informed the gathering of the POWA History. The RCOB in 2002 implemented the POWA and every year since then, with few exceptions, has selected 3 to 5 persons from the community to be recognized and has in that time made over 70 awards.

Please click on the link below to see the history of POWA:

https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000007241/enca/files/homepage/powa-history/History-of-POWA.pdf

Rtn. Ayesha Hannif narrated in true professional style the citations for Awardees:

Please click on the link below to see the citations for the awardees:

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Ian McNeel, (Protect the Environment): Founder, Director and Visionary of the Walkers Institute for Regeneration research and Design Inc. (Walkers Reserve St. Andrew). In his acceptance speech Mr. McNeel noted that sustainability is the key to surviving for companies and committees during national change, neither of which can prosper if people are sick. Creating a regenerative economy instead of an extractive economy was Walker's Reserve way of investing in a new economy.

Patterson Rowe: (Supporting Youth): Offers annual support to Rotary Fun Day at his Sandal Woods Estate and has actively sought ways to make an impact on the lives of young people in Barbados. In thanking Rotary, he expressed his keen support of the Rotary Fun Day over seven years as entertaining children was part of his passion. He is also committed to employment of young men in the community as co-Leader of the St. Albans 4H Club.

Verdun and Marina House: Promoting Peace and Community Economic Development: Mrs. Marietta

Carrington expressed pure delight in teaming up with Rotary as being intentional and strategic. She commended the RCOB's YES Programme and expressed a grateful "Thank You".

**Dr. Dione Greenidge: Supporting Education:** The distinguished scholar and leader in the field of applied psychology offered thanks to those who worked with him on his project titled "Operation Seek and Save" designed to collect health-related data to stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus and dengue fever. He stressed it was important to do things in service. He continues to encourage students to be innovative and be driven not so much by the degree but more so to takeaway a commitment to build the society, Barbados and the region.

**Dr. Arthur Philips: Diseases Prevention and Treatment**: The distinguished physician and Public Health practitioner, in recognition of the award informed that he spent over 25 years in Medicine of which 20 years have been in Public Health as Associate Lecturer in Public Health receiving the 2021 Global Award. He counselled that one remembers special events in life, and he remains committed to being a special physician.



Secretary Rtn. Jamella Forde offered the Vote of Thanks to Sponsors, Awardees, Members of the Planning Committee, Keishelle Rawlins for the music interlude during dinner and Hilton Barbados for Attendance and full engagement in a very successful event. President Ermine offered Closing Remarks and invited a toast to Rotary International.

#### CONGRATULATIONS RCOB District 7030 Step Challenge





Pres. Ermine sporting the 7030 Child Obesity T.shirt

Congratulations go out to the 18 members of RCOB (6 being members of our Satellite Club 'Rise Up') who took up the District 7030 Moves challenge 'Let Every Step Count'. 15 clubs in the district with a total of 150 participants completed 31.58 million steps for a total of 315,767 points. RCOB finished in first place having done 4.35 million steps for a total of 43,450 points. We also had two Rotarians finishing in the top 10. WAY TO GO RCOB!

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

March 8<sup>th</sup> – International Women's Day March 9th - Y.E.S. March 9th – M.U.N. March 10<sup>th</sup> – Founders Day Church Service March 10<sup>th</sup> – Bathsheba Beach Lime March 14<sup>th</sup> – Fellowship Meeting March 16th – Y.E.S. March 16<sup>th</sup> – M.U.N.Graduation March 20<sup>th</sup> – Let's Get Moving March 21<sup>st</sup> – Fellowship Meeting March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Y.E.S. March 28<sup>th</sup> – Fellowship Meeting April 4<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting April 6<sup>th</sup> – Y.E.S. April 11th – Fellowship Meeting April 13<sup>th</sup> – Y.E.S. Graduation April 27<sup>th</sup> – Children's Beach Day

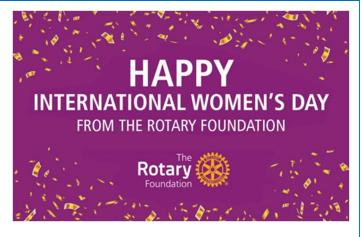
#### RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

March 9<sup>th</sup> – Rotaract Mortgage Fair
March 10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> – World Rotaract Week, 2024
April 27<sup>th</sup> – Spirited – Heritiage Rum and Cuisine –
Rotaract Club of Barbados

#### **DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS**

District 7030 Conference - St. Vincent April 18 – 20, 2024

















#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Birthdays Rotarians**

PP Vic Fernandes – March 8<sup>th</sup> Chair Janelle Jordan – March 13<sup>th</sup>

<u>Birthdays – Partners-in-Service</u> None

Wedding Anniversaries
None

Join Date Anniversary
None

#### **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.

#### **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.



**Bulletin Editor: PP Denise Antrobus**