



# 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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**27TH MAY 2021**

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Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

**Hilton Barbados**

(Hybrid Meetings via Zoom from Aug 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

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OPPORTUNITIES



Today is a Fellowship Meeting which is being held via Zoom Only.

Today we will be having a presentation by Dava Leslie Ward—Director of Consumer Protection at FTC. The topic is 'Know your consumer rights'. Her Biography can be read on page 3A.

Our Zoom meeting Moderators will be PDG David and Sec. Ermine.

### Visiting Rotarians and Rotaractors

- The Board of Rotaract UWI-Cave Hill
- The Board of the Rotaract Club of Barbados

### Guest:

- Alicia Bascombe – Guest of Treasurer Meryl
- Rtr. Errollyn Hurley — RaCoB—Guest of PP. Stanley

### Housekeeping:

- Attendance - 76.3%



JOIN THE ROTARY CLUB OF  
BARBADOS AS WE HONOUR THE  
HEROES IN THE COVID FIGHT AT THE

*Pride of  
Workmanship  
Virtual Awards*

Thursday June 3, 2021 | 6:30 PM  
Via: ZOOM

DRESS: SEMI-FORMAL

ZOOM LINK WILL BE PROVIDED



Club Meeting  
20th May, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 12.30 pm by President Fiona.

The National Anthem followed.

Prayers were said by President Fiona.

Visiting Rotarians and guests introduced. All were welcomed by President Fiona.

Announcements: President Fiona encouraged Rotarians to register for the 2021 Virtual Convention.

- Rotaract Club UWI was congratulated for being recognized by UWI as "The Student's Club of the Year".

- Rotarians were reminded of the Pride of Workmanship awards ceremony to be held virtually on Thursday, June 03, 2021 at 6.30 pm. Dress semiformal. No daytime meeting on that day.

- Rtn Anton promoted the Last Mile Minute and encouraged Rotarians to register for this virtual run/walk/ride in order to raise funds for childhood obesity. PP Carole JnMarie also promoted the event after Rtn Anton. T-shirts were displayed and are available.

- President Fiona announced the various birthdays/anniversaries. (Full details in the bulletin)

- Then, she provided her motivational tips.

### Life in Rotary Presentation By PP Elvin Sealy

- Joined Rotary Dec 01, 1985.

- Was encouraged to join by Rtn Freddie Hart and Rtn J.W. Williams (deceased).

- His classification Passenger Air Transport.

- When he joined he was the Country Manager for British Airways.

- From his days at Combermere (1958-66) PP

Elvin always felt he needed to make a contribution to the less fortunate.

- Felt at home on his first visit as a guest because he realized he already knew a number of Rotarians either as travelling passengers or socially. This made his transition to Club membership very easy.

- He was always driven by the mantra "Service above Self". Hence from inception as a Rotarian was always involved in sundry projects. Among them - Bajan Night, Carols by Candlelight, Rotary's 50th anniversary celebrations, Challenor School, BeauView House, painting of the St. Philip District Hospital, School House Project, Senior Citizen's Xmas Party and support for Rotaract

- Attended his first International Convention in Melbourne Australia in 1993. Since then has attended eight more in varying countries between Europe and North America.



PP. Elvin Sealy

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## Club Meeting – 20th May, 2021 Continued

- Conventions afford Rotarians the opportunity to meet other Rotarians from all over the world and a forum for exchanging ideas.
- Also provides an opportunity to know your colleagues better. Conventions provides for good social and educational interaction. Benefits cannot be understated.
- Elvin was elected President of the Club in 2008.
- The project during his year was renovation of the YWCA kitchen at Deacons where breakfast was prepared and served daily to approximately 30 needy children.
- He was the VP for four Rotary Presidents.
- Parting Quote from PP Elvin "To be a good Rotarian, one must get involved".

♦ **Classification Talk by Davina Layne.** The summarized presentation can be read on page 3B of this Bulletin.

Announcements were then continued by Pres. Fiona:

- President Fiona announced that the house at Beauview House was repaired but is yet to be repainted. Because of the current pandemic, this exercise will be conducted at the most opportune time.
- She thought it timely for new publications of the book from 2012 depicting the 50th anniversary of Rotary in Barbados and the cook book which was also produced in that year.
- Protocols. Most recent protocols permit the Club to meet face to face once more. The Board is actively considering that the last two meetings during the month of June will be face-to-face meetings and further announcement will be made.

Next the Sargeant-at-Arms disciplined the Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 1.35pm with a toast to Rotary International

### **Biography of Today's Guest Speaker (Dava L. Ward):**

**Ms. Dava Leslie Ward** is the Director of Consumer Protection at the FTC since 2017. Previously, She worked at Barbados Revenue Authority the Fair Trading Commission in the Legal Department and was specifically assigned to Utility Regulation, Competition and Consumer Protection matters. Dava, a practicing Attorney-at-Law, was admitted to the Bar in 2005 and holds a Bachelor of Laws degree and an Executive Masters in Business Administration from the University of the West Indies. In addition, she is a part-time tutor in Business Law at the University of the West Indies.



Pres. Fiona



Dava L. Ward

### **ROTARY'S PROGRAMS FOR YOUNG LEADERS**



**RYLA** is a leadership development program for young people who want to learn new skills, build their confidence, and have fun.



Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12-18 to develop leadership skills and learn about the world through service projects and activities.



Rotary Youth Exchange participants learn a new language, discover another culture, and truly become global citizens.

Learn more at [rotary.org/youth-programs](http://rotary.org/youth-programs)

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### **Davina Layne - Classification talk.**



I am the eldest of three children (2 girls and 1 boy) born to David Layne and Jillien Callender-Layne and grew up in Dash Valley, St. George, where you'll find me again since I moved back there last year.

As part of my schooling, I attended the Charles F Broome Memorial Primary School, the St. Michael School and Queen's College for 6th form.

I really enjoyed my time at St. Michael's and was a part of the Girl Guides Association and Business Club. When I finished St. Michael's I had no idea what I would study so I chose to continue my studies in the three subjects that I excelled at - those were Spanish, Principles of Business, and Geography.

Little did I know that this choice would eventually lead me onto my career path.

I entered the UWI in 1997 and completed the first year of my Bachelor of Science degree in tourism management at Cave Hill. As was the norm back then, I then went on to the Bahamas to complete my final two years. Studying in Nassau will always be one of the best experiences of my life. I was happy getting to meet people from across the Caribbean and so many of us remain in contact and friends to this day.

During my tourism management studies, I specifically developed a passion for sustainable tourism. I believed then and still do now that if tourism could be done in a way to benefit communities, workers, and visitors - ideally paying special attention to people and the planet - profit from the industry would almost follow and persons livelihoods would be safeguarded.

During the past two decades, I have worked both in Barbados and further afield, but it hasn't been easy finding "that place" I wanted to be in the tourism sector. It took some navigation to get here - I started out as a receptionist, went on to work with an offshore company before finding a role back in the sector. Now I am the executive director of Intimate Hotels of Barbados which I started in May 2020.

The Intimate Hotels of Barbados group comprises 44 small properties (hotels, apartments, villas), representing over 850 of the island's hotel rooms. All the properties, which vary in size from four to 79 rooms, are locally owned, and 51 percent of them are also either owned or managed by women.

As executive director, I am responsible for planning and implementing all the initiatives of the Intimate Hotels of Barbados group, including managing the secretariat. I love that I get to spend time developing the indigenous hotel sector. Many of the properties in the group have been in existence for over 3 decades some over 40 years, being passed through generations and contributing to the livelihoods of many. International brands have come and gone but these little properties have stood the test of time and a big part of what I want to do is to get the Intimate Hotels story out there and make it known. The organisation is 21 years old, and people should know more about us.

Outside of my day job and as mentioned before, I enjoy working with people to help them become their best selves. I also have a passion for encouraging persons to do work that they love and so I run a passion project called Your Corporate Image where I serve persons who are looking for the next step in their career. I provide soft skills training and other training services and career coaching services including job search, interview prep, career chats, and CV reviews and revamps.

I consider myself a philomath - I love learning, laughing, and I am also passionate about leadership, travelling, fashion, and finding and eating good food.

I look forward to continuing my life path with Rotary and hope that it'll be a long and engaging Rotary journey.





The Royal Barbados Police Force  
Juvenile Liaison Scheme  
in collaboration with  
the Rotary Club of Barbados, presents

**Speaker:** Ms. Roseann Richards LLB (Hons)

**Topic:** Parenting through Thick and Thin

**Date:** Saturday 29th of May 2021

**Time:** 11:00 AM



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 29th—Project Elevate Discussion “Parenting Through Thick & Thin” (Via Zoom) - Guest Speaker Roseann Richards
- June 3—Pride of Workmanship Virtual Awards (Via Zoom)
- June 5—Farmers Market ( 9:00 a.m.—12 noon @ The Schoolhouse for Special Needs. Admission is \$5.00 )
- June 10— RCOB Four Way Test Day
- June 14-20th—The Last Mile
- June 17—Fellowship meeting with a Guest speaker
- June 24—Fellowship meeting

### District 7030 Events:

- June 9, 2021—Rotary Works: Career Development Professional Series - #7 - Networking Ahead for Your Career (Via Zoom)
- June 24, 2021—D7030 2020-21 Awards Ceremony (Via Zoom)

**\*\*All In-Person Meetings at the Hilton have been temporary suspended as we adhere to the Covid-19 protocols outlined by the Government of Barbados.**

**Also please look out for more information concerning any other pending events which will have to rescheduled next month.**

### Announcements

#### Wedding Anniversary

- None this week

#### Birthday - Rotarians

- Rtn. Davina Layne — 30th May
- PP. Brenda Pope — 31st May

#### Birthday - Partners-in-Service

- None this week

#### Join Date Anniversary

- None this week

### 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.



**Youth Service Month** is a special time in Rotary. Throughout the month of May, members of Rotary clubs, Rotaract, Interact, and those involved in Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) and Rotary Youth Exchange celebrate the opportunities Rotary provides to connect, grow through service, develop leadership skills, mentor or be mentored, and have fun.

Although COVID may prevent some of us from celebrating Youth Service Month in person, it need not dampen our enthusiasm, excitement, and gratitude for these programs and the volunteers who make them possible. Here are four ways you can safely celebrate:



**Serve:** Make the month special by identifying needs in your community, and getting creative with ways to meet them with local guidelines. This could include sewing masks for essential workers, collecting and distributing supplies for shut-ins, or creating a phone chain to offer a message of encouragement to seniors who are isolated and alone. Check out this list of projects being conducted by Rotary clubs around the world for inspiration.

**Stay Connected:** Schedule an online meeting with your sponsor Rotary club, or with program participants and alumni. Recognize past accomplishments and discuss ways to work together in the future to strengthen participation. Visit the Meeting Online learning topic to find and share resources, join discussions, and ask for expert advice about creating online meeting spaces.



**Unite behind a fundraiser:** Empower Rotary's response to the pandemic by donating to the Disaster Response Fund. Grants from this fund are providing hospitals in Belgium, Croatia, and Italy with lifesaving ventilators; and equipping frontline healthcare workers with personal protective equipment in Korea, Nigeria, the Philippines, Spain, and the United States. In India, disaster response grants are providing disinfectant sprayers, beds, and mattresses for healthcare facilities.

**Set and achieve goals:** Take this month to focus on initiatives that will help your club earn this year's Rotary Citation. Brainstorm sustainable service projects, ways to increase giving to The Rotary Foundation, and build awareness of Rotary in your community. Young people are looking for a way to make a difference. Show them how Rotary equips them to do so, especially in this time of crisis. And watch your membership grow.



**Sourced from:** <https://blog.rotary.org/2021/05/01/4-ways-to-celebrate-youth-service-month-virtually-2/>

### 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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