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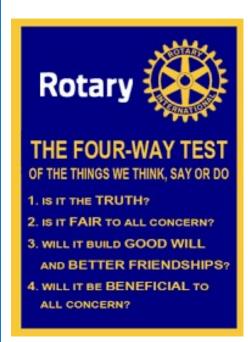
Jun 20th, 2024

ROTANEWS

R.I. OFFICERS

President Gordon R. McInally

President Elect Stephanie Urchick



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

Assistant Governor Paul Ashby

District Secretary Annette Mark

District Treasurer 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

PATRON

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

Immediate Past President

Tracey Knight-Lloyd

Sergeant-at-Arms

Heather Tull





CREATING HOPE IN **OUR COMMUNITY**

Club Weekly Meetings Thursdays at 12.30 pm **Hilton Barbados**

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The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.



<u>Rotary Fellowships</u> are international, independently organized groups of people that share a common hobby, profession, or shared identity. They contribute to Rotary's mission of creating a united global community and offer avenues of meaningful connection.

Today June 20th, 2024 will be a Fellowship Meeting, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel. This is our last meeting of the Rotary Year, 2023-2024







Our next scheduled meeting will be a Business Meeting on July 4th, 2024, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel. This will be the first meeting of the Rotary Year 2024-2025.

There are no Summary minutes for June 13th as DG Brian Glasgow was visiting Barbados

Notes of the District Governor's Cocktail Reception held at the 3W's Oval, UWI On June 11th, 2024

President Gail Reeves of RCOBW, Chaired the Joint Meeting of Rotarians from the three local clubs, Rotaractors and special invitees from Barbados Community College, Diamonds International. National Sports Council.

The Opening Prayer was offered by Rotaract President Melanie Goodridge.

President Ermine of the Rotary Club of Barbados welcomed all and was thrilled to see so many joining to make the District Governor's visit such a memorable experience. She noted that during the year the Barbados Clubs have worked together on many initiatives. These included Mental Health Support and The End Polio campaign, all in collaboration with the other three Service Clubs: Lion, Optimist and Kiwanis. The synergy created by these efforts culminating in benefits to members, organizations, communities, thereby fostering a stronger sense of purpose and accomplishments. A special welcome was extended to corporate and social partners, Sagicor, Ross University, Bayview Hospital, Urgent Care who have supported our community efforts. On behalf of the three Rotary Clubs, Rotaractors, members of the Interact Club a welcome was extended to District Governor Brian Glasgow.

Assistant District Rotaract Representative, Scott Chandler added his Welcome to the District Governor on behalf of Rotaractors.

Assistant Governor Paul Ashby gave a Brief Bio of the District Governor. Brian Glasgow joined the Rotary Club of St. Vincent in 1988 and served as President 1993-1994. The year after his Presidency he was appointed Assistant Governor to District Governor Rupert Cheekes and on nine other occasions. A multiple Paul Harris Fellow, member of The Paul Harris Society and a Charter member of The Polio Plus Society. He is a Chartered Accountant with a Master's Degree in Finance specializing in insolvency. Formerly a partner of KPMG he now works as an independent Financial Services Provider specializing in Finance and Restructuring. Past President of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce and Honorary Consul of Sweden to St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Board member of several public and private sector boards and Commissioner on the Regional judicial and Legal Services Commission of the Caribbean Court of Justice and Chairman of the Fiscal Responsibility Mechanism of St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

District Governor's address.

District Governor thanked Rotary Clubs for the "Remarkable welcome at the airport". His Visit with the President of the Senate was engaging and entertaining. He noted that whereas generally Covid-19 had a diminishing effect on membership, the Rotary Clubs in

Barbados had grown significantly with average membership well over 60. He therefore came to Barbados with high expectation. He referenced the analogy of the Prime Minister of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Dr. Gonsalves in an article called "The Idea of Barbados" and agreed that the values identified by PM Gonsalves were replicated in local clubs in terms of the Model of Governance, Way of Life, Social Order.

The Clubs in Barbados were commended for projects that fit into the Seven Areas of Focus of Rotary.

Special mention was made of the Feeding Programme at the Good Shepherd Primary School. Noting that Tourism dependent countries live in two worlds; poverty still exists; and the Good Shepherd project was a prime example of Rotary engagement. DG Brian shared that the St. Vincent Community College was erected on the Barbados Community College model as an example of how we can learn from each other.

The DG commended the "excellent work" done with and for young people at the School House for Special Needs Children. He cited two tests for an excellent project as: Firstly: "Walk away smiling" and secondly: "Walk away with tears in your eyes". These projects "provide the purpose for our passion". He experienced the "raison detre" of Rotary in Barbados.

The DG thanked the clubs, Rotaract and Interact for their work with the Rotary Foundation and reminded that "we are beneficiaries of the Rotary Foundation". The people of St. Vincent personally understood the value of the Rotary Foundation having received US\$ 25,000.00 in a matter of days. Thanks were extended to the people of Barbados who sent water to St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Indeed, the value of support to St. Vincent and the Grenadines in their time of need exceeded US\$ 3million.

In a review of the diverse nature of District 7030 he informed that he visited several clubs in 17 territories including 3 in South America, many races and ethnicities but all one family – "Rotary does not see color". He lauded the remarkable experience of District Visits in an area of air and sea transportation challenges.

There were administrative and organizational challenges characterized by intergenerational conflict.

Differences between older and younger Rotarians.

Older Rotarians not appreciating the enthusiasm of youth should respect the energy.

Younger Rotarians need to take time to understand the culture of the club and to create meaningful change to understand values before imposing change.

The DG noted that as the Rotary Year ends "in 18 days" clubs were in Transition and advised "continuation of projects that are good and make contact". Full use should be made of PDG's in retirement and support the new District Governor. Special recognition was given to PDG's David and Sonia who "continue to be involved". He was himself humbled to have been selected coming from a small country with 2 clubs to be DG in a district of so many clubs.

Thanks were extended to AG Paul who was there for him "Every waking moment". He concluded "Thanks for making me like a home-grown Bajan".

The Vote of Thanks was given by President Marcell of RCOBS who extended thanks to DG Brian wishing him "Bon Voyage", to AG Paul for organizing the DG's visit, to Corporate Partners and "Ambassadors of their Brand" for their benevolence and Sweat Equity. The caterers for their culinary delights. Pan Music by a "pannist" of the BCC, The team at Rotary West and Sound Technicians.

AG Paul presented the DG with a "small token" of appreciation for his visit. Presentation of Certificates were made to RCOB and RCOBs for their contributions to the Polio Plus programme. DG's parting words: "Never doubt that a small group of committed citizens can change the world".



DG Brian's arrival at GAIA



Members of our board, our satellite club, and ADRR Scott representing rotaract clubs in Barbados met with DG Brian and AG Paul.



Tour of the schoolhouse with DG Brian

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 27th - **NO MEETING**June 30th - 62nd Installation of Officers
July 4th - Business Meeting

RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

June 30th – RaCOB Pastel and Brunch Handing Over Ceremony and Awards

DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS

April 23rd – 26th, 2025 - District conference, Trinidad





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays Rotarians

None

<u>Birthdays – Partners-in-Service</u>

None

Wedding Anniversaries

Rtn. Scott & Sharon Oran – 44 yrs – June 22nd, 1980

Join Date Anniversary

Rtn. Alvaro Holder – 4 yrs – June 20th, 2020 Dir. Neal Griffith – 12 yrs – June 21st, 2012 Rtn. Makonem Hurley – 12 yrs – June 21st, 2012 PP Roger Smith – June 22nd, 1995 Rtn. Posha Doyle – 5 yrs – June 23rd, 2019

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.





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