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1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
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**THE ROTARY CLUB OF BARBADOS
WELCOMES ALL VISITING ROTARIANS AND
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Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962 - Club # 6798

RI THEME: BE THE INSPIRATION

AUGUST—MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Today's Meeting is a Fellowship Meeting

RECAP: August 23, 2018—Fellowship Meeting



Last Thursday was an especially packed meeting. We Welcomed the President of the Rotary Club of Dominica, Cecil Shillingford, who received the proceeds of the contributions of the Rotary Clubs of Barbados to their ongoing rebuilding efforts from the devastation of Hurricane Maria on September 18, 2017; a year ago.



In addition we welcomed Guest Speaker, Mr. Roxroy Greenidge who spoke on e-commerce. He has been a banker for 13 years, eight of which were spent in Electronic Banking. Areas in electronic banking include Visa and MasterCard settlement and CARIFS settlement while at First Citizens Bank. Currently in his role at RBC, Roxroy is responsible for sales in electronic channels. These channels include POS Merchant Services, E-commerce and Cash Management.

(A summary of this presentation will be available later)

SUMMARY OF THE PRESENTATION

BACKGROUND

For those who may recall, just before the District Conference this year, we were paid a visit by two members of the Portsmouth Club of Dominica, who gave us a status update on Dominica. They were on their way to the District Conference in Suriname to request further district support in rebuilding Dominica.

The Nation Group, in collaboration with the Rotary Clubs of Barbados, on September 16, through a radiothon had raised funds for those countries in the region which were impacted by Hurricane Irma. Dominica was hit by Hurricane Maria on September 18.

Today these funds were handed over to President Cecil.

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President Cecil, in updating the Club on the progress made since the passage of the hurricanes last year, spoke to the challenges currently faced.

(The following presentations were taken from the Weekend Nation of August 24 and the Sunday Sun, August 26. They were written by Ms Rachelle Agard)

ROTARY HELPS DOMINICA PROJECT

The Rotary Club of Barbados has teamed up with the Rotary Club of Barbados, in assisting the school children with rebuilding a path and a bus shelter.

This is according to president of the Rotary Club of Dominica Cecil Shillingford who was speaking during the Rotary Club of Barbados' luncheon yesterday at Hilton Barbados. President of the Barbados club, Shawn Franklyn, also presented Shillingford with a cheque for an undisclosed sum towards the project.

"In terms of projects my club is looking at this walkway for students of two small communities: Massacre and the Canefield. The school is on the Massacre end and the children of Canefield have to walk down to that school.

"Prior to the hurricane they would walk on the inside of some barriers and on a footpath to get to the area, but because of the impact of Hurricane Maria, there was some collapsing of the slope and a lot of debris in the area. What we intend to do is remove the debris. The railing was also damaged so we're going to repair that, and repair the pavement areas that were damaged," he said.

Additionally, they would also be looking to repair a bus shelter used by the children.

"Dominica is a high rainfall area, and the shelter is used quite a bit. Again because of the hurricane it was unroofed. Last Saturday we were able to start to reroof it, and we're going to complete it next Saturday, and also start the work on the footpath," he said.

Meanwhile, on the more local side, the Rotary Club is also helping the fisher folk who would have lost all their equipment to get new equipment, and began a recycling project where the material is used to make tiles and jewellery. (RA)



President Cecil accepting the contribution from President Shawn on the behalf of the Rotary Clubs of Barbados

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DOMINICA 'NEEDS HELP'

Dominica is facing a dire problem in the area of reconstruction, and is currently importing skilled labour from other Caribbean islands to assist in their rebuilding efforts.

This is according to president of the Rotary Club of Dominica Cecil Shillingford, who was speaking to the media at yesterday's Rotary luncheon at Hilton Barbados.

"Immediately after the storm, once you have these big impact events people lose hope and they start looking for greener pastures. And given the level of damage we had from [Hurricane] Maria, a lot of houses went down and a lot of those people had nowhere to live and they left," he explained.

He said prior to Hurricane Maria, there were several storms that affected other Caribbean islands. As a result, people moved to assist those islands and found it difficult to return given the fact they were now employed over there.

"We really have a shortage of labour and we have to be importing labour from the other Caribbean islands. We have had teams from St Lucia, Trinidad and Tobago, Cuba and from Venezuela. I know past District Governor David Edwards is trying to mobilise a team in Barbados to come to Dominica to assist in some of the re-roofing," he said.

He added a lot of houses were still currently covered with tarpaulins.

"A lot of these tarps have a lifespan; after six months or so they start to give in, and people are having problems with staying in their homes because they are getting wet at this time. If you have a tarp on your house for six months that is giving in, then you start getting wet," he said.

Shillingford noted another issue facing Dominicans was the availability of material and sourcing of material from other countries, given the impact of Hurricane Irma.

"It is a problem, and any assistance that can be given in that direction Dominica will welcome it very much. Right now it is double trouble. We're coming out of Maria and entering a new hurricane season. I don't know if Dominica is a target for those hurricanes, but recently we had Hurricane Beryl that was approaching Dominica. Everybody was very nervous," he said.

The disaster management professional with over 25 years' experience said he knows what he went through following the passing of Hurricane Maria.

"I just got electricity six weeks ago. I still have no Internet, no television [and] the water goes and comes. And with Beryl approaching, people went into a state of panic. Right now the state does not have enough shelters around, and if Beryl was actually going to hit Dominica, you'd have more people sick in shelters coming out of the Maria experience than we ever had before," he said, adding that there were about 100 people still in shelters. (RA)

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ANNUAL BOAT PICNIC

The Club's Annual Boat Picnic is planned for Sunday September 16, 2018. PDG David, PP Ron, and PP John Cabral have made their boats available. The time for the picnic is 11.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. and we sail from the areas where each boat is docked. Please confirm your attendance by 12.00noon on Thursday, September 6 to PP Jerry via email to jer@premierevents.com.bb.

Remember the capacity is 36 and places will be allocated on a first response first accommodated bases. It is customary that the passengers on each boat provide their Food & Beverage. The Captains of each boat will contact each person on their boat regarding the menu.

Announcements

Wedding Anniversary

None this week

Birthday - Rotarians

Rtn. Fiona Hinds	Sep. 01
Rtn. O'Reilly Lennox Lewis	Sep. 03

Birthday - Partners in Service

Kay Williams - Rtn. Ronald Williams	Sep. 01
Christopher Jn Marie - PP Carole Eluthere Jn Marie	Sep. 01
Hyancinth Armstrong-Vaughn- Dir. Malcolm Vaughn	Sep 04

Join Date Anniversary

PP Algie Leacock	34 years	Sep 03, 1984
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MEETING DETAILS — August 23, 2018

Sergeant-At-Arms:	Rtn. Heather M. Tull
Attendance:	58%
Fines:	\$189.70

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.

AUGUST MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH GREETERS FOR AUGUST

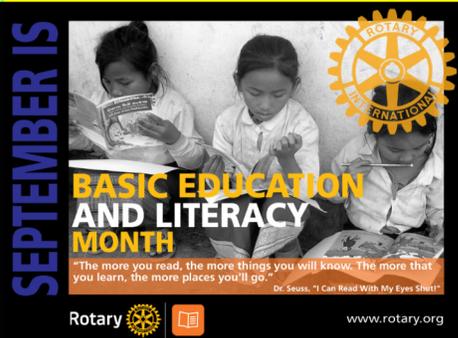
August 30: Rtn. Dr. Adrian Sealy and PP Brenda Pope



SEPTEMBER Basic Education and Literacy Month

GREETERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Sept 06: Rtn. Roger Blackman and Rtn. Dr. Beverly Agard
Sep 13: PP Erskine Thompson and Dir Adrian Skeete
Sep 20: PP Michael Browne and Rtn. Diana Douglin



Sept 27: No Meeting—Club Forum Sat 29th

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sep 13 - Past Presidents Day
Sep 16 - Our Annual Boat Picnic
Sep 29 - Club Forum
Sep 29-30 - RLI Training—St. Kitts & Nevis
Oct 16 - Pride of Workmanship Awards Dinner

OUR GUESTS—August 23, 2018

VISTING ROTARIANS:

David Tudor - Rotary Club of Canvey Island, UK
Cecil Shillingford - President, The Rotary Club of Dominica

GUESTS:

Melissa Leacock - Guest of PP Algie
Dawn Martin - Guest of PE Peter Williams
Roxroy Greenidge - Guest Speaker - Club Guest
Russell Campbell - Guest of Treasurer Kolé Mascoll
Members of the Media

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 Michael W. Browne