DISTRICT 7030 CLUB#6798 Chartered March 07, 1962



May 16th, 2024

ROTANEWS

R.I. OFFICERS

PresidentGordon R. McInally

President Elect Stephanie Urchick



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PATRON

HE The Most Honorable Dame Sandra Mason, FB, GCMG, DA, SC. President of Barbados

DISTRICT OFFICERS

District Governor Brian Glasgow

District Governor Elect Debbie Roopchand

District Governor Nominee

Soraya Warner-Gustave

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District Secretary Annette Mark

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Reuben John

Council of Governors Chair PDG Leslie Ramdhanny

District Rotary Foundation Officer PDG Waddy Sowma

District Disaster Relief Chair PDG David Edwards

District TRF Fundraising Chair PDG Roger Bose

District Conference Chair Shafia London-Williams





CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

President

Ermine Darroux-Francis

President Elect

Arlene Ross

Vice President

Elvin Sealy

Secretary

Jamella Forde

Treasurer

Peter Williams

Club Administration

Randy Marshall

Membership/Youth Service

Tamara Allman

Public Relations

Keri Mapp

Community Service

David Antrobus

International/Rotary Foundation

Neal Griffith

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Heather Tull

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The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.



Today May 16th, 2024 will be a Fellowship Meeting, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel.

Meeting Details – May 9th, 2024

Guests

Neil Taggert - Rtn. Savitri St. John

Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors

Pres. Natty Davis – RC Sinkor, Monrovia, Liberia Rtn. Kammie Holder – RCoB South

Honorary Rotarians

None

Housekeeping

Fines: BBD 279.00

Raffle: BBD 83.00 won by Rtn. Nigel

Our next scheduled meeting will be a Fellowship Meeting on May 23rd, 2024, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel.



May is Youth Service Month



Summary of the RCOB Meeting Held on May 9th, 2024

President Emine called the **Business Meeting** in the Garrison Room at the Hilton Barbados to order at 12.39. The meeting started with the singing of the National Anthem. Sarge Heather welcomed Guests and Visiting Rotarians.

Business Reports

President Ermine invited Secretary Jamella to present Reports in the absence of some Directors.

Secretary Jamella presented reports for Directors not present.

Rotary International: Donations exceeded the Annual Fund target of \$10,000.00 and are on track to achieving the revised target of \$14,000.00. Members who have not donated are encouraged to do so by downloading the Rotary.org website. Attention was also drawn to the Annual Polio Plus Donation now at \$12,682.00. She informed that there was a good turnout at the District Conference and that 16 members were registered for the International Conference in Singapore.

Public Relations: Citations have been completed. She informed of ongoing work on Public Relations for the Health Fair at Golden Square Freedom Park on May 11. Extensive Marketing and PR via: Capital Media, Hitz 106.7 and Mornin' Barbados. Volunteers requested for the Health Fair at Golden Square.

Community Service: Health Literacy and Screening for NCDs Project continued in Partnership with: Barbados Cancer Society, Bayview Hospital, Celima, Diabetes and Hypertension Association of Barbados; Diabetes Foundation: Heart & Stroke Association, Sagicor Life Screens: Pelican Marketing: Wibisco. Total health check screenings reached 1,159 with an estimated economic value of \$695,400.

Children's Beach Fun Day on Saturday April 27 was a great success. The Board gave notice of a donor of a marine wheelchair which will be onward donated to the Barbados Council of the Disabled.

Formal handover of Sign re Water Cooler for Paradise Football Club at Dover to be done at 4.00pm May 11.

Membership & Youth Service: Club supporting the upcoming Rotaract Exchange taking place in Canada by sponsoring the airfare for 1 Rotaractor to attend.

Director Randy, Club Administration reported Attendance at 61% and reminded members of the options for Makeups. He gave advance notice of the Special Guest Speaker for the meeting on the of May 23 in the person of retired Senator and Educator, Mr. Alwyn Adams on the topic "Education Transformation."

Youth Service: Schools were closed for Easter Holidays hence no activities at Wills Primary or Charles F Broome. Work continued with St. Gabriels School; kudos extended to PP Peter who built two benches for Early Act.

The Graduation Ceremony for the **YES Project was** held at the Conference Room of the Barbados Light and Power Co. Ltd. On April 15, culminating with the Planting of Peace Poles at the Police Boys and Girls Club on Bay Street.

Club Finance: PP Peter assured the club that its finances are in good order. He again stressed the importance of membership

dues and related payments to be made to the Rotary Club of Barbados. He informed that some 40 members were delinquent, and they were encouraged to settle before the end of the Rotary Year. The correct invoicing re Project payments to be made to Rotary Trust Projects managed by PP Ron Davis. **President Elect Arlene** informed of plans for 62nd. Installation of Officers on June 30, 2024, at Mahoghany Ridge. St. Thomas, at 5.00 pm. She urged members to register so that plans for catering could be completed. The In-coming Board is to meet to complete work on the Budget.

President Ermine informed:

The Board had agreed to donate \$5,000.00 towards the Mike Hulsmeier Fund.

She also thanked members for contributing \$6,505.00 to the **Urgent Appeal** of Rotary Club of Nairobi on the initiative of PP Alex in Kenya and the club was making plans to transfer the funds raised by May 14, 2024.

To see full report click on link below:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vlyY1P7t2Zv1iwlgs40BsIZ0sEDJN3Od/view?usp=sharing

The District Governor to visit on June 9-11.

President Ermine invited the visiting Rotarian President Natty Davis member of the Sankofa Pilgrimage to address the club. He informed that 265 persons sailed from Barbados in 1865 and settled in Liberia. The Sankofa Pilgrimages was an initiative of the Barbados Prime Minister.

Rotarian Nigel Winner of the raffle was happy to give President Natty the bottle of wine. President Ermine presented an RCOB Banner to President Natty to take back to his club in Liberia.

The Pinnacle event of our NCD Project

The pinnacle event of our NCD Project, the Health Fair, held on Saturday, May 11th, 2024, at Golden Square Freedom Park, proved to be a resounding success. Spearheaded by Project Manager Barbara, with support of Director Keri, and the dedicated efforts of the marketing team, Community Service Director David and President Ermine, the event was a testament to our collective commitment to combat non-communicable diseases (NCDs).

Initiated as 'Create Hope - Tell NCDS No' in August 2023, the project embarked on a journey across the 11 parishes of Barbados, conducting over 25 community screenings that benefited more than 1200 individuals, all at no cost. This project is funded under a global grant and the economic value is estimated to be more than \$700K.

This extensive outreach wouldn't have been possible without the collaboration and support of numerous stakeholders, including our dedicated Rotarians, the core Committee (PDG David, Pres Ermine, PP Elvin, PP Antro, PP Carole, PP Denise, PN Jeff, Rtn Barbara, Dir Keri, Rtn Katrina, Sec Jamella) members of the Rotaract Club of Barbados, President Krystal from Rotaract Club of Barbados - South, and Paul Harris Fellow Ricky.

Gratitude is extended to our esteemed community and corporate partners, as well as the Ministry of Health and Wellness, whose steadfast support contributed significantly to the success of our NCD Project. Special acknowledgment goes to organizations such as Sagicor Life Inc., Ross University School of Medicine, Bayview Hospital Group, Riomed Ltd – Cellma. Our other partners whose involvement was pivotal include the QEH Blood Collecting Centre, The Barbados Cancer Society, The Barbados Heart and Stroke Foundation, The Maria Holder Diabetes Centre for the Caribbean, Diabetes & Hypertension Association, Golden Square Freedom Park, National Sports Council, Pelican Market Supplies, and WIBISCO.

At the Health Fair, one of the highlights was the 'Rotary District 7030 Moves for COP' campaign, aimed at promoting an active and healthy lifestyle among children. Secretary Jamella and Rotarian Katrina led engaging activities designed to instill positive habits and address obesity from an early age.

The day concluded with an invigorating aerobics session led by PP Carole as part of our 'Let's Get Moving Campaign,' a funfilled activity enjoyed by all participants.

Media coverage captured the excitement of the event, amplifying our message and raising awareness about NCDs within the community.

Together, through our collective efforts, we are making significant strides toward fostering a healthier future for our children and communities.

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 23rd – Fellowship Meeting
May 25th-29th – International Convention
May 30th – Fellowship Meeting
June 9th-11th – DG Visit
June 30th – 62nd Installation of Officers

RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

May 1st-31st – The Rota Challenge

DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS

April 23rd – 26th, 2025 - District conference











ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays Rotarians

Rtn. Onika Stewart – May 16th PP Erskine Thompson – May 21st

Birthdays - Partners-in-Service

Curt Brathwaite – Rtn. Donna Knight Brathwaite – May 21st

Deborah – PP Roger Smith – May 21st

Wedding Anniversaries

None

Join Date Anniversary

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



