



ROTA NEWS

August 29, 2013

Rotary Club of Barbados, Barbados

Chartered March 07, 1962

District 7030



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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

www.clubrunner.ca/barbados

BIO – Kirk Humphrey



Kirk is the Director of The Department of Constituency Empowerment and has held that post since 2008. A graduate of the St. Michael's Secondary School, the BCC, UWI and The London School of Economics. A purest and a fine product of the soil and a resolute believer that the public service has been very good to him is here today to share with us his charge for setting up constituency councils across Barbados and trying to get them functioning so that they breathe new life into communities by reversing the negative. Let's welcome to the podium - Kirk

Using Facebook to promote Rotary



By Erin Wagner, a member of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis South, Minnesota, USA

I am a product of Rotary's youth programs, which taught me some amazing lessons. For example:

Open-Mindedness

A farm girl from Idaho, my youth exchange to France (2001-02) and the associated culture shock taught me to be aware of and question my assumptions, and to recognize that people are people all over the world.

Unity

Delegation did not come naturally to me. Fortunately, within the framework of Rotaract, I got to take part in projects I simply could not pull off alone. In my inadequacy, I learned a fundamental appreciation for the skills and efforts of every contributor.

Responsibility

When my Rotary district hosted the international convention in 2007, I was hired to serve as the secretary to the host organization committee. Still in college, I had the privilege of learning basic skills (like preparing financial documents, writing grants, and participating effectively in meetings) from experts in banking, fundraising, and management. Conscious of how much I had to learn, they nevertheless expected a level of professionalism commensurate with the opportunity, and held my hand as I found my way.

Gratitude

One Rotarian surprised the Rotaractors by cashing in his frequent flyer miles so that we could visit the Chilean school for which we were fundraising. We learned a lot from seeing first-hand the impact of our efforts, but what has touched me the most is his motive. He saw value in our education and development as humanitarians, an education we could not have accessed without his assistance.

Tying these lessons together, I have learned that the essence of gratitude is the impulse to share the goodness with others.

Now a college graduate and small business owner, I was able to use my expertise in social media to pay forward that gratitude in three ways through a 2012-13 [Public Image Grant](#). By using paid promotion on Facebook to draw the public's attention to the District 5950 (Minnesota, USA) Facebook page, we were able to:

- Educate people in the community about the opportunities for service, fellowship, and learning available through Rotary,
- Help local clubs make the public aware of their mission and attract new members,
- Share what we learned and document our strategy online at <http://houseandhoffman.com/facebook-for-rotary>.

But even so, service is a funny thing. This attempt to repay my debt of gratitude has only left me richer as it has deepened my connections throughout the community, in my district, and around the world. In the end, doing justice to the kindnesses shown to me will require a lifetime of service.

Meeting Details

Meeting held on Thursday, August 22nd 2013.

Sgt-at-Arms: **PHF Alex McDonald**

- Fines - \$222.58
- Raffle - \$96.00
- Attendance - 62%

Building peace in Northern Ireland



Enda Young, right, with members of the Belfast West Rotary Club and 2012-13 RI President Sakuji Tanaka, second from left, during the peace conference in Derry-Londonderry.

By Enda Young, a Rotary Peace Fellow and member of the E-Club of District 1100

On stage, the women shared their stories — the suffering and pain of losing loved ones or being caught up in the conflict in Northern Ireland. As I watched, I couldn't help notice that most of the audience was in tears. The Theatre of Witness performance was a highlight of the three-day Rotary peace conference in Derry-Londonderry in May, and the effects of the women sharing their real stories through word, music, movement, and cinematic imagery was powerful. As a Rotary Peace Fellow, I was excited to take part in the conference, and lead a class on peacebuilding. I completed my studies at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok in 2012, and now work as a training manager and mediator for TIDES Training & Consultancy. It was a thrill to look up during our class and see 2012-13 RI President Sakuji Tanaka attending our workshop. During Tanaka's year of *Peace Through Service*, he encouraged Rotary club members all over the world to hold peace forums such as ours. I also enjoyed discussing my work with members of the Belfast West Rotary Club who sponsored my peace fellowship.

Derry-Londonderry served as an appropriate setting for the peace conference, as a city once torn by civil unrest and violence, but now thriving with culture and a popular destination. Yet even today, there is ongoing dispute over the city's name, Derry or Londonderry, between nationalists and unionists. This serves to remind us that the work of peace is never done.

The conference brought business, community, political, and educational leaders and peace activists from around the world together to explore making, building, and embedding peace, both locally and internationally. It was an outstanding conference which I believe truly showcased Rotary's contributions to world peace.

In the words of Irish poet, playwright, and Nobel Prize recipient Seamus Heaney:

*Now is the time to come and witness
our journey from conflict, through
reconciliation towards Peace.*

*So hope for a great sea change
On the far side of revenge*

Believe that a farther shore

Is reachable from here.

Believe in miracles

And cures and healing wells.

Adapted with permission from Enda Young's blog, [Practical Peace](#)

Coming Soon!

ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS
PARTNERS IN SERVICE
INVITE YOU TO
A FAMILY
WESTERN
JAMBOREE
WESTERN STYLE DRESS!!
SATURDAY OCTOBER 26TH
SANDY TURF STABLES
THE FARM ST. PHILIP
FROM 600-1130

Notices

- Today's lunch meeting will be graced with the presence of partners in service; Suzanne Davis, Andrea McKenzie and Jenny Williams who will be sharing more with us on the upcoming fundraiser Family Western Jamboree - October 26, 2013.

- We will also have a brief presentation by Mr. Kirk Humphrey - Director of the Department of Constituency Empowerment, who will brief us on the mandates of that Department.

- It is with deep regret that I inform you of the passing in Montreal, Canada of George Gallagher, father of Helene Watkins and father in law of PDG Tony. They can be contacted on tonyw@caribsurf.com

Upcoming Events

Rotary South will be having a club lime/barbeque at IPP Sonya's home in Fort George on Saturday August 31 2013. Any member wanting to attend is welcome. The cost is \$25.00.

Greeters

August 29: Neal Griffith/ Vic Fernandes

Guests

Duncan Evanson - Makonem Hurley
Johnathan Brathwaite - Alex McDonald
Chris Forbes - Alex McDonald
Sandra Blades - Berkley Blades
Kerry-Lyn Coppin - Berkley Blades
Richelle Atherley - Berkley Blades

MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR Membership & Extensions Month (August 2013)

29th Guest Speaker

Visiting Rotarians

PP Sonya Alleyne - Rotary South

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 Anniversaries **Congratulations!!**

Marcia and Patrick Hinds

August 31

Birthdays

Rotarians

Warren Mottley

August 30

Lennox Lewis

September 03

Andrew Mallalieu

September 04

Partners in Service

Kaye Williams (Ronald Williams)

September 01

Francie Toppin (Charles Toppin)

September 03

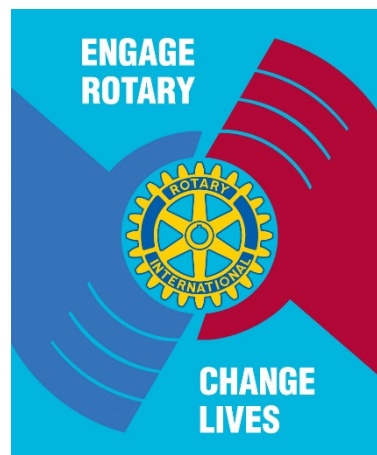
Rotary Anniversaries

Michael Browne

September 01

Randall Goddard

September 01



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