

ROTA NEWS



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

PATRON

HE Dame Sandra Mason, GCMG, DA. Governor General

DISTRICT OFFICERS

District Governor Trevor Blake

District Governor Elect Lisle Chase

District Governor Nominee

Sonya Alleyne

Assistant Governor Lisa Cummins

District Secretary Leah Sahely

District Treasurer Howard McEachrane

Council of Governors Chair PDG Dominique Vénéré

District Rotary Foundation Chair PDG Milton Inniss

District Special Projects Chair - NCDs PDG Tony Watkins

District Governor Special Advisor PDG David Edwards

District Training Chair/RLI Director DGN Sonya Alleyne



R.I Theme 2019-20

R.I. OFFICERS

President Mark Maloney

President Elect Holger Knaack

RI Membership Committee Vice-Chair PDG David Edwards



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?

December 12, 2019

Club Officers & Directors

President Peter Williams

President Elect Fiona Hinds

Vice President Elvin Sealy

Secretary Ermine Darroux

Treasurer Meryl Stoute

Club Administration Carl "Tony" Williams

Membership/Youth Service Makonem Hurley

Public RelationsArlene Ross

Community Service Adrian Skeete

International/Rotary Foundation Heather Tull

Immediate Past President Shawn Franklin

Sergeant–At–ArmsPeter Arender

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

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12:30 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

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798 RI THEME: ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD



No Luncheon Meeting Today

Instead there is a Cocktail Reception for our District Governor Trevor Blake at Radisson Aquatica.

This function is hosted by all three clubs and is from 6:00pm - 9:00pm.



Rotary 🎇

TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

OUR GUESTS - DEC 05

<u>Guests</u>

- Ted Issacs— PP Brenda Pope
- Karen Cole & Shakela Boodhoo

 Rtn Kerri Mapp
- Nigel Pierre—PP Paul Ashby
- Nicole Forde— Rtn Randy Marshall

Attendance: 74%

Fines: \$221.00

Raffle: \$99.30

(Winner – Rtn. Tracey Knight-Lloyd)

GREETERS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER

- Dec 12—No lunch meeting
- Dec 19—PP Alex McDonald & Rtn. Anton Nicholls
- Dec 26—No lunch meeting

Recap Of December 05 Meeting

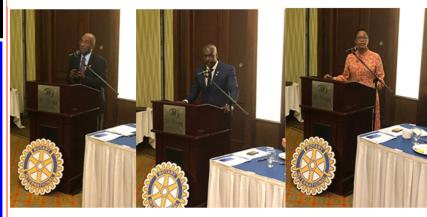
Last week's meeting was a business meeting and since December is a very busy month for our Club there was a lot of business to deal with at this meeting. Dressed smartly, we congregated before the official start of the meeting to have our photograph professionally taken. SAA Peter imposed fines for fashion *faux pas* and other petty misdemeanors and recognized visiting Rotarians and guests.

New member Carlos Depeiza presented his classification talk through which the Club was able to learn, among other things that he is a family man, he studied at the Barbados Community College and the University of West Indies, and is currently employed with Fortress Fund Managers, with responsibilities for pensions.

The Directors presented abbreviated versions of their reports. Director Tony - Club Administration - gave his report, which included plans for the DG's visit, our upcoming Christmas luncheon and the Club's overall attendance. Dir Adrian - Community Service - thanked everyone for making the senior citizens tea party a success and reminded the Club of the ongoing Children's Homes projects. AG Lisa informed the Club of the MUN alumni visits to the Port, and she addressed the plans for the DG's visit. PE Fiona gave her report on the Carols by Candlelight planning; she reminded the Club to adhere to all health requirements and thanked everyone for all their contributions towards the event wishing it to be a great success. She also spoke about the gift distributions which would take place in the coming weeks at different locations. Dir Arlene -Public Relations, spoke briefly about the ongoing raise in the Club's visibility in the media and on Social media. Rtn. Tracey won the raffle and graciously presented her prize to PP Brenda's Partner-in-Service, Ted.

The Club observed a moment of silence in respect for the passing of Sir Warwick Franklin, father of PP Shawn.

We also recognized the honour of Knight of St Andrew bestowed upon Charles Emile Straker, a former member of our club.







Classification Talk- Rtn. Carlos Depeiza



Classification – Pensions / Investments

Job Title: Pension Administrator

Good Day Fellow Rotarians;

My Name is Carlos Depeiza, a recently inducted member into the Rotary Club of Barbados in September 2019, having transitioned from the Rotaract Club of Barbados. I wanted to share with you some pertain details about myself, and my profession in the Pension's field.

I got involved initially with the Rotary Club for two reasons;

- I viewed it as a wonderful opportunity to do something productive with my life, in order to give back to the society on a whole and,
- b. I wanted to expand my knowledge base as there is always something new to learn and experience through association with like minds, with productive views about improving the society we live in.

Outside of Rotary, my other major interests are Hiking, Travelling, and Photography.

On a professional level, I am employed with Fortress Fund Managers Limited, one of the leading firms in the investment & pension fund arena in Barbados, were I currently serve as the Pension Administrator. I am also an active member on the Charitable Committee within Fortress Fund Managers Limited, were we seek to assist community groups and individuals with sponsorship & donations.

How I got involved in the pensions field, was not by choice but rather fate had hand to play in it. I came from a family where both my parents, teachers by profession instilled certain values and concepts in me, and my aunts and uncles, were all involved in banking or accounting sectors, so from early I was exposed to some possible financial sector career opportunities.

I pursued an Associate Degree in Computer Studies at the Barbados Community College, then at the University of the West Indies – Cave Hill perused a B.Sc. in Social Sciences and later completed my MBA at the University of Leicester (UK). I continue to retool and update my skill set via further studies.

Pensions may seem like boring, repetitive work to some, but in reality there is nothing more important to any individual than planning for your 'Golden years' and me being in a unique position to help guide people along that journey is one of the most rewarding parts of my career. It is one of those career fields that is not glamourous and fast paced, with great accolades, but serves a purpose. It is governed by legislations and rules, tax laws, mathematical calculations, reconciliation and reporting and lots of market research. Working in the field demands having good analytical skills, negotiation and public speaking skills and having an appreciation for reading and interpreting documents. My role is duel scoped, because I take active role in the administration of group pension plan portfolios, and also individual clients under registered retirement saving plan portfolios.

There is not a "One Size Fits All" for retirement planning but providing solutions to match clients' needs is the name of the game. After all, one of the key points of Rotary's four-way test is, "Will it be beneficial to all concerned?", so why should the same concept not apply for retirement planning.

Carols By Candlelight



PE Fiona and the Carols Fundraising Team extend a special thanks to each and every one - thanks for your hard work (for it was a lot of hard work) - thanks for your individual skill sets and your individual and collective know how - without which the show could not have happened - From all reports the night was another fantastic night; signaling for many the beginning of the festive season. And for those children who are in need it is pleasing to report that we have received more than 1500 gifts which will be distributed to their benefit. Well done Team Rotary Club of Barbados - as we continue to live our motto « service above self »--







SHOE-BOX DONATIONS

Members are kindly reminded about the annual "Shoe-Box" Initiative.

Please follow up with Rtn. Randy or PE Fiona for the list of what's required per child at the various homes.

We look forward to your usual support to make their Christmas Season truly memorable.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- DG Visit (Cocktail Reception

 Radisson Hotel) Dec 12
- Christmas Luncheon & Elections Dec 19
- Shoe Box at Sterling Children's Home
 Dec 20



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.

Reminders

Elections

Fellow Rotarians, please note that elections will take place on Dec 19, 2019 <u>at 12.00 noon</u>. We recognize that it is awkward to hold elections on the same day as the Xmas lunch, but this is unavoidable. Constitutionally, this is the only available date before December 31, 2019. 12.00 noon was chosen so that this process would not impact on the lunch activities. We expect the process to be over in short order prior to the lunch as the voting is for the position of directors only.

PLEASE COME OUT EARLY AND VOTE.

Xmas Lunch

Information is needed for catering purposes on the number of persons who will be attending the Xmas lunch. Kindly supply PP Tony Williams with this information, no later than Monday, Dec. 16. Please come out and sing along.

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

- Gillian Applewhaite & PP Paul Ashby 23yrs– Dec 14
- Terry Massay & Hon Rtn Jeff Massay 41yrs Dec 16

Birthday - Rotarians

- Pres Peter Williams Dec 13
- PP Lionel Moe

 Dec 14
- PP Tony Williams
 Dec 15
- PP Andrew Bynoe & PP Stanley MacDonald Dec 19

Birthday - Partners-in-Service

Amy Barrow — PP Norman Barrow – Dec 16

Join Date Anniversary

None This Week

society;

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

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.

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