



ROTA NEWS



Rotary Opens Opportunities

R.I. Theme 2020-21

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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?

Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

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11TH MARCH 2021

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Public Relations

Arlene Ross

Community Service

Adrian Skeete

International/Rotary Foundation

Makonem Hurley

Immediate Past President

Peter Williams

Sergeant-at-Arms

Randy Marshall

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

Hilton Barbados

(Hybrid Meetings via Zoom from Aug 6, 2020 to present)

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,

St. Michael

at 12:30 p.m.

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

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING
ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798

RI THEME: ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES



Today is a Fellowship Meeting being held via Zoom Only.

A presentation will be done by Jasmine Greene on the topic "Innovation and Education during COVID 19". A second presentation will be given by Kenya Franklin, winner of the MUN for 2020. Ms. Franklin is daughter of PP Shawn Franklin and granddaughter of PP John Cabral. She will speak on her experience at MUN. Their biographies can be seen on page 4B.

Our Zoom meeting Moderator will be PDG David.

OUR GUESTS — Meeting Held On 4th March 2021

Guests

- Oliver Jordan — Guest of Rtn. Neal Griffith
- Davina Layne — Guest of Rtn. Jamella Forde

Visiting Rotarians and Rotaractors

- Rtn. David Antrobus - RC of St. Maarten-Mid Isle
- PP Richard Blanchette
- Dr. Rose-Ann Blenman-Abange - RC of Doylestown, PA
- Rtr. Scott Chandler — RAC of Barbados

Housekeeping:

- Attendance - 69%



Club Meeting – 4th
March - 2021

The meeting was called to order at 12.30 pm by President Fiona. After the national anthem prayers were led by PP Tony Williams.

Visiting Rotarians and guests were introduced by SAA Randy.

Announcements/Birthdays/Anniversaries:

Rotarian Scott Oran is the proud grandfather of a baby girl.

PP Dr Trevor Carmichael is the proud grandfather of a baby boy.

Pre-P.E.T.S will be continue until April 08, 2021.

The District Conference is scheduled for April.

Founder's Day was celebrated on Sunday, February 28th with a virtual church service at St James Parish Church in the morning and a successful and interactive cook-off and bake-off in the afternoon. This was followed by games of trivia. President Fiona thanked PP Stanley for introducing the idea of the cook-off . PP Jerry Ishmael was adjudged as the winner.

President Fiona then shared a few motivational quotes

CLUB REPORTS

Club Administration – Director Rotarian Jeff Evelyn

- Feb 04. Business meeting.
- Feb.11. Guest speaker Rtn Dr. Rose-Ann Blenman-Abange. Topic. "Pros & cons of vaccines".
- Feb.18. Presentation by PDG Tony "Life in Rotary". Classification talk by Rtn Michael "Mikey" Mercer.
- Feb.25. Presentation by PDG David on "Past Presidents of the Club from inception to present".
- Feb.28. Celebration of International Founder's Day - Virtual Church Service at St. James Parish Church in the morning and fellowship – cook-off and trivia games in the afternoon.
- Attendance YTD 74.5%. Director Jeff announced plans to introduce a buddy system to reach out to Rotarians who are behind with their attendance.
- Upcoming events for March 2020 were also listed and can be seen on page 4A of the bulletin.

CONT'D

Rotary



**WORLD
ROTARACT
WEEK 2021**
MARCH 7 - 13

**7TH VIRTUAL MULTI-FAITH
CELEBRATION**
10AM-11AM (AST)

**13TH KIDS READING CAMPAIGN:
CYBER BULLYING**
10AM-11AM (AST)

**9TH BALANCING LIFE IN
SERVICE WEBINAR**
6:30PM-8:00PM (AST)

**13TH VIRTUAL GAMES NIGHT
& SOCIAL**
6:30PM-8:00PM (AST)

**11TH SELF-CARE SOCIAL
MEDIA CAMPAIGN**
ALL DAY EVENT



Rotaract  UWI Cave Hill
South Barbados
Barbados West
Barbados

Club Meeting– 4th March 2021

Membership & Youth Service – Director PP Stanley MacDonald

Rotaract UWI-Cave Hill known as “The Blackbirds”:

- A few months ago the Blackbirds started with 4 persons. Membership continues to grow.
- Via project Elevate they deal with the handling of recyclable materials.
- They assisted with the care packaging which was organized on behalf of the Government at Deighton Griffith School.
- They are currently working on a clothing drive project.

Rotaract Club of Barbados:

- Celebrated its 5th anniversary with a week of activities during the 1st week of February.
- Celebrations started with a virtual church service, there was a radio interview to promote the Club, a video presentation depicting activities of the Club through the years and a discussion series “pass the mic” on life and love and the challenges faced by youth.
- They assisted with manning the phone lines and packing of care packages at Deighton Griffith School on the weekend of February 13 & 14.
- For the month of March, they will be working on a school poster competition and will continue to support a blood donor drive. All of their committees are meeting as required.

Interact:

- Interact - Codrington School. No meetings were held. The faculty advisor feels the children are already over-exposed by too much screen time on their devices.
- Interact -The St. Michael School. Virtual meetings are held every Wednesday at 4.45 pm and they are currently working on the following projects:
Green Living, pollution children’s literacy and animal care
The Club held discussions on the following topics:
Mental Health. International Women’s month.
Founder’s Day was observed on February 24.

Earlyact:

- Will’s Primary School.
- Very little activity because of the COVID pandemic.
- They continue to assist the less needy families.
- Charles F. Broome Memorial School
- On pause with the establishment of an Earlyact club because of the COVID_19 pandemic.
- Ifill School.
- Awaiting response to correspondence regarding establishment of an Earlyact Club.
- PP Stanley mentioned that two new Rotarians are to be inducted shortly namely, Oliver Jordan and Davina Layne.

Community Service – Director Adrian Skeete.

- Activity for the month of February revolved around packing of care packages at Deighton Griffith School for persons in need. Rotarians from all 3 Clubs, Rotaractors, their friends and families gathered on the week end of Feb.13 & 14th to participate in this exercise.
- POWA will be celebrated on April 22, 2021. It will be a virtual event. Frontline workers and persons volunteering with the vaccine program will be honoured.
- A television, which was donated by Kooyman, was presented to Farr’s Children’s Home.

Public Relations – Director Arlene Ross

- Director Arlene restated the goals of PR to demonstrate why this area was important.
- The aim of PR is to create awareness of activities and projects among members, among the media and among the community and ensure the Club’s public image is in line with Rotary’s public image.
- To achieve these objectives, it is important to share our stories, to stick to the Rotary brand and use social media effectively.

Club Meeting– 4th March 2021

- It was found that the sharing of activities with high engagement brings the most effective PR results.
- Based on her analysis, Director Arlene concluded that more effective PR is derived from projects which show Rotarians in action. In this regard, good coverage was received from projects such as Carols by Candlelight, the computer donations and the Schoolhouse.
- Director Arlene advised that Project Elevate will be continued. In the next phase, parents and guardians will be incorporated into the exercise.

International/Rotary Foundation – Director Makonem Hurley

- Director Makonem again appealed to Rotarians to contribute to the Foundation via E.R.E.Y. Any Rotarian experiencing difficulty making the contribution can contact either PDG David Edwards or Rotarian Steve Cozier or Director Makonem for assistance,
- MUN has been cancelled this year because of the COVID 19 pandemic.

Treasurer’s report – Rotarian Meryl Stoute.

- Treasurer Meryl thanked those Rotarians who paid their dues and any amounts owing. She reminded Rotarians that they can drop off payments at the office of PP Ron (Luxe Caribbean), in Rendezvous, if they encounter difficulty paying online.
- Club financials will be viewable in Financial statements

Rotary Trust Fund Projects. – VP PP Ron Davis

- PP Ron explained that the Consolidated Trust Fund is made up of 3 funds namely, the Chainlink Fund, the Schoolhouse Fund and the General Fund.
- He pointed out the following:
Whereas the principal is re-invested, interest from the Chainlink Fund is and can be used to fund projects.
Each year 10% of funds generated from Club projects is added to augment the principal of the Chainlink Fund.
Each year 10% of funds generated from projects is transferred to assist with payment of the mortgage for the Schoolhouse for Special Needs Children.
- The mortgage was paid down by \$150,000.00.
- There is an unspent balance remaining in the Trust account. This belongs to the organisers of a COVID 19 project. Via this project, hampers were packed and delivered to a number of needy persons. This Club assisted with the packing and managing of the funds.
The result of project activity for the year means there is just in excess of \$30,00.00 remaining for President Fiona to be spend in her year.

Carols by Candlelight report. – PE Robin Ford

- PE Robin explained that planning for Carols started in March 2020 but by April it was decided that the event would be in a virtual format and by July the idea of using the Drive-in was added.
Hence net income in excess of \$39,000 was generated. In addition, \$35,800.00 was generated in sponsorship and in kind.
- PE Robin appealed to Rotarians to contribute the \$100.00 they annually contribute to Carols by Candlelight.

PE Robin announced that the incoming Board will be structured as follows:

Director of Club Administration – Rotarian Savitri St.John.
Director of Membership and Youth Service – PP Stanley MacDonald.
Director of Public Relations – Rotarian Arlene Ross.
Director of Community Service – Rtn Anton Nicholls.
Director of International/Rotary Foundation – PP Carole Jean-Marie.
Sergeant-at-Arms – Rtn Randy Marshall.
Secretary – Rtn Ermine Darroux.
Treasurer – Rtn Peter Arender *who replaces Treasurer-elect Russell Wilson.*

The meeting was adjourned at 1.45 p.m. with a toast to Rotary International.

Club Donations



President Fiona (left) receiving the cheque at Kooyman



President Fiona (right) making a computer presentation

Kooyman made a presentation of \$7,000.00 on March 5th, to the Rotary Club of Barbados to assist with the clubs ongoing projects. Present were our President Fiona Hinds, President-Elect Robin Ford and Director of Community Service Adrian Skeete.

The club also recently received two computers from Karin Truedson of Walkers World which Pres. Fiona delivered to the Ministry of Education for programming. These were subsequently presented to two children in need.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Fellowship Meeting with Life in Rotary presentation by PP. Andrew Bynoe and a Classification Talk by Rtn. Nikita Gibson — March 18th
- Club Forum (Via Zoom) — March 24th
- No Lunch Meeting will be held on March 25th
- D7030 P.E.T.S. and Conference — Apr 16 to 24, 2021 — St Lucia

****All In-Person Meetings at the Hilton have been temporary suspended as we adhere to the Covid-19 protocols outlined by the Government of Barbados.**

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

- None this week

Birthday - Rotarians

- Rtn. Diana Douglin — March 16th

Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- Harriette Skeete — Dir Adrian Skeete — March 14th
- Ena Thompson — PP Erskine Thompson — March 15th

Join Date Anniversary

- None this week

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.

Biographies of Our Presenters Today

Chairman & Founder's Message



Jasmine Greene, 17

Student-Entrepreneur
of The Combermere School

Chairman & Founder

"As a CSEC student at the age of 16, the secondary school I presently attend, The University of Waterford, was suddenly closed due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic on March 17th 2020 in my home, Barbados. My education and leisurely activities were halted immediately along with my motivation and determination to study for my CSEC May/June 2020 exams. Unaware and afraid, I reached out to Caribbean entities such as The Student Hub by Kerwin Springer where then I discovered, I was not alone. In the moment of relief and peace, the demand for a solution to demotivated students was exceedingly high. Therefore, I founded the youth-organization Private Caribbean Study Goals on March 28th 2020.

By founding PCSG, in a general stance, students now have the accessibility to share their educational goals and academic and personal struggles with their fellow Caribbean classmates and "Study-Buddies". Individually, I now have the accessibility to share my educational goals and academic and personal struggles with my fellow hardworking volunteers and my dedicated and supportive team. I have obtained support and encouragement from our students as we help them and ourselves simultaneously. Since March 2020, PCSG has impacted hundreds of students educationally and personally throughout the year. Fascination and pleasure is within me as I read the messages of gratitude and support from students my age, younger and older. I am grateful to God, my family and friends for the support and love they have given me as well as myself and team for continuing PCSG and helping students just like me."

- Jasmine Greene
Date: 8/12/2020

Kenya Franklin (pictured right) is a 16 year old student at Queens College, studying Law, Economics and Environmental Science. She is a member of the Queens College Interact Club, as well as the Debating Society and the Barbados Youth Parliament. She competed in the 2016 and 2019 CARIFTA Games earning two Bronze Medals. She also participated and placed in the 2020 Rotary Model United Nations Conference. Kenya hopes to one day have a career in either International Relations or Law.



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

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