



ROTA NEWS



August 8, 2013

Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

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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?

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

Guest Speaker Review

Sadly more youth aged 16 years and older are homeless in this country than five years ago when the age of a homeless person was typically between 40-80 years. This was revealed by **Kemar Saffrey** Founder, President and Chairman of the Barbados Vagrants and Homeless Society (BVHS) who delivered an informative and thought provoking address at our meeting Thursday July 25 2013. Kemar also revealed that the ratio of vagrant men to women is 95:5 while the ratio of homeless men to women is 30:70 and that homelessness and vagrancy generally resulted from job loss, eviction by family members and mental health issues.

The challenge of combating homelessness and vagrancy has been taken on by Kemar and his team at the **BVHS** who aim to assist their clients reintegrate into society by several programs including “At the Crossroads”, “Direct Care Ministry” and “On the Road Ministry”.

The services offered include:

- rehabilitation
- home care
- daily meals
- therapy/counseling,
- financial management
- basic education
- job placement
- buddy program for shared housing
- on-site facilities providing showers and grooming
- outreach
- family reintegration programs and
- referral to appropriate facilities, where necessary.

Kemar and his team have been recognised for their work in Barbados and have recently been approached to provide a programme to combat homelessness in Wales. Elvin Sealy in delivering the Vote of Thanks to Mr. Saffrey noted the Rotary International 2013-2014 theme and that by Engaging Rotary our members can assist with Changing the Lives of BVHS clients.

Mr. Kemar Saffrey may be contacted at bvhscare@gmail.com or on 239-5619.



Kemar delivering his address to the Club.



PHF VP Elvin making a point to Kemar Saffrey of the Barbados Vagrant and Homeless Society.

Meeting Details

Business Meeting held on Thursday, July 25th 2013.

Sgt-at-Arms: **PHF Alex McDonald**

- Fines - \$250.00
- Raffle - \$0.00
- Attendance - 65%



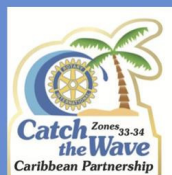
Rotarians enjoying fellowship at the 104th Rotary International Conference in Lisbon, Portugal (2013) © PHF VP Elvin Sealy.

The 2014 Rotary International Convention will be held in Sydney, Australia 1-4 June 2014.

Early Registration is now open.



Caribbean Partnership Conference 2013



The 2013 CP Conference will be held in Boca Raton, Florida on September 8-9. Register at www.caribbeanpartnership.org or call (954) 369-8667 for details



The initiative of the Rotary Clubs and Districts of Zones 33 and 34 to foster friendship and partnership between the Southeast U.S and the Caribbean hosts the 2013 CP Conference in Boca Raton, Florida on September 8-9 2013. Please log in to the website www.caribbeanpartnership.org to register and find more information.

Take Aways: • Motivational speaker and successful entrepreneur Marga Fripp of Empowered Women International keynote Sunday night • RID/VP Anne Mathews-Opening Session • RIDE Robert Hall-Opening Session • Updates on the Rotary efforts in Haiti • Breakout groups on the 6 areas of focus • Global grant program • Specific projects and how your district can help **before** you depart!

This year's event in addition to the program and breakout session we will have the Calypso night on Sunday night! Join us for an evening of the steel drum band Rhythm Trail as they provide pre-event music and will help us dance the night away following dinner! Grab that Caribbean flower shirt and join us for a kickback kind of evening with Marga Fripp, great fellowship, games and music on Island time in Boca! ©caribbeanpartnership.org

Notices

- There was no meeting on August 1, 2013 as it was the Emancipation Day Public Holiday.
- Please be reminded that Semi-Annual dues of \$250.00 per member are now due. For all those who attended, or indicated that they would attend, the Installation Night the cost of \$100.00 per person is also now due.

Upcoming Events

August 29 2013

Guest Speaker

Tracey Knight-Lloyd on caring for an autistic child.

Greeters

August 8: Jomo Hope/Heather Tull

August 15: Orville Durant/Anthony Reece

August 22: Roger Smith/Winston Warren

August 29: Neal Griffith/ Vic Fernandes

Guests

- **Kemar Saffrey** – Chairman Barbados Vagrant and Homeless Society (Waldo Clarke)
- **Scott Barnett**, Law Student (John MacKenzie)
- **Betty Burke**, Accountant (Winston Warren)
- **Vincent Price**, Entrepreneur (Lisa Cummins)
- **Kirk Humphrey**, Executive Director, Constituency Empowerment Department (Waldo Clarke)

MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR Membership & Extensions Month (August 2013)

- 8th Business Meeting
- 12th 2nd Board meeting
- 15th Fellowship Meeting
- 22nd Classification Talk
- 29th Guest Speaker

Visiting Rotarians

Mr. Irvine Weekes (Georgia, U.S.A.)

Mr. Milton Inniss, Rotary West (District Governor nominee)

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!!**

Deborah and Roger Smith
Nola and John Mayers

August 09

August 14

Birthdays

Rotarians

Trevor Fields

August 13

Partners in Service

Audrey Mullan (Matthew Mullan)

August 03

Heather Robinson (Jedder Robinson)

August 04

Jennifer Johnson (Joseph Johnson)

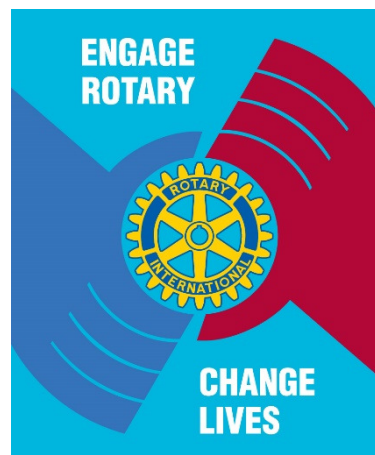
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Kathleen Hermant (Peter Hermant)

August 13

Rotary Anniversaries

None



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