

**DISTRICT 7030**  
**CLUB#6798**  
Chartered March 07, 1962

**Mar 21st, 2024**

# ROTANEWS

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**Sergeant-at-Arms**  
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**Club Weekly Meetings**  
**Thursdays at 12.30 pm**  
**Hilton Barbados**

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,  
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## The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.



Today, March 21<sup>st</sup>, there will be **NO MEETING** today due to the club forum being held on Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

### Meeting Details – March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

#### Guests

Gillian Applewhaite – AG Paul Ashby  
Alex Hargleroad – PEN Deems Hargleroad  
Judy Hart – Rtn Freddy Hart

#### Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors

PEN Alex Hargleroad – The Port Collins Foothills RC

#### Honorary Rotarians

None

#### Housekeeping

Fines: BBD 185.00

Raffle: BBD 122.00 won by Rtn Adrian Sealy

Our next scheduled meeting will be a Fellowship Meeting on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024, which commences at 12:30pm at the Hilton Hotel.



## Summary of the RCOB Meeting Held on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024

President Ermine opened the meeting at 12:30 pm with the singing of the National Anthem and the Rotary Grace.

Guests were introduced, and the President Ermine pinned three Paul Harris Fellows – PP Jedder, Paul Harris Fellow +2, PP Erskine, Paul Harris Fellow + 2 and PP Robin, Paul Harris Fellow +3. President Ermine thanked them for their contribution to the Foundation. She informed the members that there were now 56 Paul Harris Fellows in the Club, one being in the Satellite Club.

President Ermine then thanked those Rotarians who have been helping weekly with the YES Program and the Heath Screening Program, and Director Randy for last Sunday's Founder's Day Fellowship Event at the home of PDG David and PIS Donna.

Lunch was then served.

After lunch President Ermine introduced PDG David with a reading of his extensive bio.

Please click on link below for PDG David's bio.

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000007241/en-ca/files/homepage/pdg-david-edwards-bio/BioDavidEdwards2023Short.pdf>

PDG David spoke to the Club on "Being a Rotarian".

PDG David will have been a Rotarian for 46 years on 11<sup>th</sup> April. He shared with the Club his philosophy, which was to be involved in the Club and its projects.

PDG David became a Rotarian in Grenada, where immediately on joining the Club, he was given the attendance register, as a means of getting to know the members, each of whom would be called every week and reminded to attend.

PDG David returned to Barbados in early 1979 when the Bank where he worked exited Grenada due to the political situation present on the island at the time. On his return, he became a member of the Rotary Club of Barbados. He had just opened his business but was thrown directly into the Chain Link Project, which he worked on every week until it came off in November 1979.

He was asked to be President of the Club in 1981, but did not take up the offer until 10 years later.

He was involved in the hosting of a District Conference on only 4 weeks' notice when it had to be moved from Suriname, but with the assistance of Rotary West they pulled off a successful event at Sam Lord's Castle.

PDG David told the Club that members need to know the families and Partners in Service of their fellow Rotarians in

the Club – that this is an important part of being a member. One must contribute to the Club, and not be a RINO.

He himself told of getting involved with the Club's disaster relief efforts, with which he is still involved. He told the Club about the first disaster relief effort with which he was involved, the first Montserrat eruption, when relief items were sent using a borrowed skyvan plane operated by the Barbados Defense Force.

PDG David said that disaster relief might sometimes look easy on the outside, but there are many considerations not seen up front. Raising funds is actually the easy part. He shared his memories of one of the worst disasters he has assisted with, Hurricane Ivan in Grenada in 2004. He spoke about displacement of people who had lost businesses and homes, but described the spirit of the Rotarian in Grenada who was leading the effort there, with no roof on most of his house, but who deferred receiving help himself because others needed it more. This, PDG David said, was the spirit of a Rotarian.

Since PDG David was District Governor up till today, together with PP Lionel who was his District Treasurer he still has control of the disaster relief funds raised by our District, and they have kept careful records and can say how all of the money raised has been spent.

On the International front, PDG David says it has been an honour to have served, but this has its challenges, when one sees the problems in other regions. He told the Club it can hold its own in any part of world with the service it gives, and encouraged Rotarians to come out and help.

SAA Heather then disciplined the Club, and photos and video clips of last Sunday's Founder's Day Fellowship Event at the home of PDG David and PIS Donna were displayed.

President Ermine announced birthdays and anniversaries and the upcoming week's announcements.

The meeting ended at 1:35 pm with a toast to Rotary International.

### Model United Nations (MUN)

The three Rotary clubs in Barbados annually host a Mini Model United Nations Assembly for secondary school students. The Model United Nations exposes students to the topical international issues being addressed by the international community, creates awareness of the substantive considerations attached to those issues as well as the respective country positions taken, based on unique national interests by different countries in the General Assembly of the United Nations. Students act as representatives from different countries and together seek resolutions on relevant issues. It is an extraordinary opportunity for students to become immersed in the workings of a multilateral environment.

President Ermine made the following comments, 'Congratulations to Hon. Rotarian Past President Lisa and the Model UN Leadership Team PDG David and PDG Sonya on a well-executed joint club Youth Assembly: 11 years and counting. Feedback from the Delegates said it all. Well done Team. I recognize the Volunteers and the RCoB Support Team who showed up.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

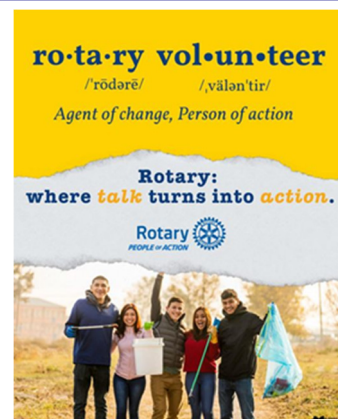
- March 23<sup>rd</sup> – Club Forum
- March 27<sup>th</sup> – NCD Project
- March 28<sup>th</sup> - Fellowship Meeting
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> – NCD Project
- April 4<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting
- April 6<sup>th</sup> - Y.E.S.
- April 11<sup>th</sup> - Fellowship Meeting
- April 13<sup>th</sup> - Y.E.S. Graduation
- April 27<sup>th</sup> – Children's Beach Day

### RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

April 27<sup>th</sup> – Spirited – Heritage Rum and Cuisine – Rotaract Club of Barbados

### DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS

District 7030 Conference - St. Vincent  
April 18 – 20, 2024



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**WED 27 MAR 2024**  
8 A.M. - 12 P.M.  
\*REGISTRATION ENDS AT 11:15 P.M.

**AVAILABLE SCREENING TESTS**

- Height
- Weight
- Heart Rate
- Cholesterol
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AND  
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**THE WILDEY GYMNASIUM**  
ACCESS THROUGH THE MAIN ENTRANCE DOWNSTAIRS

**Rotaract**  
Club of Barbados

*Spirited*  
**THE HERITAGE OF RUM & CUISINE**

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SATURDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2024

FOURSQUARE RUM DISTILLERY,  
FOUR ROADS, ST. PHILIP

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Birthdays Rotarians**  
Rtn Scott Oran – March 22<sup>nd</sup>  
PP Ron Davis – March 25<sup>th</sup>  
Rtn. Michael Jordan – March 27<sup>th</sup>

**Birthdays – Partners-in-Service**  
None

**Wedding Anniversaries**  
PP Grenville & Grace Phillips – 62 yrs – Mar 24<sup>th</sup>, 1962

**Join Date Anniversary**  
Rtn. Ramon Grant – 6 yrs – March 26<sup>th</sup> 2018

**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.

**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.



**Bulletin Editor: PP Denise Antrobus**