

# ROTANEWS

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# CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

#### President

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#### **Vice President**

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#### **Secretary**

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#### Treasurer

Nikita Gibson

### **Club Administration**

Randy Marshall

# Membership/Youth Service

Tamara Allman

#### **Public Image**

Keri Mapp

### **Community Service**

Katrina Alkins

# **International Service**

David Antrobus

#### **Immediate Past President**

Ermine Darroux-Francis

# Sergeant-at-Arms

Peter Arender





# Club Weekly Meetings Thursdays at 12.30 pm Hilton Barbados

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael

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# The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.



# ROTARY FOUNDATION

Today November 14th, 2024 is Nomination Day, which commences at 12:30pm at the Hilton Hotel

### Meeting Details – Nov 7th, 2024

**Guests** 

Jade White – PP Brenda Pope

Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors
None

Honorary Rotarians
None

Fines: BBD 124.00

Raffle: BBD 100.00 won by PDG Tony Watkins

Our next scheduled weekly meeting will be on November 21st, 2024, which will be a Fellowship Meeting and will commence at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel. Our guest speaker will be Hon. Rtn. Sgt. Kim Harris



# **Summary Minutes of the RCOB Meeting Held** on November 7th, 2024

Pres. Arlene called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m. and welcomed all present. She asked PP Erskine Thompson to lead the singing of the National Anthem, and the Rotary grace was recited before lunch was served.

\*Board Reports\*\*

<u>Dir. PP David Antrobus</u> — International Service Club's donations to the Annual Fund remained the same as last month however Dir David indicated that there may be an issue with the recording of direct donations online which he is seeking to have rectified.

- o The Club did "extremely well" with donations for the Polio Fund
- o Raised USD \$1.126.00 in October
- o Total donations YTD: USD \$1,800.00
- The Club is at 35% of its annual goal for the Annual Fund. Dir. David put out a challenge to those members who were not yet qualified for EREY to donate \$500.00 USD to the Annual Fund, which he will match with 500 points for up to 6 persons to qualify them for Paul Harris Fellow recognition. (Please full board report and chat for the amendment) He stated that the offer would be open until Giving Tuesday on December 3, 2024. Dir. Nikita took on this challenge and indicated that she made her donation during the meeting.
- Dir. David reminded members of the upcoming District Conference in Trinidad and Tobago. He stated that the next registration cut-off date is January 15, 2025 and that until that date the registration cost is USD \$505.00 + tax.
- He also reminded members of the next International Convention in Calgary and encouraged members to register before the next cut-off date of December 15, 2024 as the official Rotary partner hotels were filling up. The cost of registration for International Convention is currently \$525.00 USD.
- Dir David reminded members that Rotary Giving Tuesday is December 3, 2024 and he encouraged members to give to the Annual Fund in recognition of this date.
- PDG David Edwards also announced that there is a District Foundation talk occurring on Thursday November 14, 2024, online.

#### Dir Keri Mapp – Public Image

- Dir. Keri indicated that the Club is on track in respect of its public image goals so far. She informed that all the citation requirements for Quarter 1 had been completed.
- In Novembershe will be posting about the final donation from the NCD Project to the Diabetes Foundation which was recently completed. She noted that the focus for the rest of the quarter will be:
- Carrying out citation requirements for Rotary Elevate including newspaper articles, district newsletter recognition.
- Continued support for Carols by Candlelight and she encouraged members to participate in sharing the graphics
- o Continued support for Project Amai

Director Keri also provided an update for **Community Service on behalf of Dir Katrina Alkins**, who could not be present at the meeting.

 She is sued a reminder for members to submit their donations for the Shoe Box Project

- Upcoming project dates:
- o Senior Citizens Tea Party December 15, 2024
- o Pride of Workmanship Awards January 30, 2025
- The environmental committee is also seeking to provide rest stops at Coco Hill Forest in January 2025 and donating a hummingbird feeder to support pollinators in February 2025. More details to come.

**Treasurer Nikita** indicated that the Club is in good financial standing as at October 31, 2024. She stated that her detailed report will be submitted as part of the Secretary's report, which will be sent by email. She provided that there are some things to note in respect of her report including:

- Club project financial reports are also included in her wider report
- There are still a number of members with outstanding payments, as well as some members who are in credit – she encouraged members to review their financial position on Clubrunner
- She thanked Dir. David for his announcement of the donations made in respect of the Polio efforts

Sec. Jamella offered an update on behalf <u>of Dir Tamara Allman, Membership and Youth Service</u> who could not be present at the meeting –:

#### • EarlyAct

 Charles F. Broome continues to be enthusiastic and are working on plans for their Handing Over ceremony soon, as well as a Christmas Shoebox campaign

#### Interact

- St Michael School focused on breast cancer awareness in October and their meetings continue in earnest
- Codrington School has new faculty advisors who are getting up to speed on Rotary and they should be in a position to restart by the end of the month
- The Lodge School continues to meet weekly and are brainstorming strategies to attract younger members. Their focus continues to be community service and international service projects.
- RCOB has sponsored two Interactors to attend RYLA in Trinidad. They left on November 8, 2024.

#### Rotaract

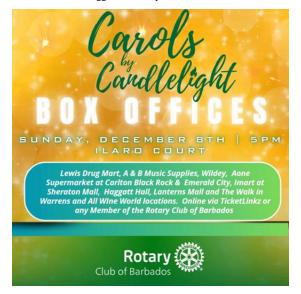
- Rotaract Club of Barbados had their first Club Forum for the year in October. While there was a low turnout, the discussions were productive.
- They also conducted phase 2 of their Project Elevate at the St George Secondary School on October 16, 2024 involving installing an aquaponics system.
- The Club also celebrated World Polio Day with a Joint Rotaract meeting and they participated in the walk on October 27, 2024 at the Garrison.
- Youth Elevation Scheme (YES) continues. This cohort runs from October 26 to December 14, 2024. There are 31 participants in this cohort
- Planning is ongoing for Building the Brand Called You and three schools have confirmed their participation so far.
- The Club will be conducting a classification analysis in December for planning purposes.

# Dir. Randy Marshall - Club Administration

- Dir. Randy indicated that attendance is steadily increasing. So far
  September has been our best month for attendance with 66% of the
  membership coming out to meetings and projects. He indicated
  that there are 6 members who have been totally absent for the year
  and efforts continue to reach out to them.
- The Club will be opening nominations for next year's Board on November 14, 2024 and there will be a talk by Honorary Rotarian Sgt. Kim Harris at our November 21, 2024 meeting
- Dir. Randy thanked members for attending the last two fellowship events being the Past Projects Bus Tour and the 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday event.

# PE Jeff Evelyn – Carols by Candlelight

- PE Jeff reminded members that there were 23 days before the start
  of December. He also noted that the project planning for Carols was
  being conducted by a "well-oiled" machine and that plans were
  going very well.
- He advised that the medialaunch will be held at the Barbados Light & Power Training room on November 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. and he encouraged members to attend if they are available.
- PE Jeff also praised PP Robin for his efforts with ticket distribution and for ensuring that all Rotarians and box offices got their tickets.
   He encouraged members to seek to sell 100% of the tickets so that this can be the "biggest Carols yet"



Please view link below to see full board report:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kXsPMQmxRNU-lteHVs8S-1uK61CtsMZA/view?usp=drive\_link

PP Denise Antrobus provided an update as lead for Project Amai

- She indicated that there have been 5 sessions so far and provided members some insight on how the project has been progressing. She advised that this week's session would be conducted by Honorary Rotarian Dr Angela Jennings.
- PP Denise also disclosed that she was currently in talks with Al Supermarkets to provide light breakfast items at no additional cost as the project committee noticed that some of the participants were coming hungry in the morning. She thanks Rtn. Heather, Stansfeld Scott and Dir Tamara for their respective contributions to the project so far.
- PP Denise further advised that the Club was able to purchase one hospital-grade pumping machine, sponsored by Hassell Shipping to

be donated to the QEH and that it was awaiting customs clearance. She also indicated that one of the project's participants was safely delivered of a baby girl that morning and that the project would be donating a starter-kit hamper to her as soon as possible

Pres. Arlene invited SAA Peter to discipline the Club and gave announcements of Anniversaries, Birthdays and Join Date Anniversaries





Apart from mixing and mingling with other Interactors our Ineractors really participated in RYLA this last weekend. Amongst other things they planned and executed a project on diabetes awareness.



# **Project Amai**

was presented to.

The topic this week was gratitude. The participants were asked to write a thank you letter to someone that has helped them in some way or means a lot to them. Hon. Rtn. Dr. Angela Jennings gave a presentation on 'Developmental Milestones'. We are pleased to announced the safe delivery of a baby girl to one of our participants, to whom the first 'Baby Starter Kit'





Dr. Jennings giving her presentation

# **Youth Elevation Scheme**

Toastmaster Donna was the main facilitator on Saturday. The topic for the day was 'Communication for better relationship', first point what is communication? Do you know what is good communication???? - The art of listening.



Human knot ice breaker

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

November 15th - Project Amai November 16<sup>th</sup> – YES Programme November 20th - RCOBS Trivia Night November 21<sup>st</sup> – Fellowship Meeting November 22<sup>nd</sup> – project Amai November 23rd -YES Programme November 28th – Fellowship Meeting November 29<sup>th</sup> – Project Amai November 29th - Last Day of Shoe Box Collection December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Giving Tuesday December 5<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting December 8th – Carols by Candlelight December 12th - Election Day -Guest Speaker Dr. Kimberly King December 14th – YES Programme December 15<sup>th</sup> – Senior Citizens Tea Party December 19th - Christmas Lunch

#### RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

November 16<sup>th</sup> – Tie Dye for a Cause

# **DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS**

April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26th, 2025 - District Conference, Trinidad

# **RCOBS Trivia Night**

RCOBS are having a Trivia night on Wednesday Nov 20th. We would appreciate if you would circulate info, in the event that any of your members would like to attend.

Please click the below link to respond and book your place at what promises to be a night of fun and great fellowship.

Location: Pommarine - Start time 6.30pm - Cost \$44.00

https://forms.gle/ejp7N8fcnWD5TN4V7







# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Birthdays Rotarians**

PP Oliver Jordan – November 17<sup>th</sup>
PP Ermine Darroux-Francis – November 19<sup>th</sup>

### **Birthdays – Partners-in-Service**

Terry – Hon. Rtn. Jeff Massay – November 14th

# **Wedding Anniversaries**

Dir Tamara & Jason Allman – 17 yrs – November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007

# Join Date Anniversary

Rtn. Dawn Greaves – 1 yr – November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Rtn. Ayesha Haniff – 1 yr – November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Rtn. Rachel Power – 1 yr - November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### 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

**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.

#### 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.







Bulletin Editor: PP Denise Antrobus

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