

ROTA®NEWS

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Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

Chartered March 07, 1962 District 7030



The Rotary Club of Barbados

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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity R.I. Theme 2011-2012

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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?

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at **Hilton Barbados**

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

P.O. Box 148B, Brittons Hill, St. Michael, Barbados

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December Message from RI President

My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary,

In late August, Binota and I were in Ghana, where Rotary Foundation Trustee Vice Chair Sam Okudzeto and enthusiastic local Rotarians took us to the ribbon-cutting for a water project in a little village, Abutia Teti, about 60 miles from Accra. We arrived at about 11 a.m., and the whole village seemed to be there. Everyone had been waiting since early morning to welcome us. In the past, the women had to walk over 3 miles to carry pails of water from a river. Now they had a supply of safe, clean water from tube wells in the village itself. It was a simple but effective project in which Rotary and USAID had worked together. But what struck us most that day was family: The men, the women, the children were all there together, dancing, singing, and welcoming us. It made me think about how everywhere around the world, people come together in families, and families join together as communities.

And this made me happy that the first of our emphases in this Rotary year is the family, because the family is where everything begins. It is where life begins, it is where our day begins, and it is where our Rotary service must begin. Because it is the family, and not the individual, that is the building block of the community - and of Rotary.

It is one of my great priorities to encourage the involvement of families in Rotary service. I feel incredibly strongly that Rotary should never, ever come between the Rotarian and the family. Rotary service should be something that brings the family closer together. For myself, if I cannot bring Binota with me to a Rotary event, it's simple - I don't go! Rotary is not just for me; it is for both of us. This is why I encourage districts to welcome families at district conferences, to involve spouses and children in service projects, and to plan meeting times with families in mind. The more that families are involved in Rotary, the more Rotary will thrive - today and tomorrow.

What is Rotary about? It's about so many things, but at its core, Rotary is about these words: Love your neighbor as yourself. Rotary is about love, and that love has to start with us - and with those closest to us.





Christmas Message from President Brenda

Dear Friends

This holiday season and the start of a new year provide a wonderful opportunity for us to take stock and reconsider our priorities and the goals we set for ourselves. This is also a time for reflecting on the importance of friends and family and for remembering and acknowledging the many good things we are fortunate enough to enjoy.

Christmas is also a time for us to think about how we can contribute to making the world around us a little better each day. This year's Rotary International theme is particularly relevant at this time of year, in light of the difficult economic times globally which continue to negatively impact the lives of the most vulnerable in our society. As we in Rotary focus on finding ways to Reach Within to Embrace Humanity, we are also at the same time working towards supporting, caring and easing the burden of the many needy and less fortunate around us, especially children and the elderly.

I urge each of us to rededicate ourselves to the true meaning of Rotary as we all celebrate the Spirit of Christmas.

Let me take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you and your families a Blessed Christmas and Peace, Joy, Health and Happiness in 2012.



Rotarians Spread Christmas Cheer

During Carols by Candle light several of the large number of patrons donated toys to assist Rotarian in further distributing Xmas cheer.



 $Few \ days \ ago \ members \ of \ the \ Rotary \ Club \ of \ Barbados \ visited \ a \ number \ of \ institutions \ for \ children \ to \ distribute \ gifts \ which \ were \ collected$







Rotarians are seen distributing gifts which were collected at Carols by Candlelight to children in our community.



At our Fellowship Meeting held on Thursday, December 15, 2011

Sgt-at-Arms: PP Stanley MacDonald

Fines \$225.70
 Raffles \$145.00
 Attendance 61%



"Yeah, we Photoshopped you a tad for the youth target market..."



MEETING SCHEDULE

Thursday, December 22nd, 2011 Christmas Lunch

Thursday, December 29th Fellowship meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Club Anniversary

Kim Tudor December 24

Wedding Anniversary

Carl & Beverley Williams December 27 Anthony & Phyllis Reece December 28

Birthdays

Suzanne Davis (Ronald)

Beverley Williams (Carl)

Grace Phillips (Grenville)

Phyllis Reece (Anthony)

December 22

December 25

December 28

GUEST

Rotarian Guest Lisa Cummins **Brenda Pope Cheryl Burnett** Kim Tudor Pele Eminett Andrew Bynoe Penelope Hynam **Andrew Bynoe Yohance Lewis Oreilly Lewis** Clifford Clarke **Arthur Jones Angele Jones** Clifford Clarke

Chandry Koria (guest of) David Duett – Yorkshire

Election Results 2012 – 2013

President (2013-2014) - Ron Davis

Vice President (2012-2013) Stanley MacDonald

Board (2012-2013)

Treasurer - Anthony Shaw Secretary - Jomo Hope Directors - Carol Belgrave

Jedder Robinson Waldo Clarke Sean Franklin Joel McCarthy Ivan Browne

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, January 14, 2012

President's Party at President Brenda's House (Contribution to be finalized after Christmas)

Saturday, January 28, 2012

Leadership Training/Forum with 3 clubs at BL&P Training Room from 9am-12pm

TODAY'S GREETERS

Today, December 22nd

Joel McCarthy John Mayers

NEXT WEEK'S GREETERS

December 29th

Alex McDonald Lionel Moe

VISITING ROTARIANS

Soul Seltzer New Jersey David Duett Yorkshire

Keith Richards North Dade, Miami

David Collymore South Africa

QUOTATION

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world .~Anne Frank

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 Kim Tudor