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Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

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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?

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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

POW Awards 2013: Celebrating

Community Service...

Thursday's meeting of October 17th is a dinner affair featuring the presentation of Pride of Workmanship Awards by the Vocational Services Committee to three (3) outstanding members of the Differently Able Community. Your attendance will therefore be much appreciated to support our acknowledgement of the Awardees: Patrick Forde, Barry Weekes and Junior Howell.

Rotarians will no doubt recall that the purpose of Pride of Workmanship is to highlight the dignity of all useful work, and is dedicated to persons who provide a service to the community but are largely unrecognized. It is interesting to note that the mobility of the Awardees though similar differs in some ways. Together this trio has mastered the art of customer service as they promote the Pride and Industry of this beautiful country.

For the Awardees, the evening will represent a special outing, so attendance by Rotarians and their Partners in Service would be more than welcome, to lend the Club's support to the Pride of Workmanship initiative in this Vocational services month.

These three differently able persons continue to work to bring joy, comfort and satisfaction to locals and visitors to our shores so we are asking for an extra special effort by Rotarians to attend Thursday October 17th Dinner Meeting.



As part of our outreach to International Development Agencies President Ron meeting the UN Resident Coordinator at UN House.

Rotaract Model UN instills courage



By Alina Cristina Buteica, member of the Rotaract club of Bucharest Triumph, and participant in the first-ever Rotaract Model UN in Romania

The courage to shine and take a stand. The courage to make informed decisions that will impact the world. The courage to find innovative ways for building international dialogue.

These are the things that come to my mind in reflecting on what I learned during the Rotaract Global Model United Nations in Baia Mare, Romania, 21-25 August. I had just spent a full year working in 10 countries in Africa when a good friend told me about this initiative and encouraged me to apply. I could hardly have imagined what I would experience. The event in Baia Mare was the first of what we hope will be many Rotaract Global Model UN conferences. It felt to me like a timecapsule: an intensive week in which young students and professionals from four continents had the privilege to meet, work together and debate some of the most pressing issues on the international agenda at this moment.

This first Model UN simulated three councils: The Security Council, Human Rights Council and the Peacebuilding Commission. Delegates had to step outside their comfort zones to suggest new, practical solutions to old problems, such as the situation in Syria, peacemaking in the Central African Republic, or the impact of climate change on indigenous communities. The Romanian model UN introduced a new concept: a Rapporteur Office, responsible for forwarding a report containing our final suggestions and conclusions to the regional and international decision-making bodies, including the UN.

Meeting Details

Meeting held on Thursday, October 3 2013.

Sgt-at-Arms: Heather Tull

• Fines - \$230.00

• Raffle - \$157.00

• Attendance - 65%

As participants, we felt the weight of our responsibility on our shoulders.

It was an amazing experience. We all bonded and shared so many stories and anecdotes in just one week. Our friendship went beyond borders, cultures, or ages. As I chatted with friends after the conference, we all missed being in debate-mode and taking part in negotiations. The conference has also been a wonderful opportunity for us to explore the beautiful scenery of Maramures, a historic part of Romania.

I would say there are four chief things the Rotaract model UN brings forward:

- An awareness of the main international issues impacting our lives
- The art of debate and diplomacy. Or more simply put, how to look at old problems through a new lens, that of the younger generation.
- How to take responsibility for our opinions and resolutions (the discipline of decision-making)
- How to seek informed, collaborative solutions through cross-cultural dialogue, understanding, and peace-building (the discipline of collaborative action)

What is it that makes me feel a bit more confident about the future? It is our ability to take action and shape the future we want to see. As "Rotary in Action," Rotaractors and youth from all over the world creatively engage in these debates during every edition of Rotaract Model UN.

The hosting of the Second MUN in Barbados, a joint project among the three clubs is to commence shortly.



A special thanks to Rtn. Tracey for her most instructive presentation on caring for an autistic child.

Further information can be obtained from the Autism Association Of Barbados 106 Durants Christ Church Barbados **420-9770**.



On the 30th September 2013, the St. Michael School Interact Club inducted its Board of Directors for 2013/2014 during the school's morning assembly. Here the members surround the name Interact built with 25 cent pieces. The President and Vice President of the club will attend our meeting on October 24th 2013 to discuss their plans for their club.

How we can inspire our Rotaract and Interact members.....

- Provide hands-on service activities that welcome new volunteers.
- Encourage youth and young adults to grow in their leadership skills.
- Start more community-based Rotaract clubs.
- Keep track of your Rotary family
- Make it easy to "engage Rotary" before becoming a Rotarian.



Upcoming Events

Oct 17th - Pride of Workmanship Oct 24 - District Governor Visit Oct 26th - Fundraiser for cancer awareness Family Western Jamboree

<u>Greeters</u>

Joel Brathwaithe Ronald Ramsay

Guests

Kim Sealy – Elvin Sealy Andrew Ifill – Nicholas Waithe Kirk King – Nicholas Waithe

MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR Vocational Service MONTH (October 2013)

October 17th 2013 - Awards POW (Dinner) October 24th 2013 - Interact & Rotaract Boards

<u>Visiting Rotarians</u>

Stephen Broomes Robert Chase

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!!

Joel and Margaret McCarthy October 17

Birthdays

Rotarians

Clifford Clarke October 05
Richard Blanchette October 08
Joel Brathwaite October 08
Elvin Sealy October 11
Jomo Hope October 15

Partners in Service

None

Join Date Anniversaries

Erskine Thompson October 12



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