

# ROTA®NEWS

June 14, 2012

# **Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados**

Chartered March 07, 1962 District 7030



The Rotary Club of Barbados

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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity R.I. Theme 2011-2012

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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

Today we are pleased to welcome the following persons to our meeting:

- Dr Shirley Jhagroo of Breast Screening Programme of the Barbados Cancer Society
- Stephen Brathwaite and members of the Barbados National Youth Symphony Orchestra (BNYSO)
- Founding members of the Interact Club of Codrington High School

At the business meeting last week the following information was presented by the Directors:

## **International Service**

## **Ambassadorial Scholarship:**

- Lisa Howard is starting her course August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- Her training will be arranged with PDG David and PP Andrew

## Group Study Exchange (GSE): -

- There are two GSE teams for 2012. The first will be in October 2012. The second is still to be confirmed
- Applications need to be in by July 2nd, 2012.
- There will be a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 10 team members.
- Training of both teams will commence mid August, 2012.
- In addition to an ad in the paper, in conjunction with RCS we will do email blasts, as it is believed this will be more effective for our target group.
- We will also attend Morning Barbados to discuss GSE, as we did 3 years ago.

# Sea Wheelchair

- British Women's Club has donated Bds\$3,000 towards purchase of another sea wheelchair.
- We are in process of ordering next 2 or 3 through PAG Fritz in Guadeloupe
- A meeting is also scheduled with Mr. Springer next week

#### **Peace Scholarships**

- There was an ad in Sunday Sun (May 20th, 2012)
- Also email blast with TELL Barbados
- No applicants to date
- However one person identified who might be good candidate was sent the application form
- Her response has been positive and we are awaiting a definite response.
- Deadline for submission to the District is June 15th, 2012.

## **Community Service**

## Children's Homes

- Tentative dates for the Leadership Development Training Camp for the children from Sterling and Farrs Homes are 7th to 17th August 2012.
- This year's camp to be held at Sterling, as the children from Farrs Home are being accommodated at Sterling, while Farrs is undergoing refurbishment.

#### **Senior Citizen**

- Proposed Senior Citizen concert for 23 June 2012 has been cancelled due to delays in repairs at the Main Guard.
- RBPF Band has offered to coordinate a post Crop-Over Sunset Concert for Senior Citizens on 18th August 2012 at the Main Guard.

## Challenged

- The revised work programme at Boview will be completed this weekend.
- Residents of Boview will occupy the house within a week after completion of the work.

## **New Generations**

## **Interact**

- Still in the preparatory stages of chartering the new Interact club at Codrington High School (CHS).
- Convened two orientation meetings and prospective members have shown enthusiasm to get the club off the ground.
- They have forged ahead to start a "recycle project" at the school and have already done initial "leg work" with B's Recycling to source bins and necessary collateral for the project.
- The St. Michael School Interact Club is still conducting their customary Friday meetings
- Representation from our Club is very active.
- Rtn Ron Williams reported that they want to start a T shirt project and he has volunteered to assist with this endeavour

## **Rotaract**

- The Rotaract Club UWI was a bit quiet this month due to exams
- Attempted to engage a tour with some youth from the homework programme, but poor planning and caused project to be shelved.
- President Shanith has informed that it is their intention to take about 25-30 students from the Ann Hill School on a tour of Harrisons Cave in June.

## **JUNE IS FELLOWSHIP MONTH**

## Fellowship Project hits all the right notes

Music is an integral part of Grenada's culture, and children in Grenada start learning to play instruments at a young age. But when back-to-back hurricanes hit the Caribbean island nation in 2004 and 2005, an unfamiliar silence fell over devastated schools.

The International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians is bringing the music back. In its debut humanitarian project, it donated US\$2,500 to help rebuild the music program at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic School in Grenville. The school, which serves 500 students ages 5-15, lost all its musical instruments and books in the storms.

"Music inspires us all. It unites our children and enhances their feelings of self-worth and achievement," says Sister Lucy Gabriel, the school's director. The money helped purchase guitars, violins, music stands, and a partial set of steel pans, an important instrument in Caribbean music.



Children at St. Andrew's Roman Catholic School play with recorders donated by a member of the International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians

Fellowship member Peter Sotheran, of the Rotary Club of Guisborough & Great Ayton, Cleveland, England, presented the funds to the school in a ceremony last year. He also delivered an additional \$3,000 and 36 secondhand recorders (wind instruments valued at about \$28 each) that his club had collected from donors in England.

"Before I had finished unpacking, the children were experimenting to see what sounds they could produce," says Sotheran, whose club worked with the Rotary Club of Grenada East to rebuild the school's library.

The International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians was founded in 1972. Its 400 members organize musical performances at Rotary functions, including RI conventions. As part of its mission to promote musical literacy, the group has started funding other school and community projects similar to the one in Grenada.

# Join a Rotary Fellowship

The International Fellowship of Rotarian Musicians isn't the only show in town. There are more than 80 Rotary Fellowships. From sports and hobbies to professional interests, these groups draw members from around the world. They're just one more way Rotarians are promoting international fellowship, friendship, and service.

## PolioPlus





When polio is wiped off the planet, Rotarians' ingenuity will deserve much of the credit. Panda hot air balloon rides and polar plunges are just some of the creative ways Rotarians raised money for Rotary's Challenge and educated their communities about the need to eradicate the disease.

- **Biggest kicks:** The Kick Polio Out of Africa campaign, which launched in February 2010 in anticipation of the FIFA World Cup. It started with a symbolic kicking of a soccer ball signed by Nobel Peace Prize laureate and polio survivor Desmond Tutu.
- Most illuminating: The countless landmarks lit with the End Polio Now message, including the Pyramid of Khafre near Cairo; Frere Hall in Karachi, Pakistan; the Taipei 101 building in Taiwan; and the Colosseum in Rome
- Most likely to rise to great heights: The 10 skydivers who jumped over the Amazon River in Manaus, Brazil, with an End Polio Now banner, and the Polio Panda hot air balloon that was part of a fundraising project of the Rotary Club of Albany, Ore., USA
- Most record-setting: The more than 100 clubs in 23 countries, led by the Rotary Club of Grantham, England, that broke the Guinness world record for one-hour swimming on 25 February 2012. During the hour of 12:00-13:00 GMT, 5,207 participants across 15 time zones each swam over 100 meters, more than double the previous record. The event raised US\$87,500.
- Most driven: Rotarians in District 3291 (India), who drove in a race to solve puzzles and decipher clues at checkpoints across Kolkata while raising awareness about polio eradication, and Rotarians in Fortaleza, Brazil, who organized a 68-car caravan that drove 45 miles, showcasing End Polio Now stickers and raising US\$10,000 from corporate sponsors
- Most amazing story: Elementary school student Ian Schwartz, of Eugene, Ore., USA, who opted to collect donations for PolioPlus rather than receive birthday presents after reading the illustrated "Amazing Stories of Polio" in *The Rotarian*. Ian's earnings, matched by his parents and boosted by the Rotary Club of Eugene, totaled \$1,640.
- **Best dressed:** The Rotaract Club of Windsor, Ont., Canada, which raised C\$5,000 by hosting a fashion show, and the Rotary Club of Fremont Warm Springs Sunrise, Calif., USA, whose own fashion show raised more than US\$52,600
- Most stick-to-it-iveness: Interact clubs in District 3291 (India), which raised US\$3,200 by selling End Polio Now bumper stickers for a minimum donation of \$2 each
- Sweet staff award: Rotary International staff members, who held a Pies for Polio bake-off that raised just over US\$400. The winning pie was a classic pecan.
- Greenest thumb: The Rotary Club of Medford, Ore., USA, which sold 3,222 of its trademarked Goodbye Polio Rose bushes, raising more than \$50,000

## **MEETING SCHEDULE**

Thursday, June 14th, 2012 Fellowship Meeting

Thursday, June 21, 2012 Guest Speaker

Thursday, June 28, 2012 Year in Review

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **Club Anniversary**

No Club Anniversaries for this Period

## **Wedding Anniversary**

Shawn and Cheryl Franklin June 14
Donald and Molly Austin June 15
Richard and Margaret Blanchette June 16
Steve and Mary Cozier June 17

## **Birthday**

Deanne Ford (Robin) June 15 Browne, Michael June 15

## **TODAY'S GREETERS**

Today, June 14th

Kristoff Abbeloos Sanjay Amin

#### **NEXT WEEK'S GREETERS**

June 21th

Paul Ashby Donald Austin

## VISITING ROTARIANS

## Sonny Joseph

British Virgin Islands

# **Meeting Details**

At our Business Meeting held on Thursday, June 7, 2012.

Sgt-at-Arms: Jedder Robinson

Fines \$180Raffles \$82Attendance 57%

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Friday, June 15, 2012

Presentation to Breast Screening Clinic of Cancer Society at their offices

## Saturday, June 30th

Presidents Installation, Hilton Hotel

## **QUOTATION**

"The best thing you can do is the right thing; the next best thing you can do is the wrong thing; the worst thing you can do is nothing."

- Theodore Roosevelt

# ROTARY GRACE

**IMPORTANT NOTICE** 

## **Information for Club Bulletin**

Fellow Rotarians,

Please be reminded to send photos, articles or any other information to be included in the bulletin immediately after the weekly club meeting to Rotarian Kim Tudor at ktudor@nisebarbados.org.

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.

Bulletin Editor Kim Tudor