



ROTA NEWS



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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**?

Weekly meetings on **Thursdays** at

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Needham's Point, Aquatic Gap, St. Michael

at 12 p.m.

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www.clubrunner.ca/barbados

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

Today is a Fellowship Meeting with Guest Speaker Dr, Dexter James, who will speak on - "Options of Healthcare Financing: The Role of Healthcare Philanthropy".

Our Greeters are Past President Steve Brathwaite and Past Director Peter Williams



Past President Stephen G. Brathwaite joined the Club on May 23, 1991. His Classification is Automobile - Parts & Accessories. In April 1999 he was asked to take over as President while attending the District Conference in Guadeloupe after PE David Harding, due to a major change in his business operation, could not continue as President.

PP Steve in his Presidential Year 1999-2000 reviewed all previous projects and provided support for the refurbishment of the Boy's Scouts HQ and the Challenor School.

For 1994-95 PP Steve would have served as Director of Community Service, 1995-96 Vocational Service, 1997-98 Chair PR. He served as Chair Rota News 2003-2007. Currently he serves on the PR and Donations/Investigations Committees. He was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship in 2003

Past Director Peter Williams joined the Club on May 05, 2005. His Classification is Electric - Light & Power. He was introduced by PDG Sir Stanley Blanchette. Peter served as Director of Vocational Services 2009-2011. He served as Chair, Challenged & Senior Citizens 2006-2009. He has also served as Editor of the Rota News Bulletin. For 2014-15 he served on the Children's Homes, Vocational Service and PR Committees. He continues on the Children's Homes Committee.



Meet Our Guest Speaker - Dr. Dexter James, CEO of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Dr. Dexter James is a citizen of Trinidad and Tobago. His work experience spans in excess of 30 years in the field of banking and finance and corporate management. In the last 20 years, he has been at the forefront of public sector management and transformation in health (health reform) within the Caribbean. He has held a number of previous chief executive positions in the public health systems of Trinidad and Tobago, Grenada and Anguilla. In October 2009, he was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of the Queen Elizabeth



Hospital leading the transformation of the island's lone 600 bed tertiary care teaching hospital. Prior to this appointment, Dr James was employed with the Caricom Community Secretariat (CARICOM) as the *Director of Corporate Services*. He has provided advisory support to regional governments and engaged as an expert and technical resource for regional agencies such as PAHO and CAREC and international organizations such as Accreditation Canada.

Academically, he is a Certified Management Accountant (CMA) and a Chartered Accountant (CA) of Trinidad and Tobago with an MBA in Health Management from Walden University. He obtained his doctorate from Bangor University (U.K.) in Public Health Organization and Management, with emphasis on public sector organization, management and transformation. Dr. James has a special interest in public sector management and reforms, organizational transformation, performance management, strategic management and leadership.

He has presented research papers at international conferences in the U.K. and Australia on public health sector reform and is the recipient of an international award from the Emerald Group Publishing Limited for Outstanding Doctoral Research in the Management and Governance category.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FELLOWSHIP MEETING OF JULY 23, 2015 WITH GUEST SPEAKER JUSTICE LEROY INNISS, Q.C. & CHAIR ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE DONNA M. PIERRE

Justice W. LeRoy Inniss, Q.C. is well known locally for his scholarly contributions on Civics.



He has written extensively on the topic and was a natural fit to present on our Topic "Civics - How Government Works - the Barbadian context."

He was introduced by Past President Erskine, who is Chair of the Guest Speaker Committee.

Mr. Justice Inniss heightened the interest in his presentation when he posited that the **"Prime Minister of Barbados has more power than the President of the USA."**

This was contextualised as he spoke to the power to appoint Judges. As we are aware in the USA there is the process of Senate Hearings and Approval.

This question of power was raised at Question Time by Past Director Freddie Hart who sought to ascertain a "better" path to appoint Judges.

Mr. Justice Inniss reminded of the process of the Service Commissions which are appointed by "the Minister."

In his Vote of Thanks, PP Algie, a former student of the Guest Speaker, commended him on the range of his presentation, also touching on the "Power of the Office of the Prime Minister."

He comforted the audience by declaring that **"We get the Government we deserve!"**

The Discussion continued after the meeting.



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MEETING DETAILS - Thursday July 23, 2015

SAA - PP Vic Fernandes

- Attendance - 48%
- Raffle - \$79.35
- Winner - Past Director Trevor Whitehall
- Fines - \$144.00

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Last Thursday, Barbados along with other countries in the southern part of the Chain had faced a number of earthquake tremors during the week. These were continuing.

There was a level of local panic.

President Jedder requested Rotarian Donna Pierre, who is a disaster risk management specialist, to provide the Club with an update of the Kick 'Em Jenny submarine volcano which had signs of elevated seismicity leading to the UWI Seismic Research Centre issuing an orange alert on July 23, 2015.

The orange alert indicated that an eruption may begin with less than 24 hours' notice. During this period the public is advised to listen to the official radio station (in Barbados VOB is the recommended media house) for updates, as well as, to visit the Seismic Research Unit website if possible <http://www.uwiseismic.com>.

Rotarian Donna sought to allay fears or concerns that the country was under any Tsunami Warning. In light of the multiple sources of information inclusive of the social media, Rotarian Donna encouraged the members to ensure they verify information received adding that it was important to listen to the media for updates as well as to keep in close contact with the Department of Emergency Management, if possible. She further advised members to re-visit their preparedness plans as these were not easily predictable hazards (volcanoes and earthquakes). Members were encouraged to remain vigilant, be aware of their surroundings and become more familiar with the risks they are exposed to.

For further information on being prepared for earthquakes and other hazards you can also visit weready.org.

Again, the discussion continued after the meeting!



EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR

There are three things I want you to consider. Remember all amounts are US\$. And Credit card driven.

Giving US\$100-\$120 per year minimum
You can give the \$100 or any higher amount you can afford in one payment
Or you can set up a recurring (minimum) monthly payment of at least \$10.
When your giving reaches \$1,000, you become a Paul Harris FELLOW

2 . Give US\$1,000 annually and become a member of the PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY (or a one time \$10,000 and become a major Donor). Again, this can be done as one payment or as \$85 monthly
You can also either give by way of cash or estate planning, providing long term commitments to the permanent fund of the Rotary Foundation. A gift of \$1,000 or more will designate you as a benefactor and \$ 10,000 or more makes you a member of the Bequest Society

3. And remember too that we benefit from some of the money coming back to us for grants. The Rotary Club of Portsmouth , Dominica, just almost two years old has just been awarded a Global Grant to construct an Emergency Room at Portsmouth Hospital.

PDG David

END POLIO NOW

Nigeria goes one year without a case of polio

July 24, 2015

Today marks one year since the last case of polio in Nigeria, the only remaining polio-endemic country in Africa. This achievement – the longest period Nigeria has gone without a case of the paralyzing disease – could signal the world will soon see a polio-free Africa, a significant global health milestone.

ROTARY RELEASES US\$40.3 MILLION TO END POLIO WORLD-WIDE

June 16, 2015

The fight to eradicate polio gets an additional US\$40.3 million boost from Rotary in support of immunization activities and research to be carried out by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

UP-COMING EVENTS

Mar 07 - Club Charter Date - 1962

August - Membership & Extension Month

Aug 13 - Business Meeting

Aug 20 - Classification Talk & What Rotary Means To me

Aug 27 - Guest Speaker

Club Forum- September 05

GREETERS

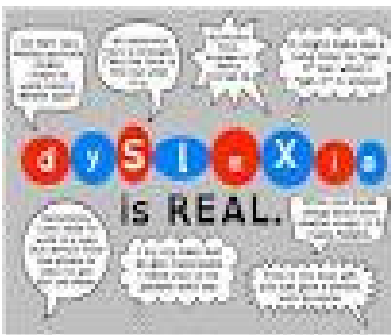
Aug 06 - PVP David Walker & PD Dr. Carol Belgrave

Aug 13 - Director Community Service Annie Bertrand & Director Vocational Service Winston Warren

Aug 20 - Rotarians Nicholas Waithe & Dr. Albert Best

Aug 27 - Past Director Vocational Service Kim Tudor & Rotarian Sanjay Amin

District Project -



a general term for disorders that involve difficulty in learning to read or interpret words, letters, and other symbols, but that do not affect general intelligence.

OUR GUESTS

VISITORS

Mr. Justice Inness - Guest Speaker

Alexandra Leacock - PP Algie Leacock

Jonathan Leacock - PP Algie Leacock

ROTARIAN

Robert Wright - Rotary Club of St. Andrew, Jamaica

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 Anniversary

President Jedder &

Heather Robinson

36 yrs July 28, 1979

Birthday - Rotarians

Hon Rotarian Sir Frank Blackman

July 31

Birthday - Partners in Service

Heather Robinson - President Jedder

Aug 04

Join Date Anniversary

None this week

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Welcome to ROTARY AROUND THE WORLD Corner. The aim is to keep

you abreast of our upcoming District Conference and Rotary International Convention.

District Conference: **20th-23rd April**

2016, Bridgetown, Barbados. Rotary

International Convention: **28th May -1st June 2016**, Seoul Korea. Look out for additional information monthly!!!!



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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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