

# ROTA NEWS



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

#### **PATRON**

HE Dame Sandra Mason, GCMG, DA.

Governor General

#### DISTRICT OFFICERS

**District Governor** Trevor Blake

District Governor Elect Lisle Chase

**District Governor Nominee** 

Sonya Alleyne

Assistant Governor Lisa Cummins

District Secretary Leah Sahely

District Treasurer Howard McEachrane

Council of Governors Chair PDG Dominique Vénéré

District Rotary Foundation Chair PDG Milton Innies

**District Special Projects Chair - NCDs** PDG Tony Watkins

District Governor Special Advisor PDG David Edwards

District Training Chair/RLI Director DGN Sonya Alleyne

#### POTADY



#### R.I. OFFICERS

**President** Mark Maloney

**President Elect** Holger Knaack

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?

April 23, 2020

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

President

Peter Williams

**President Elect** Fiona Hinds

Vice President Elvin Sealy

**Secretary** Ermine Darroux

**Treasurer**Meryl Stoute

**Club Administration** Carl "Tony" Williams

Membership/Youth Service Makonem Hurley

**Public Relations**Arlene Ross

Community Service Adrian Skeete

**International/Rotary Foundation** Heather Tull

Immediate Past President Shawn Franklin

**Sergeant–At–Arms**Peter Arender

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

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael at 12:30 p.m.

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

### THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS WELCOMES ALL VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798

RI THEME: ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD









This week will be a Fellowship Meeting. Our Guest Speaker will be Dr. Justin Ram, Director of Economics, CDB. He will discuss with the Club "The impact of COVID-19 on Caribbean Economies."

Prior to joining the CDB, Dr. Ram worked with Worley Parsons as a Senior Global Economist, with the UK Department for Transport as Supervisory Economist, and with the Greater London Authority. He also taught at the London School of Economics and Political Science and was Lecturer in Economics at UWI, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago.

Dr. Ram's specialises in energy and development economics and has worked as a consultant on many oil and gas and energy-related projects in Central Asia and Africa and with the World Bank, United Nations and the International Labour Organization.

He holds a PhD from the London School of Economics and Political Science, an MSc. from the University College London, and a BSc in Economics from UWI. He also has a Post Graduate Certificate in sustainable environmental management from the University of California, Berkeley.

#### Last Week's Activities - April 16

#### Agenda

The Reports from the Board of the RCoB Update COVID 19 Essentials Relief Effort Attendance for Apr 16 - 92%

Prayer by PP Michael

Rotary International District 3860 Philippines
Shared from Rotary Prayers Book.

Adapted, April 15, 2020

Lord of the Universe, Rotarians world-wide acknowledge your power, and your expectation that

we be of Service to Mankind

We ask that you always guide and direct our club, its leaders and our actions.

#### Last Week's Activities - April 16. Cont'd

Grant that each of us may feel our responsibility to Rotary, to our community, to our country, and indeed to all countries and peoples.

At this time as we journey on the New Normal COVID 19 Road – let us take a step back and be mindful and thoughtful of those who are less fortunate than we may be, those who have lost loved ones and are finding it difficult to mourn, those in the Medical Field who give support on a daily basis, grant them the strength and support as they Give Service Above Self.

We reaffirm our commitment to our simple Rotary Four Way Test for all we do and support:

We therefore reaffirm our commitment to high ethics in all we do.

And we give thanks for all the blessings, opportunities and responsibilities that befall us as Rotarians. Bless our fellowship today, and when we have our meal - bless the food to the nourishment of our bodies, in your service. Let us continue to strive to make a better world. Amen.

#### SUMMARY- PRESIDENT PETER

#### President Peter gave "Shout Outs" to the following:



- Rotarian Winston Warren and his able support in the preparation for COVID-19 Essentials
- District 7030 Training (Rotary Foundation Grants
   April 15 conducted PDG Milton)
- Rotaract Club of Barbados and their recognition in Q2 of District Awards— Director Makonem was rec-

ognized for his leadership in that area

- Director Adrian—Blood Donations—Make A Call—set up a Visit

   it maybe your life being saved!!!!
- Joint Project "Mask Project" with RCoB-South—Donation \$5,000.00
- COVID-19 Essentials Relief Project, ongoing
- Club Forum—April 30 from 6:00 p.m.

#### SUMMARY OF REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Club Membership—Target 90 by June 30, 2020—Currently at 88
Club Forum - Agenda & Related information

Donations to the Rotary Foundation - These are currently at 50% of our pledge. US\$4,900. Members were urged to continue giving. Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) was recommended. We encourage members to make a donation to RI Foundation by clicking on this link <a href="https://my.rotary.org/en/donate">https://my.rotary.org/en/donate</a>. Thereafter, log in with your RI password to ensure the donation is reflected under your profile. We recommend the Annual Fund program as it supports grant funding for our District.



<u>Club Administration—PP Tony</u> **Rota News**—Publications continue

Club Forum—Confirmation of Start time

By Laws - Revised - To be discussed at the Forum



#### Public Relations - Arlene

Articles are being posted on the usual Social media Platforms COVID-19 Essentials

Request for Stories - "What new are you doing because of COVID-19?"

Request from ClubRunner—Include this medium for placement of

### Last Week's Activities – April 16. Cont'd SUMMARY OF REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Community Service—Adrian



**The Composting Project** - This has been put on hold, at this time. The Club will be advised. Sharen Lady Carmichael has offered her support

**Blood Donations** – Donations are urgently required. There is the requirement to call and make an appointment



International Service - Heather

**District Peace Committee-2020-21**—DGN Sonya Alleyne has asked Director Heather to serve on the Committee **District PDG Training**— The Three presentations in the District 7030 Training programme can be found on the District Website

DG Visit - Proposed date—July

reasurer - Meryl



**Online Payments**—When making payments a copy of the transactions is to be sent to the Treasurer. Details are:

Name: Rotary Club of Barbados
Bank Name: The Bank of Nova Scotia
Branch Transit No / Name: 40055 / Broad Street, Bridgetown

Bank ABA No / Account No.: 000000003 / 009008684





**Barbados Covid-19 Essentials Relief Effort 'Stronger Together'** 

The Rotary Club of Barbados, through its charitable fund, Rotary Trust Fund Projects Inc., has partnered with like-minded citizens led by Monique Archer, to mobilize the distribution of essential food items and supplies to support Barbadians most impacted economically by Covid-19. We are conscious that the Government of Barbados has announced the creation of the Barbados Adopt Our Families Programme and are of the view that our role will complement the Government's initiative.

The Covid-19 Essentials team has identified suppliers willing to provide items at cost or discount for a basic 'basket of goods' to be delivered to families in need. Each basket of items will cost approximately BB\$200 and the goal is to provide 150 baskets weekly in the initial stages and increase as the need arises and funds are available. We will work with well established charitable organizations, such as the **Salvation Army** and the **Barbados Red Cross**, who already have mechanisms for the distribution of these goods and the means to identify those persons impacted by the pandemic through loss of work. These organizations will follow proper protocols to avoid spreading the virus.

Rotary's main role will be to receive funds from donors We are inviting Rotarians who wish to do so, to support this initiative and help alleviate hardship and suffering by giving generously. You can make the donation to the Rotary Trust Fund Projects Inc. at the following bank account.

Account Name: Rotary Trust Fund Projects
Address: 61 Grand View Cliffs, The Mount, St. George
Bank: Scotiabank, Broad Street, Bridgetown

Bank Branch #: 40055 Account Number: 9008685 You can execute a bank to bank transfer from your account direct to the account. You will need to provide details of the transfer as it does not always show on the statement and the bank does not provide notification. Rotarians donating \$200 or more and who wish to utilize the donation as a tax deduction will need to inform PP Ron so that he can upload the information to your BRA TAMIS account. Details should be sent via email to PP Ron Davis at ron@luxecaribbeanproperties.com.

Should you have any queries you can contact PDG David Edwards or President Peter Williams.

#### **UPDATE BY PP RON & ROTARIAN BARBARA**

There are some 14 thousand persons who require assistance



- To date approximately \$200k has been donated
- Baskets are to be valued at \$150.00
- The Club will be working through the two established

Partners: The Salvation Army & The Red Cross

- To seek to avoid duplication and potential fraud, recipients will be serviced from their home parish
- Corporate Barbados & Individuals have donated
- Vouchers had not been promoted as at the time of conception, the supermarkets were not open
- The other two Clubs are not involved with the project
- A Social Media Campaign & Business Strategy are being worked on
- The RCoB will not be dispensing any of the baskets.
- Eligible families/persons are to be passed to either of our partners, The Salvation Army or the Red Cross

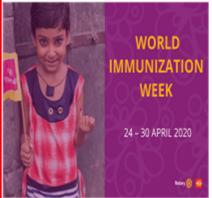












#### **UP COMING- SAVE THE DATE**

## Club Forum—April 30—6:00 p.m. Why a Club Forum?

- A Club Forum is a Private Club Meeting.
- Guests are excused from the Business Part of the Meeting.
- Discussions are frank & fulsome (as the Chair allows)
- The meeting will tend to be longer than the normal one hour

# Rotary International Polio Plus Programme & the World Health Organization

We were honored to have *Patience Asiimwe*, Rotaractor from Uganda join us for our Rotary Club of Barbados on-line meeting on April 9th. Patience has journeyed into remote areas of Uganda to vaccinate children against polio and is an excellent example of the difference that Rotary can make in the world. Click on the link below to travel with Patience in a 360 film to vaccinate a child.

#### https://www.facebook.com/ watch/?v=182759289227155

Ugandan Rotaractors, Patience and



Joan, with the Barbadian Contingent at the 2018 Rotary Convention in Toronto

Rotary's Polio Plus programme is centered on eradicating polio, but there are many added benefits that the program brings. The "plus" is something else that is provided as a part of the polio eradication campaign. It might be a hand-operated tricycle or access to water. It might be additional medical treatment, bed nets, or soap. A 2010 study estimates that vitamin A drops given to children at the same time as the polio vaccine have prevented 1.25 million deaths by decreasing susceptibility to infectious diseases.

The Rotary Foundation is one of the largest contributors to the World Health Organization (WHO). The sum giving for the biennium 2018 & 2019 puts Rotary at 7<sup>th</sup> position on the list of voluntary contributors. The funds given to the WHO are used for polio eradication.

While the world is presently focused on fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, we cannot lose sight of the importance of continuing the battle against polio.

# Source: https:// open.who.int/2018-19/ contributors/contributor

Go on line and contribute under Every Rotarian Every Year programme. You can choose to designate your giving to a specific area of funding. Your contribution to the Rotary Foundation makes a difference.

#### **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**

None This Week

#### **Birthday - Rotarians**

None This Week

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

• Hélène Watkins – PDG Tony Watkins – Apr 30

#### **Join Date Anniversary**

PP Ron Davis – 17yrs – Apr 30



#### **WORLD IMMUNIZATION WEEK**

As scientists work to find a vaccine for the new coronavirus, we can do our part to keep our communities healthy by helping Rotary spread the word about the importance of vaccinations during <a href="World Immunization Week">World Immunization Week</a>, 24-30 April.

Immunizations save millions of lives every year and are widely recognized as one of our most successful and cost-effective health interventions. Yet outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases continue to put children's health at risk around the world.

Rotary knows firsthand that #VaccinesWork. Since 1985, we've contributed more than \$2.1 billion and countless volunteer hours to protect nearly 3 billion children from polio. When children receive the polio vaccine, their pinkie fingers are marked with purple ink so health workers will know which children received the vaccine. Today, only two countries continue to report cases of polio caused by the wild poliovirus: Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Take action in three easy ways:

Raise awareness of vaccination and polio eradication efforts by painting your nails — or pinkie — purple, or customize our new End Polio

Now <u>artwork</u> with your signature and words of support. Post your pictures on social media using the hashtags #EndPolio and #VaccinesWork.

<u>Download</u> Rotary's World Immunization Week Toolkit to get graphics and sample social media posts.

<u>Donate</u> to Rotary's PolioPlus Fund. Your contribution will be tripled, thanks to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

#### **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:

 $\textbf{FIRST:} \ \textbf{The development of acquaintance as an opportunity of service;}$ 

**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: Rtn. Randy Marshall**