

DISTRICT 7030
CLUB#6798
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May 23rd, 2024

ROTANEWS

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Club Weekly Meetings
Thursdays at 12.30 pm
Hilton Barbados

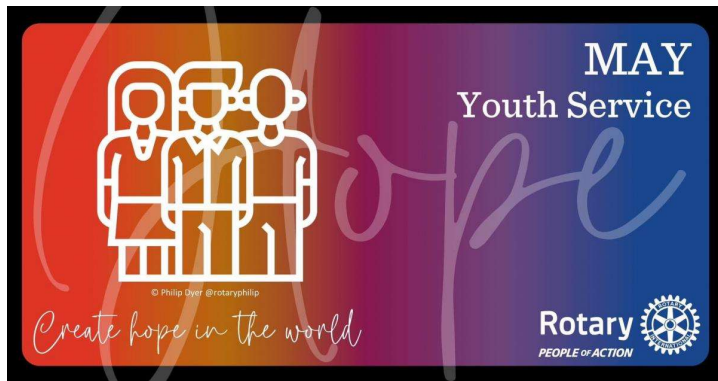
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The Rotary Club of Barbados welcomes visiting Rotarians and Guests.



Today May 23rd, 2024 will be a Fellowship Meeting, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel. Today we have a guest speaker, Alwin Adams, who will address us on 'Education Reform' Do we need it?

Meeting Details – May 16th, 2024

Guests
None

Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors
PP Jean Baptiste-Brown - RC Petion-Ville, Haiti
Pres. Suzanne Murabana – RC Nairobi (virtually)

Honorary Rotarians
None

Housekeeping
Fines: BBD 144.00

Our next scheduled meeting will be a Business Meeting on June 6th, 2024, which commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel.

Guest Speaker – Alwin Adams



Alwin Anderson Adams attended the Coleridge & Parry School and he is the principal author of Notes of a Native Governor General. He is the holder of degrees from renowned international universities such as the Institute of Education, London University and the University of Miami in the United States. The former conferred upon him: Certificate of Education with Merit and Bachelor of Education (Hons). The latter conferred upon him MSc. Education - Management and Supervision. He is an educator with considerable

experience both nationally, regionally, and internationally. He taught and served administratively in Barbados, the Commonwealth of the Bahamas and the United Kingdom and has served on the panel of the Public Service Commission re appointment of Senior Education Officers. Mr. Adams has also served with distinction on the committee set up to make recommendations for the restructuring of the Erdiston Teachers College as well as the Quality Assurance Committee: Related to Accreditation Standards. He has authored many position papers at conferences hosted by Barbados Secondary Teachers Union, Barbados Association of Principals of Secondary Schools and Erdiston Teachers Training College. On the occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of Independence, Mr. Adams was a contributing author of chapter six entitled Fifty Years of Education in Barbados - Funding Tertiary Education: Student Tuition Fees, Technical/Vocation Education and National Economic Development and Struggle for Parity of Esteem. He served as an Independent Senator who was appointed by the Governor General because of his service in the field of education and development of young people. He has been married for 48 years and has two children and two grandchildren.

Summary of the RCOB Meeting Held on May 16th, 2024

President Ermine welcomed all present to the 38th meeting, a Fellowship Meeting where there would be two classification talks by our newest Rotarians Danielle and Alvaro. She also indicated that we would have a link up with the Rotary Club of Nairobi regarding our contribution to their Flood Appeal.

She indicated that a number of members were away attending the International Convention in Singapore.

She recognized the over 40 Rotarians and Partners for their work on the "large undertaking" of the NCD Project and thanked all for "owning the project" which concluded on



Saturday, May 11, 2024 at Freedom Park, Bridgetown. (See [RotaNews of May 16 for more details.](#))

Following lunch Rotarian Anton facilitated an audio connection with President Susan Murabana of the Rotary Club of Nairobi to express her thanks for the ready response of the RCoB to the request on the initiative of His Excellency PP Alex MacDonald for the donation to assist persons adversely affected by floods in the Mathare Region of Kenya.

She gave a background of the Rotary Club of Nairobi which was Chartered in September 1930. It was the third oldest Club in Africa. The Club has grown from the initial 12 Charter Members to become a diverse Club making a significant contribution to its community.

Through the contribution of the Rotary Club of Barbados some 200 families were supported.

On the behalf of the affected families, the DG and the Club she thanked us for our significant contribution.

Past President Alex, who initiated the contact also thanked the Club for our timely donation.

A Video showing the distribution of assistance has been provided and available for viewing.

Classification Talks

Rotarian Alvaro – Classification - Business Analyst

I am employed by Republic Bank (Barbados) Ltd- Office located at Broad Street, Bridgetown

The term Business Analyst basically speaks for itself as the role entails conducting needs assessment, reviewing business processes and systems and making recommendations for improvement and ensuring that relevant needs and acceptance criteria are met. In this role I am essentially a change management specialist, being required to ensure that any procedural changes are accepted and implemented as required. Other skills associated with the role include strong stakeholder management, interpersonal, and project management skills.

The Business Analyst role very much aligns with my personal/personality as a stout advocate for change and positive progress as it relates to everything in life. The role gives me the opportunity to be a leader in change which also is part and parcel of my daily disposition.

I have a Bachelor's degree in Economics and Management from the UWI Cave Hill Campus, a Master's in Business Administration from Edinburgh Business School (with Emphasis on Strategy), and currently pursuing a Project Management Professional (PMP) designation from the Project Management Institute

I believe I defaulted into Leadership as I have held many Leadership roles throughout my life from Form Captain, Prefect, Cricket & Track teams captain at Harrison College to

various Team Lead roles in the professional space. So, when I joined the Rotaract Club of Barbados it was inevitable that I would undertake Lead roles there as well. I plan to continue along that Leadership journey with the Rotary Club of Barbados.

I have an affinity for the outdoors, sports, travel- next trip planned for late September.

Rotarian Danielle – Classification – Legal Consulting

Rtn Danielle asked members to remember three themes in relation to her presentation - Leadership, Service and Entertainment.

As the first of 4 children and 9 grandchildren, she invited members present to think of her as a "natural born leader". While attending the Lawrence T. Gay Memorial Primary School she was inspired to pursue law as a profession through a family friend, a pursuit which seemed suited to her love of reading as a child. After graduating from Harrison College with an Associate's Degree in the Arts having studied Literatures in English, Sociology and Management of Business, she moved on to UWI Cave Hill to pursue her bachelor's degree and then onto Hugh Wooding Law School.

She was admitted to the Barbados Bar in 2016, where she served as a member of the Council of the Barbados Bar Association from 2016 to 2019. As for the entertainment side, Danielle confessed that she had been a member of a music band while at Harrison College and that she was also introduced to the fashion industry at that time as a model but now assists in the production of fashion shows in Barbados. In 2020, in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, Danielle returned to UWI Cave Hill to pursue a Masters in Law in Intellectual Property, to help her understand the workings of her affinity for the entertainment industry.

Danielle is currently an associate at a boutique law firm, TESO Law, which operates as a general civil practice, focusing on non-contentious business, where she hopes to continue to put her Masters to work to serve her clients and community.

SAA Discipline

SAA (ag.) PP Vic announced that being such a Small Gathering the Cap of \$5 was suspended, so therefore he expected a substantial bounty.

He commended PP Erskine for his stellar rendition in leading the National Anthem.

He wrapped up the fines by investigating the possible connection between the morning activities of Rotarians as they responded to sending out Birthday Greetings. Some answers were very revealing resulting in extra fines.

Announcements by President Ermine

President Ermine exchanged Banners with visiting Rotarian PP Jean Baptiste-Brown, RCO Club de Petion Ville, Haiti

1. Birthdays & Anniversaries
2. Guest Speaker – Mr. Alwin Adams – Retired Principal – “Education Reform – Why do we need it?”
3. Annual Visit by the District Governor – June 09-11.
 - Project Day – School House
 - Cocktail Reception – All Clubs and Corporate Sponsors
4. Installation – Sunday June 30, 2024

The meeting ended with a Toast to Rotary International

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 23rd – Fellowship Meeting
- May 25th-29th – International Convention
- May 30th – **No Scheduled Lunch Time Meeting**
- May 30th – President’s Party
- June 9th-11th – DG Visit
- June 30th – 62nd Installation of Officers

RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct

- May 1st-31st – The Rota Challenge
- June 30th – RaCOB Pastel and Brunch Handing Over Ceremony and Awards

DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birthdays Rotarians

- Rtn. Donna King-Brathwaite – May 25th
- PP CQ Williams – May 25th

Birthdays – Partners-in-Service

- Sharon – Rtn. Scott Oran – May 24th
- Averil Byer – VP Elvin Sealy – May 27th

Wedding Anniversaries

- Rtn. Reuben & Shelly Brathwaite – 2 yrs – May 25th, 2012

Join Date Anniversary

- Dir. Keri Mapp – 5 yrs – May 23rd, 2019
- Rtn. Roger Blackman – 7 yrs – May 25th, 2017
- Pres. Ermine Darroux – 7 yrs – May 25th, 2017
- PE Arlene Ross – 7 yrs – May 25th, 2017
- Rtn. Meryl Stoute – 7 yrs – May 25th, 2017

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.



Bulletin Editor: PP Denise Antrobus

