

DISTRICT 7030  
CLUB#6798  
Chartered March 07, 1962



Aug 29th, 2024

# ROTANEWS

## R.I. OFFICERS

**President**  
Stephanie Urchick

**President Elect**  
Mário César Martins de Camargo

## PATRON

**HE The Most Honorable Dame**  
**Sandra Mason, FB, GCMG, DA, SC.**  
President of Barbados

## DISTRICT OFFICERS

**District Governor**  
Debbie Roopchand

**District Governor Elect**  
Soraya Warner-Gustave

**District Governor Nominee**  
Maurice Saad

**Assistant Governor**  
Paul Ashby

**District Secretary**  
Giselle Holder

**District Treasurer**  
JR Ramnarine

**Council of Governors Chair**  
PDG Brian Glasgow

**District Rotary Foundation Chair**  
PDG Waddy Sowma

**District Disaster Relief Chair**  
PDG David Edwards

**District TRF Fundraising Chair**  
PDG Elwin Atmodimedjo

**District Conference Chair**  
Safeeya Mohammed

## CLUB OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

**President**  
Arlene Ross

**President Elect**  
Jeff Evelyn

**Vice President**  
Ron Davis

**Secretary**  
Jamella Forde

**Treasurer**  
Nikita Gibson

**Club Administration**  
Randy Marshall

**Membership/Youth Service**  
Tamara Allman

**Public Image**  
Keri Mapp

**Community Service**  
Katrina Alkins

**International Service**  
David Antrobus

**Immediate Past President**  
Ermine Darroux-Francis

**Sergeant-at-Arms**  
Peter Arender

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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 August 29th, 2024 will be a Business Meeting, which commences at 12:30pm at the Hilton Hotel.

### Meeting Details – August 15th, 2024

#### Guests

Mr. Rawdon Adams – PP Oliver Jordan

#### Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors

Rtn. Kareem French – RaCOB

Pres. Shaunte Carter – RaCOB

IPC Janelle Jordan – Satellite Club – ‘Rise Up’

#### Honorary Rotarians

None

#### Housekeeping

Fines: BBD 216.00

Raffle: BBD 101.00 won by PP Norman Barrow

At our next scheduled meeting on September 5th, 2024, we will be Celebrating Past President’s Day. The meeting commences at 12:30 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel.



## Summary of the RCOB Meeting Held on August 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2024

This was a Business Meeting which included a Toast to PP Vic as he attended his final meeting before taking up his Diplomatic position in the USA.

President Arlene called the meeting to order. She invited the singing of the National Anthem which was robustly led by Rotarian Winston Warren. There was the joint reciting of the Rotary Grace followed by the Toast to the President of Barbados and the Patron of our Club

SAA Peter introduced the Visiting Rotarians and Guests.

During Lunch PP Vic was invited upstairs as he was to be honoured by a number of Toasts. (*Yes, Red wine was provided for the occasion.*) The Room had to be reset due to an influx of visitors for this Farewell meeting.

**Summary of the Toasts which appropriately included the presence of a Toaster at the Head Table.**

**PDG David Edwards.** He chronicled his friendship of PP Vic which had endured over 40 years. Recounting some humorous activities at a Political Meeting in September 1981 at Bay Steet.

PDG David spoke of the exploits of PP Vic as a broadcaster and initiatives’ taken. He commended the work done by PP Vic since joining the Club in 1986. (*Vic was President 2000-01*).

Before the Toast he cautioned PP Vic to Listen Well and not to Talk too much.

**PP Grenville Phillips.** He promised to be brief in his presentation. Following is the Text.

We have known each other for quiet a long time, and I have always recognized that he, affectionately known as “The Market Vendor” was destined for great things, and now the rest of the world has caught up.

Congratulations my friend on your new appointment. Well done!

Stepping into a new position is an exciting feat, and we are delighted you have this opportunity. Knowing you, you will shine more in this new role than you already do.

Your discipline, knowledge, skills and indeed your very essence, have garnered you the opportunity to serve your country in this new dimension. It is a well-earned reward for all that you have done and achieved in the unconscious preparation for that task.

The essential requirement for the new job is not the quality of brazenness but that of astuteness with a laser focused attention among the myriad of competing interests, towards that which is in the best interest of the small island state called Barbados.

With a work ethic, skill set, personality, and mind like your, you are a natural fit for that task.

My friend, this Club sends you forth with your partner in service with our prayers, best wishes and the blessings and protection of the great architect of the universe, into this new avenue of service, and wish you well!

Madam President, let me close by sounding a note of caution to fellow Rotarians who, in their travels may henceforth encounter Vic, robe with the accoutrements of his new office, and rush to embrace him with exclamations of “Vic” – they should not be offended if they are met with a somber response and muted whisper - “it is now Your Excellency.”

**Rotarian Chrispen Hackett.**

Everyone deserves to get a friend, boss and mentor like you

That is why we won’t ask you to forcefully continue

Just like how we benefitted so much

From your tutelage and guidance

Others too deserve an opportunity

To work with you at least once

With such feelings we bid you

A tearful goodbye

Happy knowing that now you will

Help others reach the sky

So sorry that you’re leaving.

This place won’t be the same.

We’ll never forget you....errr...eem.umm...errr oh.....Vic!

But seriously we will miss you

Thats very true!

As we would say in naval terms ‘Fair winds and following seas!’

**The Response**

PP Vic spoke of some of his achievements working on behalf of Our Rotary Club and the Rotary Clubs of Barbados. He also included highlights as a local broadcaster. These include:

1. The Shirley Caesar Concert, which was one of the most successful Gospel Concerts in Barbados

2. The VOB Radiothon for Grenada in 2004. Some \$1.2 million was donated to District 7030 on the behalf of Barbados
3. The 2010 Radiothon for Haiti after the earthquake. \$1.3 million was donated
4. The 2016 support for Haiti of \$120k by Capital Media HD
5. The 1981 Visit by President Regan and the reception at Ilaro Court.

In closing PP Vic thanked the Club for providing him with the opportunity to make his contribution to Barbados and the Region.

**Before the Presentation by our Directors, SAA allowed for those who were late to be introduced.**

**Summary of Board Reports**

**International Service – PP David Antrobus**

- EREY – Members encouraged to make a contribution of at least US\$25 during the year
- District Conference 2025 – Deadlines for Reduced payments to September 30<sup>th</sup>, October and January 2025
- International Convention 2025 – Reduced payment to December 15, 2024

**Club Administration – Randy Marshall**

- Attendance for July 2024 was low at 46%
- Proposed Tour of Existing Projects scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup> 2024. Committee of PDG David and PPs Jedder and Michael coordinating

**Community Service – Katrina Alkins**

- School Signs Refurbishment – Saturday October 7<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m.
- CCB Movie Night – September 14
- Presentation to the Erdiston School by Interact St. Michael School to be finalized

**Public Image – Keri Mapp**

- Friday, August 23 – 63<sup>rd</sup> Installation of Officers 6:00 p.m. Members are encouraged to be on time
- Our Patron is expected to be in attendance
- Public Image

**Treasurer – Nikita Gibson**

- Dues for June to December are past due
- Awaiting Bank balances for the period to August 15<sup>th</sup>

Please click on the link below for the full board

report: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LR4JG\\_WoroKedG8QEp8Klh2bzTDoj5rkb/view?usp=drive\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LR4JG_WoroKedG8QEp8Klh2bzTDoj5rkb/view?usp=drive_link)

**Housekeeping**

SAA Peter disciplined the Club, highlighting those who were late.

President Arlene Thought for the Week

“Start where you are, use what you have, do what you can.” Arthur Ashe  
The Meeting was adjourned with a Toast to Rotary International

**Thank you Message from President Arlene**

Thank you to everyone for making our long overdue 63rd Installation Ceremony the lovely evening that it was. Thank you to everyone for the part they played.

Those who were unable to attend, we missed you, but know that you were there in spirit.

Congratulations to all awardees, all very well deserved!

To the board, I look forward to our year together making the Magic of Rotary.



Please click on the link below to see Pres. Arlene’s Installation speech.

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/0000007241/en-ca/files/homepage/pres-arlene-installation-speech/Installation-Speech-August-23.pdf>

Please click on the link below to see the awards given for the Rotary Year for 2023-2024.

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/0000007241/en-ca/files/homepage/rcob-awards-2023-2024/Rotary-Club-of-Barbados-Club-Awards-2023-24.pdf>

Please click on the link below to see IPP Ermine’s closing speech for the Rotary Year 2023-2024.

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000007241/en-ca/files/homepage/ipp-ermine-closing-speech/Closing-Speech-Ermine-Rotary-Year-2023-24.pdf>

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- September 5<sup>th</sup> – Past President’s Day
- September 7<sup>th</sup> – School Signs Painting
- September 12<sup>th</sup> – Business Meeting
- September 14<sup>th</sup> – Children’s Home Movie Night
- September 19<sup>th</sup> – Fellowship Meeting
- September 26<sup>th</sup> – Club Forum

**RaCOB/Satellite Club/EarlyAct**

August 31<sup>st</sup> – RaCOB Bingo

**DISTRICT 7030 EVENTS**

April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025 - District conference, Trinidad

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# CARDS OF FORTUNE

DID SOMEONE SAY "BINGO"??  
\$20 GETS YOU 4 BINGO CARDS!  
**Amazing prizes to be won!**  
6:00 P.M., AUGUST 31ST  
LOCATION: THE ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL  
*Registration is open!*




## SCHOOL SIGNS PAINTING


Saturday, 07 Sept | 7:00AM

Come out and enjoy a great morning of sign painting and fellowship starting at The Schoolhouse for Special Needs

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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## MOVIE NIGHT AT NIGHTINGALE

**14 SEPT**  
4:30 PM

THE CHILDREN'S HOME COMMITTEE WILL BE HOSTING THE CHILDREN OF THE NIGHTINGALE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE FOR A MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

PLEASE CONTACT RTN DAWN OR RTN KATRINA IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING.



### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Birthdays Rotarians

PP Fiona Hinds – September 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Birthdays – Partners-in-Service

Christopher – PP Carole Jn Marie – September 1<sup>st</sup>

Hyacinth – Rtn. Malcolm Vaughn – September 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Wedding Anniversaries

None

#### Join Date Anniversary

PP Denise Antrobus – 9 yrs – August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015

### 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