



ROTA NEWS



Rotary Opens Opportunities

R.I. Theme 2020-21

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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?

Rotary Club of Barbados



District 7030 - Club # 6798

Chartered March 07, 1962

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HE Dame Sandra Mason, GCMG, DA.

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27TH AUGUST 2020

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Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

Hilton Barbados

(Hybrid Meetings from August 6, 2020 to present)

Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap,

St. Michael

at 12:30 p.m.

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

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

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

RI THEME: ROTARY OPENS OPPORTUNITIES



Today is a Fellowship Meeting.

Our Guest Speaker is Mr. Jeremy Stephen. He is an Economist/Financial Analyst and Lecturer at U.W.I. Cave Hill. His address will be on the topic "The Barbados Stock Exchange - beyond COVID 19". His biography is on page 4 of the newsletter.

Our Hilton meeting greeters for today will be Shakéela Boodhoo and Chrispen Hackett.

Our Zoom meeting moderator will be PDG David.

OUR GUESTS — Meeting Held On 20th August 2020

Michael Forde – President Rotary Club Of Barbados South.

Rashida Prescod – President of Rotaract Club of Barbados.

Roberta Straker – Guest of IPP Peter Williams.

Housekeeping:

Attendance for our club's previous meeting was 74%.

Fines Collected - BBD \$170.00

Raffle Proceeds—BBD \$100.60 — Winner: Meryl Stoute

Summary of Our Club Meeting of 20TH August 2020

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 12.30 p.m.

PRAYERS: The following prayer was said by Rotarian Brian Cole:

"God we thank you for this opportunity to fellowship with our Rotarian family

And, as we strive to be of service to the community, we ask that you provide us with the wisdom and guide us in our decisions. Amen".

Summary of Our Club Meeting of 20TH August 2020

The Rotarians on ZOOM then joined the Rotarians at the Hilton for the Rotary grace.

WELCOME: President Fiona welcomed President Michael Forde from Rotary Club of Barbados South. She announced that Jeremy Stephen Economist/Financial Analyst from UWI, Cave Hill will be addressing the Club next week via ZOOM. His topic will be "The Barbados Stock Exchange – beyond COVID 19".

Sergeant-at-Arms Randy welcomed the following guests & visiting Rotarians:

- Michael Forde – President Rotary Club Of Barbados South.
- Rashida Prescod – President of Rotaract Club of Barbados.
- Roberta Straker – Guest of IPP Peter Williams.
- President Fiona extended a special welcome to Rotarian Freddie to his first hybrid meeting.

PINNING: Rotarian Trevor Gordon Fields was pinned by IPP Peter as a Paul Harris Fellow.

Mention was made that Rotarian Trevor Gordon along with PP Stanley introduced Carols-by-Candlelight as a fundraiser. He expressed his gratitude for the award and recognition.

IPP Peter Williams & PP Sir Trevor Carmichael were pinned by President Fiona as Paul Harris Fellows +1 and +4 respectively.



Rtn. Trevor Gordon Fields



IPP Peter Williams



PP Sir Trevor Carmichael

SHORT ADDRESS: President Fiona shared her thoughts for the week. They revolved around some of the information gleaned from the composting course she attended at the home of Sir Trevor & Sharen Lady Carmichael. Some of her thoughts were:

- being environmentally friendly can be woven into how we observe the 4 way test.
 - we should be considerate how we impact the environment by the things we do, by what we eat and by what we grow.
- Management of the environment can be married to the principles of the 4 way test and, when practiced together, they can be perceived as part of the code for living.

PRESENTATION BY PP JEDDER ROBINSON on "Highlights of my life in Rotary".



In his discourse, PP Jedder shared some of the thoughts and the highlights which impacted his life to date as a Rotarian. He joined Rotary in 2005. He perceives Rotary as a philanthropic organization which offers diversity, is family oriented and provides opportunities for good camaraderie. Rotary caters to the poor, the hungry, the differently able and drug addicts. As Director of Vocational Service 2012-13, three differently abled persons were honoured. During that year he also mounted exhibitions in the Banking Halls of First Citizen's Bank and CIBC on Broad Street to showcase the work of Rotary. As Director of Vocational Service 2013-14, two visually impaired persons and a cancer survivor were honoured.

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PRESENTATION BY PP JEDDER ROBINSON (Continued)

During his Presidency 2014-15, twelve introverted Rotarians were chosen and each was given \$1,000.00. With the funds given, each was supposed to devise and execute a community based project. The projects were to be executed one per month over the twelve month Presidency of PP Jedder. Among the projects undertaken were – Building a ramp for an amputee; Refurbishing a bathroom at the Geriatric Hospital; Teaching self defense to members of the National Organisation of Women; Teaching a computer course to senior citizens; Repairing the home of a destitute individual and Offering free dental care to a number of children in foster care. However, one project took a totally different slant, a Rotarian dressed as and lived the life of a vagrant on the streets for 24 hours, to raise money for the homeless. \$10,000.00 was raised from this exercise. PP Jedder loves to help persons in need. He expressed his gratitude to PP Orville Durant for introducing him to Rotary.

VOTE OF THANKS FOR PP JEDDER'S PRESENTATION: This was given by Rotarian Sanjay Amin.

UPCOMING PROJECT: President Fiona revealed that a project similar to the one by President Jedder is in the planning stages. The Club will be divided into approximately four groups. Each group will be given a similar amount of money and each group is expected to devise a project based basically on the Rotary areas of focus.

UPCOMING EVENTS: Director Adrian reminded the Club of the school sign maintenance to be done at 5 schools on Saturday August 22, 2020. He thanked those Rotarians who participated in the composting session on Sat. August 15, 2020.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Fiona highlighted the various anniversaries which were listed in the bulletin. Additionally, she thanked Rotarians Nigel Pierre and Simone Pasmore for setting up and operating the electronic equipment to cater to Rotarians live at the Hilton and to those participating via ZOOM.

FINES: Fines were \$170.00. Sergeant-at-Arms Randy imposed a range of fines for sundry transgressions. Among the fines - a media & composting tax (imposed on the group who attended the composting session), a security and bad John tax (levied on Rotarian Winston whose photo was shown in the press standing next to President Fiona during a presentation of tablets), a pink pants and red shoes tax (levied on PP Stan for his appearance on social media with Rotaractors who were painting). There was also a renaming and glove tax.

RAFFLE: The raffle raised \$100.60 and was won by Treasurer Meryl. She presented the prize to President Michael Forde of Rotary Club of Barbados South.



The meeting was adjourned at 1.33 p.m. after a toast to Rotary International.



Hybrid meetings keep all members engaged



By Patrick Eakes, Zone 33 Rotary Coordinator

In our area, the global pandemic arrived like an unwelcome dinner guest. Within a matter of days after the first local case of COVID-19, my Rotary club's meeting location closed, and gatherings of 50 or more people were prohibited (my club has over 100 members). Face-to-face Rotary meetings came to an almost immediate halt.

David Stovall and Stephanie Urchick, Rotary International Directors, and Director-elect Peter Kyle immediately set up online meetings for all Rotary members in Zones 33 and 34 to attend. They held these meetings twice each week and posted recordings on social media, setting an explicit example for district and club leaders of how they could maintain and strengthen the engagement of Rotary members even during a pandemic.

The Zone 33 Rotary Coordinator team surveyed clubs and districts to be sure no club or member was left behind. Our team helped dozens of clubs make the transition to online meetings, loaning them meeting software licenses, providing training, and presenting programs at their meetings.

Read More :

<https://blog.rotary.org/2020/08/17/hybrid-meetings-keep-all-members-engaged/>

Polio Out Of Africa - END POLIO NOW

August 25, 2020

In a historic public health achievement, the 47 nations of the World Health Organization's Africa region were certified to be free of wild poliovirus on Tuesday.

The declaration comes four years after the continent reported its last case of wild poliovirus, in Nigeria, and 24 years after it launched an ambitious eradication campaign.



Rotary



**Most Financially Sound
Largest
Most Powerful
Networking Service
Organization**

Whose flag is recognized in more
Countries than any other flag in the world

Every minute of every day Rotary:

- Feeds someone
- Houses someone
- Vaccinates someone
- Performs surgery on someone
- Comforts someone
- Provides clean water to someone

THIS IS ROTARY!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ Our next Club meeting is to be held on 3rd September, 2020. On-line streaming is also available via Zoom. Our moderator will be PDG David.
- ◆ 3rd September is Past Presidents Day.
- ◆ 5th September— Garden Work at the School House— Director Jeff
- ◆ 19th September—Beach Clean Up—Morgan Lewis Beach
- ◆ 19th September—Composting Training Session 2

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

None This Week

Birthday - Rotarians

- Rtn. Dr. Albert Best—Aug 27
- Pres Fiona Hinds — Sep 01

Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- Emelda Browne—PP Michael—Aug 27
- Donna Edwards—PDG David—Aug 27
- Christopher JnMarie—PP Carole JnMarie—Sep 01
- Hyacinth Armstrong-Vaughn— Rtn. Malcolm Vaughn— Sep 04

Join Date Anniversary

- Ivan Browne— 01 Sep — 26 yrs

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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Areas of Expertise

- Economic and Financial Modeling
- Blockchain Token Economics
- Economic and Financial Advisory
- Corporate Advisory
- People Development and Training
- Service Quality Management

Countries of Experience:

Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Dominica, Jamaica, St Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St Vincent and the Grenadines, and Guyana.

Languages

English- Native speaking, reading and writing.
Spanish - Beginner speaking, Intermediate reading and writing.
French - Intermediate speaking, reading and writing.
Portuguese - Beginner speaking, reading, and writing

Jeremy Stephen has extensive experience in private equity, and economic consulting across the Region and in Barbados. He is a former President of the Barbados Economics Society and his core consulting specialities include corporate advisory; financial due diligence; economic analysis; economics of cryptocurrencies, and web and app development.

He has provided business advisory services, inter alia, to the Government of Barbados; the Nevis Island Administration, the Caribbean Development Bank; One Caribbean Media; The Craane Group (Merrill Lynch); and G&A Communications. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Board at COSCAP (Barbados).

He lectures in Banking & Finance at the University of the West Indies – Cave Hill Campus. His research in cryptocurrencies has produced the widely regarded research paper in conjunction with Professor Winston Moore: "Should Cryptocurrencies be included in the Portfolio of International Reserves held by the Central Bank of Barbados?". Further

As a Commonwealth Scholar, Jeremy received his MSc. Finance degree with a concentration in Portfolio Management, Financial Statement Analysis and Entrepreneurship from Imperial College London in 2007, and the BSc. Economics in 2005 from the University of the West Indies-Cave Hill Campus, with First Class Honours.

Some of his relevant projects are:

2018- 2019 Nevis: He advised the local government in the building out of its Blockchain related legislation.

2017-2018 Barbados: He conducted an economic impact assessment of the Eastern Caribbean, as part of a team project completed on behalf of the University of the West Indies - Cave Hill Campus, the Caribbean Examination Council sought to improve its monitoring and evaluation of the overall curriculum in the Eastern Caribbean.

Some of his relevant research projects include:

2018-2019 Barbados: On behalf of the University of the West Indies - Cave Hill Campus, he conducted research on estimating the size of the Barbadian informal economy so as to forecast GDP contributions due from a potential legalization of the local cannabis trade. The outcome was instrumental to the use of the paper: "*Preliminary Economics of the Incremental Approach to Medical Cannabis*"

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.

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