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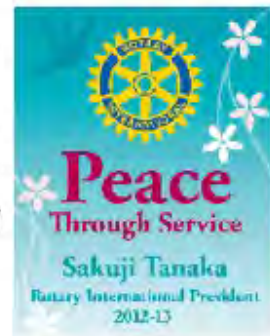
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Governors attending Zone Institute –

Please plan to stay One Day More after Zone! Join us for CPC2013 at Boca Raton!

www.caribbeanpartnership.org

Please give your Rotary Clubs – and your Caribbean Partnerships – the recognition that you all deserve!

Send your stories to the newsletter for publication. Don't let us have to discover them accidentally!

With such excellent projects and so much hard work, you all deserve so much thanks and recognition!

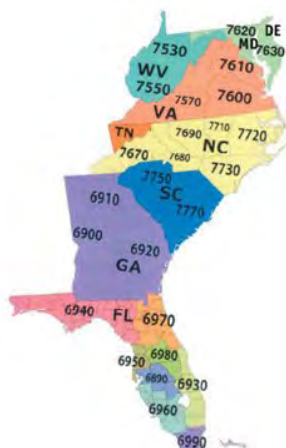


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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Caribbean Partnership Celebration, 2013

September 8-9, 2013

Boca Raton Resort and Country Club in South Florida

Immediately following the Zone Institute

...more information later in this newsletter

CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP

Caribbean Partnership

The Caribbean Partnership provides opportunities for Rotarians in the United States and throughout the countries of the Caribbean and North Atlantic to

- *become better educated as to our respective cultural similarities and differences and*
- *to develop relationships, share knowledge, ideas, and interests that would result in partnered clubs.*



*CP Chair
Horace McCormack*



A welcome message from the Chair of the Caribbean Partnership

Dear CP Family,

The Caribbean Partnership Initiative continues to grow and expand into being a well-established program in Zones 33 and 34. The program has accomplished a lot over the past 8 years and continues to show great potential for doing good things in the world in the future.

We continue to see greater from ALL 29 Districts in our Zones which enhances relationships and create more projects between approximately 1500 clubs. We emphasize relationship building first between the clubs, and from such relationships tend to yield great service projects or exchanges. It is important that Rotarians recognize that we are not about Clubs expending funds immediately in partnerships but getting to know and understand the needs of each other and it won't be difficult to get rolling on doing a project or two together. That is our mission between the mainland USA and the Clubs of the Caribbean.

Therefore, we encourage every club in the Mid-Atlantic and South Eastern USA to identify a Caribbean partner and log onto the website at www.caribbeanpartnership.org to complete the applicable forms to become established. Remember, this does not require the expenditure of any funds or major commitment than just to become a friend of a Caribbean Club and vice versa. Reach out today and get partnered!

To further encourage networking and connections between Rotary leaders we hold an annual Caribbean Partnership Celebration event either in Zone 33 or 34 where we show-case successful programs and projects among our clubs. To this end, we are inviting all Rotarians and Friends of Rotary to attend the Caribbean Partnership Celebration which is being held at the Boca Raton Resort and Country Club, September 8-9, 2013. This year, we are the same location as the Zone Institute which should make it convenient for all those attending the Institute to stay ONE more DAY! Just extend your visit by one day and participate in a wonderful Calypso Night of FUN!!

The Conference promises to be very exciting with numerous breakout sessions, presentations and displays of amazing service projects and initiatives taking place in the region with emphasis being placed on the success of the Caribbean Partnership Program over the past year. We will have short presentations and displays from various clubs that have had successful experiences in partnering on projects through the Program. We will recognize a number of individuals who have participated in significant ways to help the Program enjoy its level of success.

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Caribbean Partnership Program, I would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to our CPC2013 Chairman, PDG Todd Dayton, and his Committee for their hard work to plan and lead the Conference for us this year. We are looking forward to a real CALYPSO TIME at BOCA Raton in Florida! Come join us!! Remember, it is easy to register at www.caribbeanpartnership.org.

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If you have a special project to present or display at the CP Celebrations event please contact CPC Chairman Todd Dayton as soon as possible. His information is available on the CPC page of the CP Website.

If you are in Lisbon, Portugal, for the Rotary International Convention, please be sure to visit our booth in the House of Friendship and say 'hello' to our fine Rotarians covering the booth.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation for the hard working Executive Committee of the Caribbean Partnership Program. They are committed Rotarians who take on their assignments and execute in a responsible and reliable manner. For this they are to be commended and recognized whenever you connect with them around the region. With their support this CP Program has accomplished a lot and will do greater things in the years ahead.

Please continue to think positive and believe that sky is the limit in what we can do with the Caribbean Partnership Program. Let's keep it going, mon!

Yours in Rotary service,

Horace

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND CHAIRS	
<i>Position</i>	<i>...held by</i>
CP Chair – re-elected for 2013-14	PDG Horace McCormack
Immediate Past CP Chair	Jy Vlass
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CP Vice Chair-elect	PDG Lara Quentrall-Thomas
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Assistant Treasurer for 2013-16	PDG Laile Fairbairn
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Chair, Satellite Phones	PDG David Edwards
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PDG Nancee Barbee	7730
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PDG Roy Strickland	6900
PDG Carol King	7670

Caribbean Partnership Celebration 2013



Please log in to the website – www.caribbeanpartnership.org to register and find more information.

Event/registration questions/volunteers

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Financial Issues

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- Conveniently located to three major airports (FLL, PBI, MIA)
- Transportation available to/from hotel
- \$98 room rate available before and after the event
- Celebration begins 1:00 p.m. Sunday, September 8, immediately following close of Zone Institute
- Working sessions in all major areas of focus - global grant projects

CPC 2013

Two days of celebration of the partnerships of the Rotary clubs of the mainland and the islands in Zone 33 & 34. Come spend two days, one night at the beautiful Boca Resort immediately following the Zone Institute September 8-9.

Take Aways:

- Motivational speaker and successful entrepreneur Marga Fripp of Empowered Women International keynote Sunday night
- RID/VP Anne Mathews-Opening Session
- RIDE Robert Hall-Opening Session
- Updates on the Rotary efforts in Haiti
- Breakout groups on the 6 areas of focus
- Global grant program
- Specific projects and how your district can help **before** you depart!



Sunday Night Speaker



Marga Fripp, the Founder and President of Empowered Women International, is an award-winning social entrepreneur, and an international consultant in art marketing and entrepreneurship with a focus on women.

Marga created [Empowered Women International \(EWI\)](#) to give voice and create entrepreneurial opportunities for immigrant, refugee and other marginalized women. Over the past ten years, Marga's effective and passionate leadership turned EWI from a volunteer-run program to an award-winning organization with more than 3,500 supporters, over 2,500 women beneficiaries, and more than 1 million dollars generated in donated services.

This year's event in addition to the program and breakout session we will have the Calypso night on Sunday night! Join us for an evening of the steel drum band Rhythm Trail as they provide pre-event music and will help us dance the night away following dinner! Grab that Caribbean flower shirt and join us for a kickback kind of evening with Marga Fripp, great fellowship, games and music on Island time in Boca!

*Late night
Cigar/Rum event
on the patio,
favorite bottle
sharing
encouraged!*



WHY CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP?

Our Purpose

1. Cultural Exchange
2. Developing Rotary Relationships, Fellowship, and Friendships
3. Increasing communications between countries
4. Sharing Rotary ideas and interests and assisting in strengthening Rotary in partnered clubs and districts
5. Developing joint projects as a natural evolution from each of the above
6. Assisting individuals with the basic necessities of life in the event of a disaster

Our program falls under *The Family of Rotary* and includes our *Partners in Service (Interact, Rotaract)*

Finding a Partner:

Rotary Clubs from the **Caribbean** and USA **Mainland** that would like to establish a Partner Club relationship are asked to fill out a Partner Club Agreement Form USA Mainland or Caribbean Forms.

To prevent spamming, you will need to be a certified user of this website to gain access to the available forms. Please create an account in the sidebar to the right and when we receive your request for account creation we will allow access to our forms.

Forms available on the *Caribbean Partnership website include:*

Caribbean Club Agreement Form
U.S. Club Agreement Form

VISIT THE CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP WEBSITE



www.caribbeanpartnership.org

LISBON RI CONVENTION

June 23-36, 2013. – Details can be found at - <http://lisboa2013.org/>

Registration & Hotel booking can be done via the above link.

View a video of the convention here – <http://vimeo.com/37825756>

If you area unable to attend, you can see photos published online -

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Lisboa-2013-Rotary-Convention/171310662916683>



About the program

Thought-provoking speakers and world-class entertainers await Rotarians in Lisbon. Get the full schedule of [plenary and breakout sessions](#) as it is announced.



About the city

Portugal's capital is an enchanting mix of centuries-old splendor and modern appeal. From sun-drenched beaches to haute cuisine, [Lisbon has something for everyone.](#)

Public Image Citation

Is your club on the list of clubs receiving a Public Image Citation this year? If not, encourage your club's leadership to use public relations to plan a public image building campaign and earn next year's Public Image Citation.

Yours in Rotary,

Carlos H Giraldo, PDG
Rotary Public Image Coordinator - Zone 34

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

2013 RYLA NA Theme:
Peace Through Dance



RYLA North America Conference 2013
5 Year Anniversary of the RYLA North America Conference
July 2-7, 2013
Hosted by District 7620
George Washington University
Washington, DC, USA

Anguila - Bahamas - Barbados - Belize - British Virgin Islands - Canada - Cayman Island - Dominica - French Guiana - Grenada - Guadeloupe
Guatemala - Guyana - Haiti - Honduras - Jamaica - Martinique - Mexico - Montserrat - Nicaragua - Puerto Rico - St Barts - St Kitts & Nevis
St Martin/St Maarten - St Vincent & The Grenadines - Suriname - Trinidad & Tobago - Turks & Caicos Island - USA - U.S Virgin Islands
and friends around the world



WHAT IS RYLA (ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS)?

The RYLA North America 2013 Program is an intense leadership training program that is designed to recognize, encourage, and further develop the leadership skills of 18-30 year old who have shown a potential for rendering important service to their local communities. The conference will be in Washington, DC, USA and will be from Tuesday, July 2, 2013 and will end on Sunday, July 7, 2013. All Rotaractors, and non-Rotaractors, RYLA alumni, former Youth Study Exchange, former Group Study Exchange alumni, former Ambassadorial Scholar alumni, former Interactors and former Peace Scholars between the ages of 18-30 are can participate in this conference.



...submitted by PDG Rupert W. Ross, Jr. (Delegate)



2013 Council on Legislation Highlights

21 -26 April 2013
Chicago, Illinois, USA

The Council consisted of Rotarians representing the 532 Rotary districts.

The Council meets every three years.

The 2013 Council considered more than 170 enactments and resolutions.

Some of the enactments or resolutions approved by the Council are as follows:



- Increased in the annual per capita dues: \$54 in 2014-15, \$55 in 2015-16, and \$56 in 2016-17. Dues for 2013-14 had already been set at \$53.
- Allowed districts to have more than two e-clubs.
- Approved satellite clubs, whose members meet at a different time and location from their parent club but are still considered members of the parent club.
- Increases the number of club that can take part in pilot projects from 200 to 1000.
- Approved changing the name of the Rotary's Fifth Avenue of Service, currently called "New generation Service" to "Youth Service".
- Approved a measure allowing participation in club projects to count toward club attendance requirements.
- Approved a measure allowing Rotarian outside the United States and Canada to receive an electronic edition of their official regional Rotary magazine.
- Approved a measure creating the office of vice governor, who would act as a substitute in the governor became unable to serve.
- Rejected raising the age limit of Rotaractors to 35.
- Rejected a measure establishing lower dues for Rotaractors who want to join Rotary.
- Approved that the certified semi-annual reports be circulated to the club members.
- Mandated that the club secretary be a member of the board.
- Require that the club president be a member of the club for a period of one year, with exceptions subject to the Governor's approval.
- Created the title of governor-designate.

- Eliminated the minimum semi-annual dues for small clubs.
- Allows for the reduction or waiver of per capita dues in the event of natural disasters.
- Approved the resolution requesting the RI Board to consider designating the Rotary Leadership institute as an affiliate or as a structures program of RI.

An official report of the Council's action will be sent to the clubs. Clubs will have an opportunity to record their opposition to an action. If at least 5 percent of the clubs entitled to vote oppose an action, the legislation will be suspended and a ballot-by-mail will be conducted.

A majority vote would cause the proposal to be rejected. Otherwise, all Council actions will go into effect 1 July 2013.

Council on Legislation Historical Timeline

1933	Was created as an advisory body to assist with the review of enactments and resolutions proposed at the annual convention.
1950	This Council is noted for adopting "Service above Self" and "He Profits Most Who Serves Best" as Rotary mottoes.
1954	The Council adopted a biennial framework for voting on enactments and resolutions.
1970	This convention made the Council RI's official legislative body.
1974	Delegates decided that the Council will meet triennially, still in conjunction with the convention.
1977	The Council adopted an enactment to meet separately from the convention.
1980	The Council supported Rotary's efforts to immunize children against polio.
1986	The Council adopted a resolution endorsing Rotary's commitment to immunizing the world's children against polio. Subsequent Councils made polio eradication Rotary's top priority.
1989	The Council voted to admit women into Rotary clubs.
2001	This Council received more than 1000 proposals and published and considered over 600.

What happened to the thief who stole a calendar? He got 12 months.

Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

How do you organize a space party? You planet.

What do you get when you cross poison ivy with a 4-leaf clover? A rash of good luck.

What did the ocean say to the other ocean? Nothing, they just waved.

What do you get when you cross a stream and a brook? Wet feet.

THE CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP BROCHURE

First - The brochure front –

CP Projects Include:

- Water Wells and Sanitation Projects
- Twinning of Clubs
- Literacy Programs
- Renewable Energy Systems
- Ambulances and Mobile Blood Units
- Computers for Schools
- Friendship Exchanges
- Youth Development
- DAF projects in Haiti and other islands



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CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP NOTES

- CP is moving along well with lots of interest being shown by Districts and Clubs in both zones.
- The CP Chair, Horace, had the opportunities to promote CP at the recently completed Four (4) Districts Chesapeake PETS in Reston, Virginia. PEs were encouraged to seek out partners in the Caribbean and get signed up on our website at www.caribbeanpartnership.org.
- All are encouraged to attend CPC2013 in Boca Raton, Florida, September 8-9.
- We all were reminded that projects are only one part of CP. The focus is friendship and relationship building. We should highlight the new partnerships and the friendships that follow.

Now - The back of the brochure -

Goals of the Caribbean Partnership

To emphasize Rotary friendship and service.

To establish long term relationships between clubs.

To enhance understanding of different cultures within the Zones.

To provide assistance as needed.



Many Districts are Members or Associates of the CP so sign up today to partner with a Club or District. For more information visit www.caribbeanpartnership.org



The Caribbean Partnership is a 501.c.(3) and official RI program which includes Rotarians from across the Mid-Atlantic and South Eastern USA, Puerto Rico and the Caribbean.

Languages spoke include English, French, Spanish, Dutch, Patois and Kreyòl.

Each year our Rotarians gather to renew friendships and exchange project updates at the annual Caribbean Partnership Conference.

The 2013 CP Conference will be held in Boca Raton, Florida on September 8-9.

Register at www.caribbeanpartnership.org or call (954) 369-8667 for details

CARIBBEAN - ZONE 33 & 34

Districts 7000

Districts 7001

Catch the Wave
Zones 33-34
Caribbean Partnership



Using Member Access

...Lindsey Cancino



Member Access is a secure, accessible location for Rotarians and club and district leaders to conduct Rotary business and access information. Log in to www.rotary.org.

You can also

- Donate to The Rotary Foundation
- Manage e-mail subscriptions
- Manage contact information
- Register for convention
- Browse the Official Directory
- Access training

Other tools may be available to you depending on your Rotary office. For example, club presidents and secretaries can

- Search, view, and update club membership and officer data
- Pay RI per capita dues
- View Foundation and membership reports

How do I start using Member Access?

To start using Member Access, click [create account](#) on the Member Access [log in page](#).

Need help creating a Member Access account? See [FAQ](#) for details.

Have you considered a Rotary E-Club?

*Here is a heartwarming post in Facebook concerning the ability of an E-Club to build Rotary "partnerships" worldwide – part of a global village!
Virtual friends - a real partnership*



Rachid Karroo
about an hour ago • 🌐

The Rotary E-Club D9220 has a bright future ahead. We will be celebrating our 1st year anniversary in 2 weeks time. So many things have been accomplished with the help of all the "virtual" rotarians within the Club. We have managed to build a fellowship among our members coming from different horizon (Mauritius, Madagascar, Reunion, USA and elsewhere). We have had guests and visiting Rotarians from nearly all continents. We have two great sponsors, The Rotary Club of Port Louis and the Rotary Club of Grand Bay. Finally we have two great Rotary E-Club partners, the Rotary E-Club of District 9920 (French Polynesia) and Rotary E-Club D 7020 (The Caribbean). Our exchange has gone beyond everything that can be imagined. It is just like a BIG family scattered around the world and pursuing the same objective of Service Above Self to our respective Community.

World Water Summit 2013 Lisbon, Portugal

June 21, 2013

... A small child takes my hand, and with a big smile, leads me over to her new toilet block. I am visiting a rural school near Dodoma in Tanzania. Before Rotarians got involved, this primary school sent the school children, all 800 of them, out to the edge of the field to defecate. And, with no source of water and no soap, hand washing was out of the question.



But will these new toilets last? Who will maintain them? Who replaces the soap? Will the teachers teach hand washing in the future? What is the best technology to propose? Ensuring a lasting project is often a complex challenge.

Rotarians are making a difference, helping to improve access to water, sanitation, and hygiene education (WASH), one of The Rotary Foundation's six areas of focus. Wasrag, the "Toilet" at Tanzanian primary school before Rotarians got involved

Water & Sanitation Rotarian Action Group, supports Rotary Clubs and Districts in their work, by providing help with education, technical advice, networking, and funding.

Don't miss one of the most exciting events in this year's Rotary calendar!

The World Water Summit, held immediately before the RI convention on Friday June 21 has a great agenda that will appeal to everyone interested in WASH. Poor (or no) sanitation is emerging as the most critical barrier to improving life for millions of people. And yet it is so often ignored. Hence this year's focus on sanitation.

WWSV features some of the world's foremost experts on sanitation and hygiene, including:

- Jack Sim, President, World Toilet Organization, Singapore
- Dr. Kamal Kar, Founder, Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS), Kolkata, India
- Caterina Fonseca, WASH Cost Project Director, IRC, The Hague

NEW THIS YEAR!

Take part in the first Wasrag **Speed Project Fair**, an innovative approach to sharing project opportunities! Register Now! For information or to register go to: www.wasrag.org

Rotarians the world-over strive to improve the quality of life for those less fortunate. Yet today 1.1 billion people - 15% of the planet's population, uses no form of sanitation. In developing regions almost half the population – 2.5 billion – still lack access to improved sanitation.

Access to safe water has improved dramatically but there is so much more to do. We recognize that access to water is the first step in improving the quality of life. But it will only be sustainable if it is accompanied by improved sanitation, and hygiene education to sustain better hygiene practices.

Join your fellow Rotarians, Friday June 21st, in Lisbon, to improve your skills, make new friends, and share your knowledge and experiences. For more information see: www.wasrag.org

**World Water Summit 2013
Lisbon, Portugal**

June 21, 2013

Immediately before the
Rotary International Convention



ROTARY'S AREAS OF FOCUS



Every year, floods destroy
rice worth more than \$1 billion
in Asia.



Scientists have developed a new variety
called **SCUBA RICE**, which can survive up to
17 days of flooding. And that allows farmers
to keep most of their crop.

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www.wasrag.org | www.startwithwater.org



Break out sessions on
important topics such as:

**Moving up the
Sanitation Ladder:
Step 2**

**Appropriate Technologies
In Sanitation - Focus on
Eco-Sanitation**

- Dr. Sasha Kramer,
Founder of SOIL, Haiti
- David Auerbach,
Co-founder of Sanergy,
Kenya
- Jack Sim,
Founder of World Toilet
Organization, Singapore

**Effective Hygiene
Education Programs**

- Sandra Callier,
WASHPlus, Washington
- Sally Cowal,
PSI, Washington
- Dr. Est Awuah,
Kwame Nkrumah, Ghana

**Effective Monitoring
and Evaluation Programs**

- Harold Lockwood,
Aquaconsult
- Cathy Leslie,
Engineers Without Borders
- USA
- Naabla Ofosu-Amaah,
Global Water Challenge

Registration fees:

Wasrag Members	\$175
Non-Members*	\$200
Rotaractors*/students	\$100

*Includes lunch and annual
Wasrag membership

Successful CP Projects

Stories of interest at June, 2013

ROTARY CLUB OF MANDEVILLE, JAMAICA

Boost for maternity patients in Mandeville **Another Rotarian gift for Mandeville Regional Hospital**

BY ALICIA SUTHERLAND Observer staff reporter
sutherlanda@jamaicaobserver.com
Monday, May 06, 2013

...submitted by Karlene Kelly-Reid



Rotarians, staff at the Mandeville Regional Hospital and guests with the donated equipment.

The article was published in the *Jamaican Daily Observer* of the handover of Critical Life Saving Foetal Monitoring Equipment to the Mandeville Regional Hospital which was done on April 29, 2013.

This was the culmination of a matching grant project which involved several partners.

MANDEVILLE, Manchester — The Rotary Club of Mandeville last Monday presented US\$56,000 worth of equipment for the care of maternity patients to the Mandeville Regional Hospital.

The package included foetal monitoring machines, vital sign monitors, patient monitors,

an operating theatre table, pulse oximeters and 40 boxes of recording paper for use in the foetal monitoring machines.

Percy Junor Hospital (PJH), on the border of North East Manchester and North West Clarendon which works closely with the Mandeville Regional, also benefitted from a vital sign monitor.

The donation flowed from a partnership of the *Rotary Club of Mandeville*, the Rotary Foundation, Scotia Foundation, *Rotary Club of Grand Cayman*, *Rotary Club of Naples in Florida*, the *Rotary Club of Vienna* along with nine other rotary clubs in Virginia.

The maternity equipment is the second donation to Mandeville Regional by the Rotary Club of Mandeville during its 2012-2013 administration. Equipment for prostate cancer screening was donated last year.

"You are like favourite uncles and aunts now," Chief Executive Officer of the MRH Alwyn Miller told the Rotarians at the handover.

Noting that the last major renovation was done at the Mandeville Regional Hospital 11 years ago, Miller said the organisation is trying to "retool" despite challenges.

"It is with partnerships like these that we will be able to achieve so much more in the future," said Dr Leighton Wynter in a greeting delivered on behalf of Acting Senior Medical Officer Everton McIntosh.



Dr Carlos Wilson, Senior Medical Officer at the Percy Junor Hospital, collected one of the Vital Sign Monitors from President of the Rotary Club of Mandeville on behalf of the medical facility.

Bobby Young, Past District Foundation Chairperson of Rotary District 7020, which include the clubs in Jamaica and other parts of the Caribbean, said that there have been "remarkable strides" in the number of clubs accessing the matching grants made available by the Rotary Foundation in order to complete service projects.

"There is some \$2.9 billion of funds in the Foundation. There are still more funds to access, so feel free," he said.

Dr. Patricia Velkoff of the Rotary Club of Vienna said the organisation's code of ethics ensures accountability and the continuity of donations.

Read more: http://www.jamaicaobserver.com/regional/Boost-for-maternity-patients_14211991#ixzz2UFubh5T9



Left - FVAC, PADG, PDGSC, Club Administrator Dr. Patrick Adizua of the Rotary Club of Mandeville and Dr. Patricia Velkoff, one of the partners in the project. **Right** - Some of the equipment that was handed over

Host Cosponsor

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The Hospital Staff and Rotarians admiring the equipment.

ROTARY'S FOUR-WAY TEST

One of the most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics in the world is the Rotary “Four-Way Test.” It was created by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor in 1932 when he was asked to take charge of the Chicago-based Club Aluminum Company, which was facing bankruptcy. Taylor looked for a way to save the struggling company mired in depression-caused financial difficulties. He drew up a 24-word code of ethics for all employees to follow in their business and professional lives. The Four-Way Test became the guide for sales, production, advertising and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company was credited to this simple philosophy.

Herb Taylor became president of Rotary International during 1954-55. The Four-Way Test was adopted by Rotary in 1943 and has been translated into more than 100 languages and published in thousands of ways. The message should be known and followed by all Rotarians.

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?

MIDTOWN ATLANTA ROTARY *Opens Haitian School*



Barbara Rose

March 8, 2013 was a day for rejoicing from Midtown Atlanta, Georgia to Croix des Bouquets, Haiti. That was the day of the official Ribbon Cutting for the Ecole Mixte des Aigles (Co-Ed School of the Eagles) that has been funded and supervised by Midtown Atlanta Rotary members and a retired professor from Georgia Tech.

It was an emotional moment when the children from pre-school to second grade sang the Haitian national anthem in French followed by the USA national anthem in English. Schradrac Saint Louis, director of the school and teacher, was the Master of Ceremonies. He honored the Midtown Atlanta Rotary Club for its financial and physical support, Professor (ret.) Richard Martin for his guidance and design, all donors and the partnership of the Petionville Rotary Club (Haiti).

The elementary grade school is constructed from "retired" shipping containers (the process came from a Georgia Tech class project led by Professor Martin) and includes classrooms, a kitchen and a cafeteria. Although it is primarily for the young children, to run a more efficient building and operation, a vocational school for teenagers and adults has been added. This venture holds classes later in the day when the children have returned to their homes. These "homes," in many families, are still three year old, post earthquake, temporary tents (some are Rotary Shelter Boxes) that are now moldy, torn and unsafe.

The actual construction was done by Haitian workers, some being parents of the students and some being the teachers of the school. Having funds given and collected by the Midtown Atlanta Rotary Club and on-site work done by Haitians has created a strong partnership of pride and commitment to build the school, staff it with professional teachers, and recruit parents to prepare nutritional meals. As new donations are secured, Midtown Atlanta Rotary Club and the Haitian team pledge to build dormitories to move the children out of the tents and to provide financial assistance to operate the school.

Several Midtown Atlanta Rotary members were present for this celebration along with other donors from New York and the Somers (NY) Rotary Club. In addition to the core funding from Midtown Atlanta Rotary Club, contributions for the project have been given by Rotary Clubs in New York and Bulgaria along with individuals from Georgia, California, Colorado, and New York.

A complete photo and written history of the project, designed by Cheryl Rose Web Designs, can be found on the Midtown Atlanta Rotary Club web site: www.midtownrotary.org

NOTE: Photos follow on the progress of the school construction.

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3 years later, still in tents!!



Containers in place on school campus



Left – levelling containers - Right – Roof begun



Welding the door - Constructing the roof



Exercise before class



Roof is on



Left - Beginning a kitchen – Right – We need paint



Vocational class, teens and adults



Waiting for lunch



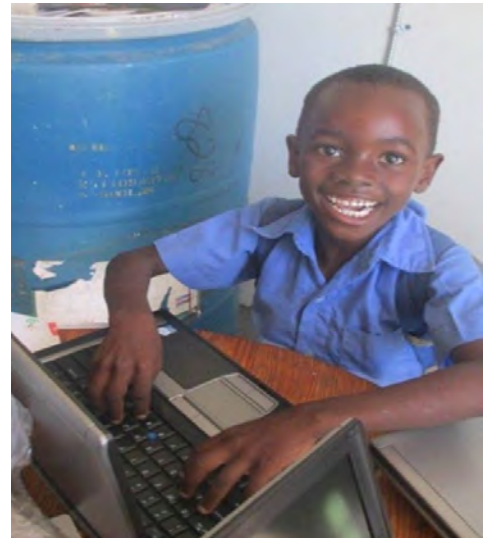
Kitchen pass-through – Lunch of rice and beans



Left - Decorated classroom – Right – Sewing class



Desks in place and books!



Computer class – wow a real computer!



Left – “I will take care of this computer.” Right - Coed school of eagles



Thanks to everyone who contributed!

How Singing came to Rotary, and Off-Color Jokes did not! Almost everyone who is a member of a Rotary club for more than a year knows that Rotary member No. 5, Chicago printer Harry Ruggles, brought singing to Rotary meetings. What almost no one knows is why, and most don't know how important it was to the life of Rotary.



Harry Ruggles was a very moral man. He detested off-color language, malicious innuendo and classless humor. He argued in club meetings for clean language. Little more than a year after Rotary had been formed, at an evening meeting in 1906, the guest speaker began a story. Having heard it before, Harry also had heard the off-color ending, and felt it was inappropriate for the club, so he

jumped up in the middle of the joke and yelled, "Come on boys, let's sing!" He then led the club in the singing of "Let Me Call You Sweetheart."

This was not only the first time that members had ever sung in Rotary, but apparently, also the first time that a group of businessmen ever sang at a business meeting, anywhere. By his surprising actions at this evening meeting, Harry demonstrated that demeaning activities and off-color stories were not welcome at Rotary gatherings. "It was reported at the time that the would-be speaker was embarrassed and sore," and so Harry Ruggles apologized, but the club backed him up. Right then and there, it was decided that all subsequent Rotary meetings should be conducted so that any woman could attend without being embarrassed. This has been the unwritten rule ever since, just as the tradition of singing has endured.

ROTARY E-CLUB OF THE CARIBBEAN, 7020 (provisional)



The Butterfly Storybook has been published and is available as an E-book online at the following URL. Please have a look!

English version –

http://issuu.com/rotary7020/docs/butterfly_e-storybook_2013

The book is now published online in French – along with English - though a few translations are still necessary before we actually print the French version of the storybook. If you wish to read the stories in French, however, you can do so online here:

French version –

http://issuu.com/rotary7020/docs/e-book_for_printer_fr

*Right -
Young writers in Cayman Brac proudly displaying
their Butterfly Certificates of participation in the
project!*



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*Right -
Early Actor Roquan Cameron addresses the Rotary Club of St. Thomas and
outlines the characters he selected to shape his story line about bullying &
rescue in "Walkie Talkie Buddies."*



ROTARY CLUB OF PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI

...submitted by Malherbe Colas

Multiplies its humanitarians actions



Thanks to the Rotary Club of Port-Au-Prince , the first Rotary Club installed in Haïti, many children with cardiac malformation benefit continually from medical and surgical appropriate cares. Legions are those who, since three decades, have been sent outside the country to receive those treatments, and God helping, they all return home with their youthful energy recovered.

The Gift Of Life Inc., whose Registered Office is located in New York City, does not spare its efforts around the world to relieve and definitively cure those ill-fated people. The high cost of travel, the stay at the welcome country, and the hospital cares given to these children compel the principals responsible to change their system by giving cure to those children in their own respective country. So, since three consecutive years, infantile surgical cardiac technicians are welcome in Haïti and have operated on almost 50 young persons with heart trouble at the Clinic Lambert in Petion-Ville.

Those cardiac surgeons for children, nurses, lab assistants, instrumentalists, anesthesiologists are from several horizons (USA, France). Their presence on the native soil is facilitated by Matching Grants between different entities as the Rotary International, the **Districts 7250, 7260, 7020, 5510, 6840**, the Rotary Club of Port-Au-Prince, KADO LAVI, a foundation of the Rotary clubs of the country, including the unconditional support of George Solomon and Florence Marc-Charles.

On January 12, 2011, Gift Of Life Inc. operated on Lovely Ajuste, a young Haitian girl coming from Haiti in order to commemorate the terrible **earthquake** of 2010. An unequalled publicity has been made on several newspapers of New York City with the photo of Lovely on the cover pages, hoping to raise sensitivities of international authorities in favour of the devastated island.

The main goal of KADO LAVI is to possess its own medical center to teach infantile surgery to Haitian surgeons , nurses, technicians and so on, so they take over from those foreign benefactors who care so much about our own young fellow citizens.

A new medical mission led by the surgeon François Lacour-Gayet of Monte Fiore Hospital of New York city, accompanied by Robert Raylman, Director of Gift Of Life Inc., landed in Port-Au-Prince this March 14. 2013, for bringing again the well-being to our young patients.

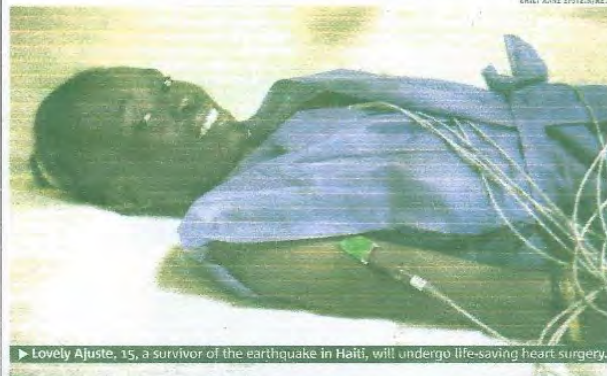
- Long live the Gift Of Life Inc.
- Long live the Districts 7250, 7020, 7260, 5510, 6840
- Long live the foundation KADO LAVI
- Long live the Rotary club of Port-Au-prince.

*Eng. Malherbe Colas
Rotary Club of Port-Au-Prince
Coordinator KADO LAVI*

The story as appeared in the Haitian newspaper follows:

Out of agony, a healed heart

► From shattered Port-au-Prince comes a girl who receives surgery tomorrow ► Doctor was among those who visited Haiti in the aftermath of the quake



► Lovely Ajuste, 15, a survivor of the earthquake in Haiti, will undergo life-saving heart surgery.

If one good thing came out of the earthquake one year ago in Haiti, it's how Lovely Ajuste's life will be saved.

Lovely, who will turn 16 in a week, is at Montefiore Children's Hospital — where tomorrow she will undergo surgery to repair a hole in her heart.

Dr. Mahalia Desruisseaux first discovered Lovely's hidden cardiac defect a year ago, when Desruisseaux returned to her native Haiti to help earthquake survivors. Lovely came to the doctor complaining that she had a cold, but it turned out to be something much worse.

"She came in with a cough and shortness of breath, but this was not an

"This is such a positive of the earthquake — the fact that she was diagnosed and will now be given the life-saving surgery."

VIOLA BADA, LOVELY'S MOTHER,
SPEAKING IN KREYOL THROUGH
A TRANSLATOR

ordinary cold. She had an enlarged heart that, to me, showed that she had a cardiac condition," said Desruisseaux, a professor of medicine at Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Lovely's weak heart meant she couldn't go three blocks without gasping for air. Walking up and down stairs made her ex-

hausted. She had to take naps every afternoon.

It took a year of cutting through red tape, but tomorrow, on the anniversary of the earthquake, Lovely will have an open-heart procedure that would be unthinkable in her homeland.

"Luckily, the defect is still reversible," said Desruisseaux. "I needed to get her here because I knew that even under the best conditions in Haiti, even before the earthquake, there was no way she could get this repaired."

"This is such a story of hope and hopefully good things to come."



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ROTARACT CLUB OF ELEUTHERA, BAHAMAS

FOUR WAY TEST ESSAY BY ASHLEY AKERBERY

...submitted by Jacqueline Gibson



If the landscape surrounding your house were surrounded by fire, growing closer to your home with each gust of the smoke-filled wind, would your neighbor run at it with a bucket of water?

I picture my siblings' homes in the United States. I think about their neighbors, those whom I know, there are many more that I don't, and I know the answer. They would stay at a safe distance, saddened and praying for rescue, but glad it was not their own home, as they waited for the firemen to come—as they waited for someone whose job it was to take care of it.

Here, it is all of our jobs.

After two and a half years, two hurricanes and, now, an out of control bush wildfire, I have seen the communities of Eleuthera take immediate action, over and over, to support one another. And, I think this is something special.

I do not mean to over-glorify the power of communities when there are real resources we need. I am sure every single person that I passed a bucket full of water to today would prefer a professional infrastructure ready with the resources to handle the bush fire that was threatening the line of homes along the Queen's Highway in Waterford.

Not one single person out there wanted his or her eleven-year-old son inhaling the endless clouds of pluming smoke. Not one of those community members wanted their friends and neighbors to be chasing the smoldering ground back with buckets of water wearing only sandals. We would all hope for the resources and means to fly in a professional wildland firefighting crew with the tools, knowledge, and skill to eliminate the threat.

And maybe one day there will be.

We have already improved local emergency response. The South Eleuthera Emergency Partners (SEEP) have made great strides in rallying funding and local emergency response support. They envision safer communities supported by emergency operation centers. And like many of the other community-based organizations on-island, including the uniting forces of the One Eleuthera Foundation and Rotary Clubs, they hope for community growth, economic development, and a better future for Eleuthera. We all hope for this.

As a member of our small, young Rotaract Club, I pledge "Service Above Self." And, I think that is what it means to run at a burning bushfire with a bucket of water handed to you by your neighbor.

There is something special about that pledge on our small, rural, family island. Like I said earlier: with limited resources, funding, and infrastructure, it is all of our job to serve one another. We are the first responders. We are the after-school programs. We are arts workshops. We are the communities, but we are also the community service.

As a member of Rotaract, we also apply the Four-Way Test. We pledge, in all matters, to make decisions based on four valuable questions:

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?



At our last Club meeting, in consideration of World Rotaract Week, Rotary President Jacquie Gibson asked us to consider the Four-Way test and what it means to our club.

In my twenties, every decision has felt four-way; with so many directions, opportunities, and possibilities in adulthood, it's overwhelming to know which is the way forward. And in The Bahamas, for people our age, the four ways almost always lead away from the family islands.

I recently asked our Club Founder, Kalin Griffin, what inspired her to return to Eleuthera. Like so many young Bahamians, she traveled abroad to pursue educational opportunities. And why did she return to Tarpum Bay, Eleuthera? She said her “ancestors called her back.” Kalin was called back to serve.

In 2011, her leadership brought together the Rotaract Club of Eleuthera, an alliance of young professionals who are united by the Four-Ways:

1. To us, the TRUTH is that we are small but dedicated.
2. We believe the future of Eleuthera needs us to work together to make it a good, FAIR, and opportune place to both grow up and set down roots.
3. Together we share GOODWILL and better FRIENDSHIPS, and we seek to expand that feeling of belonging and connection across all 110 miles of Eleuthera and beyond.
4. We know, as young professionals on Eleuthera, of the four ways, of the many ways, and choices we make each day, the way forward is to be united in service. We are neighbors with buckets of water in hand, stepping bravely forward, who know that it is all of our jobs to serve one another. We all BENEFIT through “service above self.”



Eleuthera

Island

Eleuthera, sometimes spelled Eleuthra, is an island in The Bahamas, lying 50 miles east of Nassau. It is long and thin—110 miles long and in places little more than 1 mile wide. [Wikipedia](#)

Population: 11,165 (2000)

Area: 518 km²

ROTARY CLUB OF PETION-VILLE, HAITI



ANNUAL HEALTH FAIR

On April 7, World Health Day, the Rotary Club of Pétiion-Ville held its Annual Health Fair. Collaborating were about 60 doctors plus labs, pharmaceutical companies, Red Cross, and universities.

This is an event that is held every year – and it benefits the community because of the international volunteers!

Patients received free access to examinations (pediatric and adult), tests (Pap smear, colonoscopy, endoscopy) lab works (CBC, HIV, sickle cell), ophthalmology, etc.

We expected 500 patients; 690 were actually received during the day.

Photos follow on the next pages.







The greater the size of the Rotary family, the more good we can do in this world.

...Paul Harris

CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP

Building a better future for our CAHS Students

On 4/13/13, *The Rotary Club of St. Thomas*, in partnership with The *Rotary Club of Union County, Georgia*, and the Rotary Foundation donated to the Charlotte Amalie High School over \$30,300 in supplies for their 180 Reading Program.

Read 180 is a computer based intervention program that offers student supplemental reading help. The program was introduced about 8 years ago to help students struggling with reading. The Rotary Club of St. Thomas officially adopted the High School in 1994, and over the years has donated money and supplies to their Reading Program and Auto Repair shop.



The Rotary Club of St. Thomas has also presented prior donations of \$30,000 worth of automotive tools and equipment to the Charlotte Amalie High School Vocational Education program.

At left – students and staff present a certificate of merit to the Rotary Club of St. Thomas.

The Club is known for its commitment to serving the Virgin Islands Community. The Rotarians volunteer their time, efforts and money to assist with special service projects that make being a Rotarian so worthwhile. The school does not have the funds for this project, and to the Rotarians, this is so important for the young students of this community.

In 1995, The Rotary Club of St. Thomas established a Career Center at CAHS and provided computers, printers, and an electronic Whiteboard. The Career center gives the students a place to search for information on colleges, careers and the military. The Rotary Club of St. Thomas is particularly grateful to our partnering clubs and the Rotary Foundation for their continued and generous support of the Charlotte Amalie High School.

ROTARY CLUB OF LIAMUIGA, ST. KITTS

Proves the island is overflowing with talent

Rotary Speaks

Basseterre, St. Kitts, 11 June 2013 – Talents sought. Talents found. Talents lauded.

The Rotary Club of Liamuiga (RCL) successfully concluded its 2013 Talent Search Competition in grand style when the finals were held at the Sir Cecil Jacobs Auditorium of the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank (ECCB) on Thursday June 6, 2013.

The event was graced with the presence of the Hon. Glenn Phillip, Minister of Youth Empowerment, Sports, et al and Ms. Clarice Cotton, Chief Education Officer (Ag.) who both applauded the efforts of RCL in engaging the nation's youth in empowering activities. Minister Phillip also lauded the participants for their exquisite performances and thanked their parents, guardians and teachers for guiding them along their journey.

The 2013 Talent Search Finals showcased primary and high school participants in the categories of dance, poetry, vocal music and instrumental music. Finalists were selected following several zonal semi-finals throughout the island in the weeks before the competition. RCL first hosted the competition in 2005.

Emerging victorious in the *Primary School Categories* were:

- Ryanne Liburd of Immaculate Conception Catholic School (Dance)
- Kariema Mitcham of Cayon Primary (Poetry)
- Shaiyan Douglas of Violet Petty Primary (Vocal Music).

In the *High School Categories*, the following students rose above their fellow competitors to win first prize:

- Azuredee Mills of Charles E. Mills Secondary (Dance)
- Ivorlyn Phipps of Cayon High (Instrumental Music)
- Vakiel Herbert of Charles E. Mills Secondary (Vocal Music)

The other results are as follows:

PRIMARY SCHOOL PARTICIPANTS

2nd Prize Dance - Petal Bradshaw, Dieppe Bay Primary
2nd Prize Poetry - Aziel Belle, Dieppe Bay Primary
2nd Prize Vocal Music - Chrislorn Baptiste, Beach Allen Primary

3rd Prize Dance - Alencia Williams, Cayon Primary
3rd Prize Poetry - Kianja Pole, Beach Allen Primary
3rd Prize Vocal Music - Lerencia Williams, Sandy Point Primary

HIGH SCHOOL PARTICIPANTS

2nd Prize Dance - Roberitine Webbe, Immaculate Conception Catholic
2nd Prize Instrumental Music - Quacent Edwards, Charles E. Mills Secondary
2nd Prize Vocal Music - Kwahne Wharton, Verchilds High

3rd Prize Dance - Zonelle Hutchinson, Cayon High
3rd Prize Vocal Music - Kewanna Browne, Cayon High

RCL expresses sincere gratitude to the sponsors whose significant contributions helped to bring the competition to such a satisfying climax—

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Below left – Cayman Islands. Below right – St. Kitts



ROTARY CLUBS OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS

The organization of Rotary International, ("RI"), which has had a presence in the Cayman Islands for nearly 50 years, holds itself and its members to the highest of standards. Each club (locally and internationally) is run in accordance with the highest standards of good governance; and prides itself on its integrity and commitment to the communities in which they serve.

As an organization RI raises funds, 100% of which are donated back in to local and international community projects. None of the funds raised are used for RI or individual Club's administration. To verify this, while also ensuring that all of our fundraising and community initiatives are conducted to the highest financial and accounting standards, RI accounts are audited annually. Rotary Sunrise also has its accounts reviewed annually by a leading international audit firm.

Community organisations which have benefitted from Rotary Sunrise include The Pines Retirement Home; Big Brothers Big Sisters; NCVO; The Crisis Centre; The Cayman Heart Fund's Annual Health Fair and the Francis Bodden Girls Home. These organisations are a small sample of the initiatives which Rotary Sunrise supports – and yet the impact on our community and the people of our Islands who benefit from support from these organisations is anything but small. For many families, the support they receive is life changing and for some it is even life-saving.

For nearly 50 years Rotary has been an integral part of the fabric of the Cayman Islands community - strengthening it and creating new opportunities for all who live and work here, and we thank the public for their continued support of our efforts. With your ongoing support, we will continue to work together, in partnership with the community, for a better Cayman.

A LITERACY PROJECT FOR HAITI

..by Robyn Corbett

'It would be good for you to attend the 7020 District conference..' The encouragement to travel to BVI for the 7020 District Conference in May came from Caribbean Partnership Chairman PDG Horace McCormack.

I'm a new Rotarian, based in Australia, with a community development organisation in Haiti. One of our current projects is a literacy campaign which we're implementing this summer – see previous CP newsletter article of March 2013.

PDG Horace had introduced me by email to members of the Caribbean Partnership; the opportunity to meet many of these experienced Rotarians at the conference was compelling.



District 7020 Conference, Tortola. My registration and travel arrangements were made at the last minute, but from the first email response from conference organisers I knew it would be a fabulous experience. During my four days in stunningly beautiful BVI I got to say giddy to new and experienced Rotarians, at conference and hospitality events, as well as travelling to and from venues. The entertainment was top-notch, fun and inclusive. I especially enjoyed the awards events, and learning about the enormous contributions different Clubs and individuals have made in Caribbean communities.

For me the highlight of the conference was the presentation by PRID Barry Rassin about Rotary's response to the Haiti earthquake. Having experienced first-hand some of the challenges presented by that tragedy, I was deeply moved by PRID Barry's account of the generous, coordinated, ongoing contribution Rotarians make in Haiti.

I'm writing this from Gonaives in Haiti, where I'm working with my team to implement our literacy project.

A few days ago I was doing some work in a tent city in Port au Prince, and met a little guy called Fefe, who has a medical condition for which his family have been unable to get help. I asked one of the Rotarians I'd met at the BVI conference whether she could point me in the right direction to get some help for Fefe. The response has been overwhelming – as I write this an assessment consultation is being arranged with an appropriate medical expert, with an undertaking for Rotary to assist in any way they can to help correct Fefe's condition.

I'm so grateful to the generous and proactive men and women and the network of Rotarians who really do live 'service above self'.

Here in Haiti I'm enjoying networking and building relationships with Rotarians I met at the BVI conference, by email, phone and in-person meetings. I'm looking forward to saying giddy to more Haitian Rotarians and exploring potential partnerships for our literacy project with Rotary Clubs in Haiti.



During the coming months I'll also be visiting North America to raise awareness for our literacy project. I would welcome opportunities to visit Rotary Clubs and showcase the first in our series of story-books in Kreyol and English, and illustrated by Haitian artist Jean-Denis Ganthier.

I'm so grateful to the generous and proactive men and women and the network of Rotarians who really do live 'service above self'.

If you'd like to arrange a visit with me and Jean-Denis I may be contacted by email robyn.corbett@gmail.com or mobile +509 48183309.

What do you know about DENGUE FEVER?

By Paul Amoury (Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020)

When I was first asked to write an article about Dengue fever, I must admit the only thing I know about it is that it exists. I knew people had it but I had no idea what it was and what it meant to have it. So I began my research by reading an article which was forwarded to me. It is called "Dengue Fever Racing Around the wWorld²" by the World health Organization, or better known as 'WHO'.



According to the article, not only has this disease reached epidemic proportions, but it has reached over 125 countries and affected thousands of people, and many have died because of it.

However, the most surprising thing I learned is that Dengue is not a new disease.

Dr. Scott Halstead has been studying Dengue for over 50 years. Dr. Halstead says, "We have more dengue in more countries, and in more places and involving more people, than any other time in history. It's reached a huge geographic expanse and now we're stuck with it."

In 1955, only 3 countries reported Dengue fever, and today over 125 countries have reported it.

According to Wikipedia, the incidence of dengue fever has increased dramatically since the 1960s, with around 50–100 million people infected yearly. However, early descriptions of the condition date from 1779, and its viral cause and the transmission were elucidated in the early 20th century.³

According to an article in the Bahamas Tribune, May 13, 2012, written by Larry Smith, an epidemic of Dengue occurred in 1927. In the article, Larry says that the outbreak, in the summer of 2011, could possibly be parallel to that time in 1927.

He goes on to say that, "Nassau has suffered regular dengue outbreaks in every decade since 1978. But the severity of last year's epidemic, combined with the pervasive culture of social media and talk radio, produced an unprecedented spike in public concern."

He also says, "In 2011, the number of dengue cases and deaths in Latin America and the Caribbean broke previous records, with outbreaks in Paraguay, Panama, Aruba, and Saint Lucia, as well as the Bahamas. Over a million cases were reported to PAHO throughout the region, including more than 700 deaths."

"Bahamian health officials confirmed some 7,000 dengue cases last year, representing about 20 per cent of those who actually contracted the disease (but had mild or no symptoms). At least one death was confirmed by autopsy, and several others were under investigation by the time the outbreak subsided in the fall."



The Nassau Guardian, on July 29, 2011, reported over 195 cases. They also said, "Hospital officials say in 1998 there were 365 cases reported, while in 2003, 155 cases were reported." This information was gleaned from an official press conference held by Dr. Hubert Minis, the Minister of Health, on July 28, 2011.

Above all this information are the actual effects it has on people. My sister-in-law (in the Bahamas) had it last summer and she describes it as the "worst I ever felt in my life."

She says it took her months to recover completely, and to this day she still "does not feel completely right." Her report to me was that it started off as something like flu, and she could not "shake the chills" until she found herself so weak she could barely make it to the doctor.

² thestar.com

³ wikipedia.com

She told me that her fever would come and go for days, and then she would feel better, only to find herself the next day unable to get out of bed. She says that the fatigue is the worst part, because at the same time she felt like all her bones were throbbing like they had been injured.

My friend Rebecca⁴ says:

In the Caribbean I was always warned about mosquitoes and the possibility of dengue.

A few years ago it had gone through our club and I still wasn't entirely sure about it. A week later - I remember this so clearly - I was at our Club lunch and I started to ache. As I was listening to all the Interact "Four Way Test" essay contest winners, I knew something was terribly wrong.



By the time I was home, I had a 104degree fever and was on the phone with my doctor, essentially delirious. The next day, I felt a titch better and picked up my best friend who was visiting from Canada. At 3:00 a.m. the fever was back, and I truly felt as if every bone in my body was breaking.

At the crack of dawn, she had me to my doctor's and to the lab to confirm the diagnosis.

I spent the next 10 days essentially unconscious. Thankfully, my friend was the daughter of two medical specialists and had emergency medical training. I'm so thankful she was here to look after me...and along the way she had the best vacation ever, even hosting a dinner party at my pool! 10 days and twenty pounds later, I was finally standing again...just.

I would, never ever wish this horrible disease on anyone! Moreover , I wish resources were directed to this as they are to malaria.

Roger and PDG Diana White both have suffered Dengue Fever.

Roger suffered aches and a temperature. Both came on very fast. He thought initially it was an immediate reaction to a new medication he was on. He went to the doctor the next day because he believed it was a reaction to medication.

The doctor took his temperature – 102F – and told Roger that he had Dengue Fever, not a reaction to medication. He was advised to go home and rest. The doctor took a blood sample, sent it to the lab, and the diagnosis was confirmed some days later.

The symptoms lasted 17 days, and Roger lost 10 pounds. The first week was the worst. He has never felt so wretched with the aches and headache, making it difficult to find a comfortable position in which to sleep. At its worst, Roger found himself sleeping 17 to 18 hours a day!

The recovery was frustrating because of the weakness. Even walking a short distance was tiring, and Roger found he had to sit down a lot even when recovering. Both Diana and Roger got Dengue at the same time, but Diana's was lighter and she recovered much faster as well. Roger's bout was more severe because it was the first time for him. Diana had suffered Dengue once before.

For Diana, her first bout with Dengue was roughly the same as Roger's account, except that she did not go to the doctor for a blood test.

The second time, however, she did to go the doctor, but the entire bout lasted about four days, and then she was fine again. During the four days, she suffered extreme headache, lethargy, body aches and some fever – but nothing as serious or painful as the first time.



Diana understands from the doctor that there are three different strains and that (a) you cannot get the same strain twice, and (b) you build up some immunity, so the first time is always the worst.

Fortunately, neither had the hemorrhagic strain, which is extremely dangerous.

In conclusion, there are various types of Dengue Fever, and I hope this enlightens you a bit about the disease, and helps us all to stay informed so we can try to avoid it!

⁴ Rebecca Low

ROTARY WISDOM

Ron D. Burton

*(university foundation). Director, Rotary International, 1998-2000.
Member of the Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma, U.S.A.*

...and now the Rotary International President for 2013-14

Rotary is based on principles that offer each of its members a clear and workable path to good citizenship and fulfilling lives as human beings. What better guide could I have as I attempt to make a difference in today's world than Rotary's Four Avenues of Service?

Club Service reinforces my faith that as Rotarians, we can work effectively in close proximity toward a common goal.

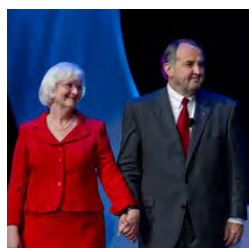
Vocational Service reinforces my faith in the ability of my professional colleagues to strive for and exemplify honesty and integrity in the workplace.

Community Service reinforces my faith in my friends and neighbors to improve the quality of life where we live, work, play, and raise our families.

International Service reinforces my faith in our collective strength in addressing and solving the problems of our fellows on a global scale.

Rotary gives me a way to share my blessings and good fortune with others throughout the world. By encouraging its members to make service to others central to every aspect of their lives, Rotary transcends all boundaries—national, cultural, racial, and economic—and expands my community from the immediate vicinity to every corner of the globe.

Through the application of The 4-Way Test, Rotarians set a personal standard that brings out the very best in each of us. Adherence to these principles leads to more meaningful lives, an optimistic outlook, and a greater appreciation of the endless possibilities inherent in the human spirit. In association with like-minded individuals throughout the world, we as Rotarians dedicate ourselves to the ideal of Service Above Self, every day in every way.



APPENDIX A

Governors of Zones 33/34 – 2012-14

Mailing list for Caribbean Partnership Newsletter at June, 2013

This list will be updated as I receive more information. I print it here for your information.

Please help me keep this list up to date. Email ladykitt@gmail.com

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Rotary's History of Service

The Object of Rotary and the Avenues of Service capture the spirit of service that has long defined Rotary. Today, Rotary clubs carry on the tradition of service by meeting the needs of their members and community and by staying relevant, flexible, and innovative for their members and community — each club in its own way. The tradition of service can take many forms. How will your club continue this tradition? Will your club take advantage of its autonomy to reach its fullest potential?

APPENDIX B

INTERESTING INFORMATION – ZONES 33 AND 34

Totals for Zone 33

Total number of districts: 15
Total number of clubs: 784
Total number of Rotarians: 38572
Number of two-year terms out of 16 terms: 8

Totals for Zone 34

Total number of districts: 14
Total number of clubs: 774
Total number of Rotarians: 37029
Number of two-year terms out of 16 terms: 8

Interesting websites for Zones 33 and 34

- <http://www.rizones33-34.org/>
- <http://membership33-34.blogspot.com/>
- <http://rotaryresources.blogspot.com/> (Zone 33 Rotary Coordinator's Blog - Rotary Resources)
- <http://zone34retentioncentral.blogspot.com/> (Zone 34 Rotary Coordinator's Blog – Retention Central)

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 for service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of 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;

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

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