

## ROTA NEWS



Club of Barbados

District 7030 - Club # 6798 Chartered March 07, 1962

#### **PATRON**

HE Dame Sandra Mason, GCMG, DA. Governor General

#### DISTRICT OFFICERS

District Governor Dominique Véneré

**District Governor Elect** Trevor Blake

**District Governor Nominee** Lisle Chase

**Assistant Governor** Lisa Cummins

District Secretary Vincent Tacita

District Treasurer Charles François

Council of Governors Chair PDG Waddy Sowma

**District Rotary Foundation Chair** PDG Hervé Honoré

**District Grants Chair** PDG Milton Inniss

Council on Legislation PDG Tony Watkins



R.I Theme 2018-19

#### R.I. OFFICERS

**President** Barry Rassin

**President Elect** Mark Maloney

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 20, 2018

#### **Club Officers & Directors**

President Shawn Franklin

**President Elect** Peter Williams

**Vice President** John Cabral

Secretary Neal Griffith

**Treasurer (Acting)** Brian Cole

**Club Administration** Michael Browne

Membership/Youth Service Makonem Hurley

**Public Relations** Tracey Knight-Lloyd

**Community Service** Malcolm Vaughn

**International/Rotary Foundation** Adrian Skeete

**Immediate Past President** Paul Ashby

Sergeant-At-Arms Peter Arender

Weekly meetings on Thursdays at

**Hilton Barbados** 

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12 p.m.

P.O. Box 148B, Brittons Hill, St. Michael, Barbados www.clubrunner.ca/barbados

#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WEL-COMES ALL VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798 RI THEME: BE THE INSPIRATION

**DECEMBER IS: DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT MONTH** 

Today's meeting is a Fellowship Meeting - Annual Family Christmas Lunch

#### **RECAP OF DECEMBER 13, 2018 FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

This week's meeting was dominated by housekeeping matters related to our several Christmas programmes. Members were admonished to turn in the proceeds from their ticket sales for the recently concluded Carols by Candlelight. PP Ron sternly reminded members that cheques should be made out to the Rotary Trust Fund Projects and warned that each member is responsible for the tickets issued to them.

Dir Malcolm addressed the delivery of the Christmas gifts which were collected at Carols by Candlelight to the less fortunate children. Friday December 14, 2018 was designated for gift delivery. Dir Malcolm mentioned that start time would be 3:30 p.m. and some members suggested that a 2:30 p.m. start would be more suitable, he indicated that the first stop would be the Israel Lovell Foundation.

This announcement generated a very lively discussion, PP Elvin and some other members expressed concern about the Club appearing to be affiliated with a private organization.

Dir Malcolm also indicated that gifts would be taken to the Nightingale Children's Home and to the Child Care Board. The latter promoted some members to speak up, expressing concern that giving the gifts to the Child Care Board puts the responsibility of the gift distribution into the hands of that organization leaving the Club unaware of where or how they are distributed, and more importantly, does not give the Club the opportunity to interact with the children.

Rtn. Commander Willie explained how and why the Israel Lovell Foundation was selected after there were scheduling clashes with a large corporate organization's big Christmas party and our lack of interest in competing with them. This explanation did not sit well with some members and again a healthy discussion ensued. PDG David indicated that he did not hold the view that the Club should change what it has been doing for many years as a result of these scheduling issues, but rather we should work towards simply working out a timetable to avoid clashes.

PP Ron related a personal incident to drive home the point that leaving gifts with the Child Care Board may not be the best course of action. Rtn. Commander Willie explained that the Children's Homes receive a large amount of gifts during the Christmas season and that the gifts which are left with the Child Care Board are distributed to less fortunate children in the communities, he also confirmed that there will be interaction with the children.

Pres. Shawn then indicated that the concerns about the Israel Lovell Foundation have been addressed and the Foundation has been vetted to his satisfaction. He also explained that although we wish to help, we are not in a position to truly know who are the children who are most in need and the Child Care Board is best placed to determine this.

PEE Fiona then reminded the Club about the Christmas parties and gift giving scheduled for Friday December 21, 2018 at the Sterling Children's Home and the Farr's Children's Home. The children have submitted their Christmas gift wish list and PEE Fiona explained that she had not yet received commitments from members to purchase all the gifts for the children and it would not be feasible to deliver gifts to just some of the children. Some members requested clarification on the difference between the Friday December 14 event and the Friday December 21 event and PEE Fiona explained that December 14 deals with the younger children and December 21 deals with the older children.

Director Michael then reminded the club of the family Christmas lunch which would take place on Thursday December 20 and encouraged members to invite their family and come prepared for carol sing along.



Above: A cross section of the meeting



Above: Rtn. Commander Willie was the lucky winner of the Raffle



# THE LIGHT IN A Child's eyes IS ALL IT TAKES TO MAKE Christmas A MAGICAL TIME OF THE YEAR



MEETING DETAILS— December 13, 2018

Sergeant-At-Arms: Peter Arender

Attendance: 59% Fines: \$208 Raffle Proceeds: \$107

Raffle winner: Rtn. Commander Willie Kirton







FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS TO ALL OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY



#### **GREETERS FOR DECEMBER**

Dec 20 Rtn. Dr. Albert Best and IPP Paul Ashby Dec 27 Rtn. Geoffrey Hart and Rtn. Meryl Stoute

#### **GREETERS FOR JANUARY**

Jan 03 PEE Fiona Hinds and Rtn. Alex Whitehead

Jan 10 Director Makonem Hurley and Secretary Neal

Jan 17 Rtn. Arlene Ross and PP Erskine Thompson

Jan 24 AG Senator Lisa and Rtn. Steve Cozier

Jan 31 Director Michael and PE Peter Williams

#### OUR GUESTS— December 13, 2018

#### **Visiting Rotarians:**

PP David Druett—Rotary Club of Knaresborough, Yorkshire, England

#### **Guests:**

Chandy Kirin—Guest of visiting PP. David Druett

### 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.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Jan 10 - FOUR WAY TEST DAY

Jan 24 - GUEST SPEAKER

#### **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.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Wedding Anniversary**

PP CQ Williams and 49 years Dec 20 1969

Dr Marion Williams

PP Tony Williams and 43 years Dec 27 1975

**Beverley Williams** 

#### **Birthday - Rotarians**

None this week.

#### **Birthday - Partners in Service**

Suzanne Davis - PP Ron Davis Dec 22
Beverley Williams - PP Tony Williams Dec 22
Grace Phillips - PP Dr. Grenville Phillips Dec 25
Phyllis Reece - PP Tony Reece Dec 27

#### **Join Date Anniversary**

Kim Tudor 8 years Dec 24 2010

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

December 27 – Club Runner Day Members are encouraged to walk with their laptops and other devices for practical demonstrations.

Session Leader—Steve F. Cozier -

December 28—President's Gala will be held at the residence of PP Andrew & Joyce Bynoe and promises to be a grand event.



Bulletin Editor: Rtn. Arlene Ross