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A follow-up on the Caribbean Partnership Celebration Thanks to all who attended and made this possible!

Reston, Virginia, July 21-23, 2011

...a note from the CP Chair, jv



And now on to 2012!

Caribbean Partnership Celebration 2012

in the Heart of the Caribbean - Trinidad

*Outgoing CP Chair
jv Vlass*

We would like to invite you to join us July 27-28, 2012 in Trinidad, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Port of Spain, for our 2012 Celebration.

For the first time, our Caribbean Partnership Celebration will be held in Exotic Trinidad & Tobago, *The Land of Carnival*.

The meaning of home hospitality and how to Enjoy began here. This shall be a Caribbean Partnership Celebration as it should be - in the Islands - The Windward Islands are a lovely part of the West Indies.

District 7030's 2011 DG Lara Quentrall-Thomas and DG 2012 Stephen Ramroop thank you for hosting our CPC 2012.

Home Hospitality on the Island of Trinidad is most enchanting with true cultural diversity that is wonderful to experience. I hope you will join us for the celebration.

This year's Conference Chairman, Ian Gillette, and his organizing committee are putting together an exciting agenda with dynamic speakers. This is a great opportunity to learn what our Caribbean Partnership Celebration is all about first-hand.

Our Caribbean Partnership continues to fulfill the specific purpose for which our Corporation was organized:

- to provide opportunities for Rotarians throughout our Zones 33 and 34 to become better educated as to our respective cultural similarities and differences
- to provide opportunities to develop relationships, share knowledge, ideas and interests that would result in partnered clubs and then lead to projects that fill a specific need in the area.

New Caribbean Partnership (CP) Chair - PDG Horace McCormack



D-7610, PDG Horace McCormack, who served as the Caribbean Partnership Celebration Chair, has been elected to be our next Caribbean Partnership Chairman. Congratulations again to Horace. I'm confident that he will lead the Caribbean Partnership to new levels and continue to have the full support of our Zones.

Incoming CP Chair, Horace McCormack

New Partnering Co-ordinator, PDG Gene Windham

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The essential part of our Caribbean Partnership is our Partnered Clubs. Serving as our Partnering Coordinator has been a highlight for me, and I'm delighted that D-6910's PDG Gene Windham has agreed to be our next Partnering Coordinator. I'm confident Gene's fresh new ideas will reinvigorate the Partnering process and encourage more clubs to get involved in our Caribbean Partnership Program.

Compassion and empathy are key words that describe our Caribbean Partnership. Quite simply - we care.

We've accomplished so much since our beginning, from helping Haiti before and after the earthquakes of 2010, to the Caribbean Clubs that have helped communities on the US Mainland, showing that Club Partnering is indeed a two-way street.

Please join us on July 27-28 in beautiful Trinidad for our Caribbean Partnership Celebration. Make your reservations now at the website - www.cpc2012.com

Warmest Rotary Regards,

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REDI Conference 2012



Rotarian Emergency Disaster Initiative

REDI Conference VI
Friday & Saturday, March 16-17, 2012 – Berkeley,
California



Register today at - www.rediconference.org

Sponsored by REDI and Rotary District 5160
Convened by RI Directors Ken Boyd, Ken Schuppert,
John Smarge and RIVP Noel Bajat

You won't want to miss the REDI opening session, featuring Past Rotary International President
Cliff Dochterman and hear from RI Director Ken Boyd
Cliff will also be available to sign his book "As I Was Saying."

REDI is the Rotarian Emergency Disaster Initiative. Launched in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina by the three Rotary Directors of the paired zones along the gulf coast, REDI has become a source of disaster awareness for Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, Zones, and Districts.

Don Mebus, Barry Rassin and Bob Stuart convened the North American-Rotary Emergency Disaster Initiative "REDI" to discuss what had been learned and to help the zones be prepared for any future disaster.

Since that time, REDI's scope has broadened to include the Caribbean and South America. This new scope triggered a name change in 2010 to Rotarian Emergency Disaster Initiative.

REDI is not a part of Rotary International; rather it is an initiative by Rotarians for Rotarians.

REDI's Mission is to train Rotarians to be prepared when disaster strikes. REDI does not provide disaster response, but is dedicated to training and preparation.

REDI VI Conference Mission is to develop awareness of, and encourage preparedness for, the multiple hazards that result in disasters.

REDI VI Conference Date & Location

- Friday, March 16, 2012
- Saturday, March 17, 2012
- **DoubleTree by Hilton, Berkeley Marina**
- 200 Marina Blvd., Berkeley, CA 94710

Conference Conveners

- RI Director Noel Bajat, Zones 21 -27
- RI Director Ken Boyd, Zones 25- 26
- RI Director Ken Schuppert Zones 30 - 31
- RI Director John Smarge Zones 33 & 34

Conference Hosts

- District 5160 - District Governor Dave Dacus
- District Governor Elect Laura Day
- Rotary Club of Berkeley, California, President Reginald "Reg" Garcia

Conference Chair

- District 5160 - PDG Karl Diekman

For more information, see <http://rediconference.org>

For Questions about REDI, contact



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REDI VI Conference is open to all Rotarians.

Club and District Disaster Preparedness Chairs, Disaster Preparedness professionals, Rotarians interested in being prepared when the unexpected occurs.

Make certain your District and Clubs have a representative at the conference by registering at:
www.rediconference.org

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Coming Events

REDI VI

Rotarian Emergency Disaster Initiative
16-17 March, 2012 Conference
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at the Beautiful Marina in
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John Smarge, Ken Boyd and RIVP Noel
Bajat

Caribbean Partnership Celebration, 2012
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Hyatt Regency
July 27-28, 2012

END POLIO NOW

John Richardson, Zone 34 Assistant Rotary Co-ordinator (2011-13) sends this note:
Please see the Rotary Video posted on you tube of this year's "End Polio Now" illumination
on the Casa Alcaldia and the San Jose Church.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SZqMioNLHug&feature=youtu.be>

What is the Georgia Rotary Student Program?



Since 1946, Rotarians in Georgia, USA, have promoted world peace through understanding by offering scholarships to international students for one year of study in Georgia colleges and universities. Georgia Rotary Clubs sponsor students recommended by a Rotary Club in their home country.

The students become adopted members of a Georgia "host family," but live on-campus at the school they attend.

This is a scholarship program, not an exchange!

Each year, about 80 students from all over the world make friends in the United States and other nations and learn about differing cultures and life styles. Georgia Rotarians believe "Peace is Possible" and through GRSP promote international goodwill through the bonds of friendship and understanding.

Our Scholarship Covers

The scholarship covers one scholastic year, from August to May, and is for undergraduate study in colleges and universities located in the State of Georgia.

Our Scholarship Pays

1. Tuition
2. Book allowance
3. Meals
4. College-provided room



Applicant must provide

1. Transportation from country to USA and return
2. Medical insurance
3. \$3,000 spending money
4. Any income taxes imposed by the government on the scholarship money

Eligibility Requirements

1. Must be 18 years but not 25 years of age by August 1 the year studies begin.
2. Have not studied in the USA.
3. Must be single and not cohabitate in any way for the duration of the scholarship .
4. Must be an undergraduate student

Tax Information

Please be aware that scholarship recipients may be required to pay taxes on their scholarships to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service. Please visit the [IRS website](#).

Successful CP Projects

Stories of interest at March, 2012

Haiti continues to impress

**DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:
LATRINE PROJECT IN THE ZONE OF TORBECK
FOR CHOLERA AND DISEASE PREVENTION**

...submitted by Robert Leger

Our Rotary Club des Cayes, is in search of Funds for the construction of 30 latrines (two seats each) in the first and second Commune of Torbeck in the Department of South of Haiti.

This community is located a few miles from Les Cayes where one of our Members Rosemond Menelas, secretary of the club, works for the organization MAISON DE NAISSANCE. There has been the need for latrines in this area after the **last Cholera** crisis which affected and killed several people.

The project consists of building 30 latrines by groups of 9, 7, 5, 4, 3 depending on the number of families living close to each other. These latrines will serve two families each and will have a lavabo for hand washing after its use.

The total cost of the project is estimated to **\$52,450.50** since with the help of the community the cost has been reduced. The cost of one latrine is calculated to be **\$1,748.35**.

We hope to find funds for the entire project but we will start with the number of latrines we can raise money for.

Our Rotary Club plans to raise \$1,748.35 for one latrine and is looking for funds for 29 more.

Population to benefit	Around 500 people
Total cost of project with community participation	\$52,450.50

Funds already received	
Rotary Foundation DAF #119	\$ 9,000.00
Clerge Foundation	1,748.35
Contribution of Rotary Club Des Cayes promised (raising funds concert was scheduled December 18, 2011)	1,748.35
Funds needed	\$48,953.80

ENGINEER RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROJECT: Jean Moise Blaise

CLUB CHAIRMAN OF THE PROJECT: Rosemond Menelas

Our committee will work together with the community organization, CONSOLIDATION OF COMMUNAL FARMERS IN SECTION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS IN TORBECK, to educate the people about hygiene, the use and care of the latrines and the importance of having water to wash their hands. The goal of the project is to improve the living conditions of people in this commune and decrease disease among the people living in this area, prevent cholera and other diseases.

Although the need is greater than 30 latrines for the population, it will be a beginning and hopefully other groups will be interested in helping build more in the future.

The Rotary Club of Les Cayes, will be responsible for the supervision and management of the funds. Rosemond Menelas, Chairman of the project will provide pictures, progressive reports as well as the final report of construction of the project when finished to the donors. The Rotary Logo and the name of other donors will be present in each group of latrines when the construction is completed.

The construction of three out of nine latrines in Larnage has begun and the community is eager to continue to help and give their contribution by providing water, transporting materials and some labor. This project brings hope to the population in Larnage and other areas in Torbeck that they will finally have latrines to improve their living conditions.

Left – Four beneficiaries in front of Latrine #2.



Below – Part of the public attending the concert to raise funds.





At right – PP Yves Banatte and PE Rosa Leger with 2 people of Larnage in front of Latrine #1.



*At left – President Renand at the beginning of the concert, thanking the public
At right – President Renand testing lavabo and PP Yves Banatte inspecting latrine No. 1*



Rotarian Robert Leger performing and Rotarian singers.

*How happy would you be if you finally had a latrine that you could use?
We take so much for granted!*

St. John, USVI, seeking stateside partners

Our project, for which we are seeking international (Stateside) partners, is to procure a medical oxygen generating system for the island of St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands.¹

The only current source of medical oxygen is on the neighboring island of St. Thomas.

All emergency services agencies on St. John work cooperatively to protect and serve our local and transient population. There are about 5,000 permanent residents and as many as 10,000 transients during the winter season. The St. John Fire Service, St. John EMS, and the Myra Keating Smith Community Health Center operate on a 24/7 basis, and are staffed by paid Virgin Islands government employees.

Because of budget constraints, staffing is kept at a minimum.



As over half of St. John is National Park, Park Rangers provide service during the daylight hours. St. John Rescue provides rescue services 24/7 on an all-volunteer basis.

All emergency services agencies need to replenish oxygen supplies as quickly as possible since St. John is an island with no mutual aid assistance available in case of natural or man-made disaster. If we run out of oxygen, there is no readily available source of medical oxygen to replenish our supply. Our source of medical oxygen is located on St. Thomas. The privately owned business is open from 9:00 to 5:00 on weekdays only. If we require oxygen refills, we must wait until the supplier is open for business.

The procedure for refilling oxygen bottles takes at least four hours, and can take up to 24 hours or more if the vendor has several tanks to fill, or if he has run out of oxygen. It is usually necessary for us to leave the tanks at the filling facility and then return within a day or so to pick them up. This is both costly and time-consuming for our limited financial resources and personnel.

During 2010, St. John EMS responded to over 450 calls, including 175 transports of patients to hospital on St. Thomas. Sixty percent of the patients treated by EMS require oxygen therapy for at least 30 minutes, and 25 percent of patients treated required oxygen therapy for over 50 minutes.

On average, St. John EMS fills 17 “M” tanks and 75 “E” tanks each year. During 2010, the National Park Service responded to over 100 medical calls within the National Park boundaries. On average, the National Park fills 18 “E” tanks annually. The Myra Keating Smith Community Health Center maintains 18 H-2 oxygen tanks for use at the center and in their emergency room. They fill 120 tanks per year at \$40 per tank plus a \$120 delivery fee.

So, in addition to the lack of availability in a disaster, the cost of oxygen from St. Thomas, in dollars and man-hours, is significant. St. John Rescue calculates the total average cost for St. John’s emergency

¹ St. John is located about 4 miles east of Saint Thomas, the location of the territory's capital, Charlotte Amalie, and 4 miles south and west of Tortola, part of the British Virgin Islands. It is 50.8 km² (19.61 sq mi) in area and has a population of 4,170 (2010 census).^[1] Because there are no airports on St. John, the only access to the island is by boat. The ferry service runs hourly from St. Thomas and daily from Tortola; regular ferries also operate from Virgin Gorda, Jost Van Dyke and Anegada. Approximately 60% of the island is protected as Virgin Islands National Park. (Wikipedia)

services agencies to fill oxygen tanks is \$10,000. On average, the annual expenditure for each agency is the following table:

Agency	Cost
EMS	\$2000
National Park	500
St. John Fire Service	500
St. John Rescue	100
MKS Health Center	6000

These costs do not include the hourly rate for personnel to make the round trip to the oxygen distributor on St. Thomas, which would not be possible in the event of a hurricane since ferry service is suspended in the event of a storm.

The proposed system will provide medical oxygen to meet St. John's needs. This system produces medical grade oxygen in accordance with the USP specifications, and will reduce oxygen supply costs by at least 80 per cent.

Less than one kilowatt-hour of energy is required to fill one "M" size oxygen cylinder. All transportation, handling, and labor costs involved in transporting tanks to St. Thomas (including a \$50 round trip fee for the barge) will be eliminated. This generator can fill up to 20 "D" cylinders per day, 30 "E" cylinders per day, and 9 "M" cylinders per day.

- St. John Rescue maintains 30 "D" tanks and 3 "M" tanks.
- St. John Fire maintains 6 "D" tanks.
- National Park Service maintains 18 "E" tanks
- St. John EMS maintains 14 "E" tanks and 6 "M" tanks.

By making oxygen and having the capacity to fill our own tanks on site we can eliminate the uncertainty and logistics of travelling to St. Thomas for oxygen replenishment. With this system in place, emergency responders are also assured that, in the event of a disaster, our oxygen supply will not be in jeopardy.

The system itself can also be transported for use at a disaster site. It can be moved by truck and fits through standard 36-inch wide doorways. Since St. John is located in a hurricane and earthquake area, we are susceptible to frequent natural disasters that will not only isolate us from St. Thomas, but will also put a strain on our capacity to provide necessary life-saving oxygen to patients during a natural or man-made disaster.

This oxygen-generating device will be maintained by qualified personnel from St. John Rescue, National Park Service, St. John EMS, St. John Fire, and the Myra Keating Smith Health Center personnel. It will be housed by the MKS Health Center.

The most recent quote for the system delivered and installed is \$65,800 and St. John Rescue has raised over \$14,000 toward its purchase. The Rotary Club of St. John will serve as a host club for matching grants. We seek at least three stateside clubs who could provide approximately \$2000 each to the project.

With matching grants from their districts, St. John's District 7020, and the Rotary Foundation, we can finance this vital piece of equipment. Partner clubs will be acknowledged by a plaque at the system, publicity throughout the districts involved, and the host club will submit an article for The Rotarian. Partner clubs would be welcome at the official ribbon cutting which would be held during our lovely winter season when the average daily high is 85° F. and the ocean is clear and warm.

Interested clubs should contact PP John Fuller, jfuller@rotarystjohn.org, for more information.

FOR YOUR INTEREST AND EDUCATION



(775-EN) — Youth protection guidance that can be modified to comply with local laws and situations to create and maintain the safest possible environment for all participants.

Statement of Conduct for Working with Youth

Rotary International is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for all participants in Rotary activities. It is the duty of all Rotarians, Rotarians' spouses, partners, and other volunteers to safeguard to the best of their ability the welfare of and to prevent the physical, sexual, or emotional abuse of children and young people with whom they come into contact.

Adopted by the RI Board of Directors, November 2002

THE ROTARY CALENDAR - first half of year

<i>Month</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
July	New Rotary Officers begin their year of service
August	Membership and Extension Month
September	New Generations Month
October	Vocational Service Month
November	Rotary Foundation Month
December	Family of Rotary Month

**St Martin School
Assisted by Rotary Clubs, Methodist Church and
Regent Cruise Line**



The *AHEAD Center of Excellence in Phillipsburg, St Maarten*, a Caribbean private school for children with learning challenges (autism) and other issues that do not allow them to attend regular public education classes, is in need of school supplies to continue their valuable work.



Dade City Rotary Club, partnering with Rotary International's District 7020 in the Caribbean, the East Side 8 (Pasco County, Florida) Rotary Clubs, First United Methodist Church of Zephyrhills, and Regent Seven Seas Cruise Lines gathered school supplies to be shipped to Regent's headquarters for loading aboard the Seven Seas Navigator in January.

At left – President Rebecca Low, John Wheeler (Florida), and Henna Budhrani.

Dade City Rotarian John Wheeler coordinated the collections and delivered the donated supplies to the school with assistance from Regent and local Phillipsburg Rotarian Henna Budhrani during the Navigator's Western Caribbean cruise port call.



Donations of school supplies for “Project AHEAD School” were received at the office of the First United Methodist Church of Zephyrhills, 38635 5th Avenue. The list included such items as letter-size (8.5x11) white paper, Wipe out/Whiteout, manila folders (letter size), black, blue, and red pens, pencils, coloring pencils, white Board markers, index cards, construction paper of different sizes, note books, rulers, colored magnets of different sizes, scissors (large & art size), staplers & staples, and elastic bands.

Above – The donation at the Ahead School organized by John Wheeler and Jamie Logan, Regent Seven Seas Cruise director. For further information, call John Wheeler at 813-788-7408.

Literacy

By Dr. Norman H. Proctor
RIBI President-2000/2001

Have you heard of Joseph Fair
Living in poverty and despair?
His house is made of iron and sacks
Which sadly food and water lacks
Father spends his day just hoeing
With very little seed for sewing
But they have no means to put that right
For they never learned to read or write.

Another Joseph name of Sunny
Lives in a land of milk and honey.
His parents are just proper mugs
Who spend their time with worthless drugs
They cannot ever put that right
For they never learned to read or write.

Josephine is a different Lass
A girl alone with lots of cash
But actually she hates each day
Selling her body to earn that pay
She too will never get that right
For she never learned to read or write.

My Rotary friends you know the score
With a little push we can do much more
Books and learning words are great
So tell your club to make a date
To give. Our Foundation fund big schemes to show.
There is a way to let kids know
That school and books and words are fun
So please, just please—TELL everyone.

March is Rotary Literacy Month



A bright pink Jeep Wrangler staffed with four midwives, races along uneven, dusty roads to reach more than 50 pregnant women in Darlegrand, a rural town two hours north of Hinche, Haiti. The Jeep belongs to Midwives for Haiti, a nonprofit organization working to ensure that women in remote parts of the country have access to prenatal care and skilled birth attendants. Without the Jeep, many of the women would not receive proper medical attention.

The Rotary Club of Western Henrico County with support from the Rotary Club of Bon Air, Rotary Club of Henrico North, Hermitage High School Interact club, Bon Secours Health Systems, and local individual donors, contributed a total of \$70,000 to purchase the Jeep, customized for rugged terrain. More than \$20,000 of that amount came from the Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund, a donor advised fund set up by The Rotary Foundation.

Rotarians around the world are working to reduce maternal mortality rates and improve access to essential medical services for mothers and their children.

All made possible through your contributions to the **Annual Programs Fund**.

Doing good in Haiti

Make your annual gift today.



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Note: PDG Bill Pollard, District 7600, likes to make EREY ads for grants involving his clubs. He does an outstanding job! Congratulations, Bill, for sharing!

EVERY
ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR



A \$24,000 grant from the Haiti Earthquake Relief Donor Advised Fund is being used to provide approximately 450 water filters to be placed primarily in homes in a country in dire need of potable water. The South Hill Rotary club in District 7600 has partnered with Haiti Outreach Ministries (HOM) and with local Rotarians in Haiti for the implementation of the grant.

The project will also provide jobs to Haitians who will construct and install these systems. The systems have approximately a ten year life span which allows the project to continue into the future. An average home consists of 8 people and HOM anticipates no less than 3 families to have access to each filter. This means that the project will supply clean potable water to approximately 11,500 people.

The grant was also supported by the Rotary Clubs of South Hill, Henrico East, Powhatan, Lawrenceville, Lake Country, and South Boston in District 7600 and two North Carolina Rotary clubs: Belhaven-Pantego RC in District 7720 and Valdese RC in District 7670.

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My Journey from Guyana to the United States as an Ambassadorial Scholar

By Colette Hytmiah

...submitted by PDG Bill Pollard, D-6900

Like many nationals from developing countries, I had always hoped to visit the United States of America some day. Constant exposure to Western culture through television programs made me want to experience all that I saw on television including shopping in large malls, riding the subway, and benefiting from the tertiary education offered. This dream was fulfilled in 2010 when I was selected as District 7030's Ambassadorial Scholar to District 7600. *(Pictured to the right is Colette with Past RI General Secretary Ed Futa at the District Conference held in Richmond, VA in October)*



My experience in the United States thus far has been very rewarding. Every day there is something new to learn. I have had to make adjustments in my lifestyle based on my new environment. My home environment was very busy where people were always seen on the streets, either commuting to and from work, children enjoying their recreational time after school, or neighbors having conversations with each other across their fences. This is not the case in Norfolk Virginia. I live in a very quiet community where there isn't much activity on the streets outside of students parking their vehicles to attend the University. I am now accustomed to a new way of getting transportation. No longer can I walk to the corner and stop a passing bus or car; I now have to time my departure from home to ensure that I am at the bus stop on time. If not, I have to wait half of an hour for the next bus to arrive.

Overall, living in Norfolk and being a part of Rotary District 7600 has been an amazing experience. I have visited several Rotary clubs and made presentations on Guyana's culture and the work of Rotary and Rotaract in Guyana. I have attended the District's annual Rotary conference and Interact-Rotaract Conference. I have also had the pleasure of socializing with several Rotarians. I have dined with them and enjoyed sports games with them. I have had the pleasure of going to my first American football and baseball games, which proved to be very enjoyable experiences. This scholarship experience has also allowed me to reconnect with relatives and friends who would have migrated from Guyana to the United States years ago.

Another great reward has been the knowledge gained at Norfolk State University where I am pursuing a Master's Degree in Media and Communication: Public Relations. I have not only benefitted from the academics, but also from socializing with people from various walks of life. Norfolk State is a melting pot of cultures, with students coming from different states, and socio-economic backgrounds. I have also gained tremendously from my mass communications department's annual field trip to New York. This trip afforded students the opportunity to visit several news entities and meet with professionals who offered sound advice for our different career aspirations. Had I not come to Norfolk State I would not have been given the opportunity to stand in the control room and view a live airing of Brian Williams on the NBC nightly news program.

My experience as an Ambassadorial Scholar to District 7600 has been an exciting journey thus far. I have met new friends, gained new family members, and have learned to appreciate a culture that is so different from my own. As I prepare to start a new semester, I look forward to the experiences that the New Year will offer.

Colette is from Georgetown, Guyana and is attending Norfolk State University on an Ambassadorial Scholarship donated from District 7600 to District 7030 (Southern Caribbean). Colette can be reached at colettehytmiah@yahoo.com. As her schedule permits, she is available to speak to Rotary clubs, particularly clubs in the Hampton Roads area. Clubs may need to provide transportation to the meeting. She is a member of the Rotaract Club of Georgetown Central.

Partners in Literacy Haiti

We thank our Caribbean Partners
for your help in launching
our District 7750
Literacy Project in Haiti
in the last half year.

Partners in Literacy Haiti

In brief. We have held two work trips in 2011 and three are planned for 2012.

Guided by our Haitian partners, we have provided French and Kreyol books and learning supplies to a library, schools, and homes. Using best practices, we also have begun training 21 teachers in building reading skills and serving parents with classroom bins of 26 books for preschools, which are in the highest poverty in Haiti.

The Rotary Club of Hinche will be a partner with us.

We ask you to join us. We are trying to serve 21 rural schools. As a member of the Caribbean Partnership, you care about the future of these children.

- Please come with us on work trips and help us help these children learn.
- Contact me for work visit dates and an item list with costs.
- Please consider making a 2012 donation for an air conditioner and simple Kreyol books for family reading.

Visit www.haitiliteracy.org or send a check to:

*Pleasantburg Rotary Club Foundation
Attn: Dr. M. H. Varn / Partners in Literacy Haiti
27 Stillwood Drive
Greenville, SC 29607*

Thank you for your Rotary friendship!

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CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP CELEBRATION 2012



27th - 28th July 2012
Hyatt Regency, Port of Spain, Trinidad

Conference all day Friday.
Cocktails, Caribbean Live Entertainment
and Cuisine in the evening.
Home Hospitality till whenever.

Conference on Saturday till noon,
service project or local trips till 5.00pm.

Close Conference with Live Entertainment
and Grand Banquet Saturday night

Conference fee \$180.00 USD

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TWO QUESTIONS RE TRF

The new Grants Model for The Rotary Foundation – Future Vision, July 2013

Are most of the grants in both categories "matching" grants? Can you do a matching grant with the DDF?

The two grant types are [district grants](#) and [global grants](#).

- A district grant is a block grant awarded to a district annually. The district administers the activities carried out with these funds.
- A global grant is applied for by a host and international sponsor for an activity relating to an area of focus with a sustainability component. Global grant funding includes cash contributions, DDF contributions, and an award (or “match”) from the World Fund at TRF.

The minimum of \$15,000 input from a club for a global grant - Is that right?

The minimum **award amount** from the World Fund for a global grant, regardless of activity type, is US\$15,000, which results in a minimum total financing of \$30,000.

The World Fund award is based on a 100 percent match of DDF (\$1.00:\$1.00) or a 50 percent match of cash contributions (\$0.50:\$1.00).

Examples of global grant financing:

DDF contribution: \$15,000

TRF World Fund match: \$15,000

Total: \$30,000

Or

Cash contribution: \$30,000

TRF World Fund match: \$15,000

Total: \$45,000

Or

DDF contribution: \$10,000

Cash contribution: \$10,000

TRF World Fund match: \$15,000 (\$10,000 + \$5,000)

Total: \$35,000

Please feel free to contact futurevision@rotary.org with any additional questions about the new grant model.

Best regards,

Mary Howard
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THE 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 for service;

SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying by each Rotarian of their occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD: The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to their personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional individuals united in the ideal of service. Rotary is the oldest movement of its kind in the world, and the most extensive in its work. This fact adds a certain dignity to Rotary which other similar organizations can never attain. Rotary means something big in the world. And it should mean something big in the life of the individual who belongs to it.

Please do ask DG Carl Treleven (D-6950) if he knows the Object of Rotary...



Carl W. Treleven

Rotary Club of St. Petersburg

Evanston, IL

rotary.org/rotarycoordinators

Rotary coordinators (RCs) provide expertise and support to encourage membership growth and develop more vibrant and effective Rotary clubs. The network of 41 RCs worldwide help implement long-term, innovative planning at the club and district levels in conjunction with the RI Strategic Plan. Rotary coordinators also encourage effective volunteer service activities.

The RCs serve as trainers, consultants, and advisers. They work closely with the RI Director, Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinators, Rotary Public Image Coordinators, district governors, and other leaders.

RLI Discussion Leaders' Recertification Miami, February 24, 2012

Some cool photos –

We were told to consider a jacket to be comfortable. Christine Moreno saved the day for a few of us – with socks. These socks were put to good use not only on Friday, but also on Saturday and Sunday at the District 7020 Leadership Training that followed the RLI meeting. Well done, Christine – and THANK YOU!



Above – PDG Rupert Ross (D7020) at left - Brent Williams (Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator - Z34), Don Chandler, and PDG Marcy Ullum.

Below - PDG Gary Israel at left – Delma Maduro at right with other attendees.





Above left – PDG Diana White and Fabien (Bobby) Young. A happy group at right.



Apologies that I cannot name all of the individuals in the photos. Photo above left includes PRID Barry Rassin and at right Christine Moreno and PDG Louis Venuti.

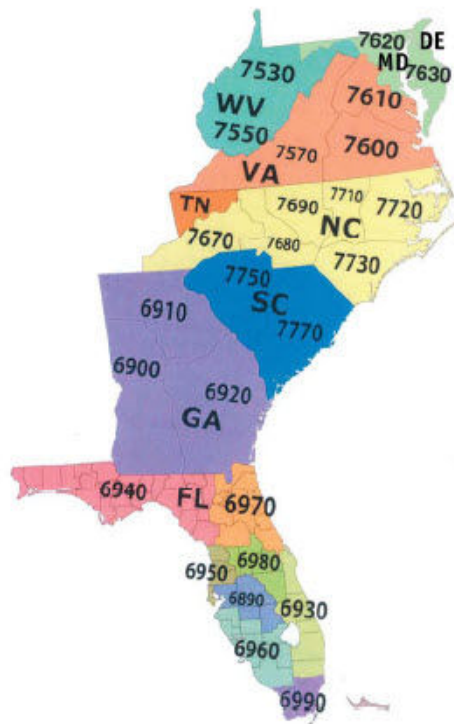
Below, PDG Gary Israel – RLI Sunshine Division Chair (2010-2012)



Thanks for an excellent day!

APPENDIX – A

Rotary Districts in Florida and along the East coast -



Zone 33

- ▶ USA: D. C., Delaware, Maryland, North & South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia

Zone 34

- ▶ Caribbean: Anguilla, Antigua & Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, British Virgin Isl., Cayman Isl., Dominica, Fr. West Indies, Fr. Guiana, Grenada, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Netherland Antilles, St. Kitts-Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent & the Grenadines, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks & Caicos, Virgin Isl.; Guyana, Puerto Rico, Suriname, USA: Florida, Georgia

APPENDIX B

Governors of Zones 33/34 - 2010-11

Mailing list for Caribbean Partnership Newsletter at March, 2012

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

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APPENDIX C

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)

From Wikipedia –

City of Port of Spain



Downtown Port of Spain near the Hyatt Hotel

Port of Spain, also written as **Port-of-Spain**, is the capital of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and the country's third-largest municipality, after San Fernando and Chaguanas. The city has a municipal population of 49,031 (2000 census), a metropolitan population of 128,026 (1990 unofficial estimate) and a transient daily population of 250,000.

It is located on the Gulf of Paria, on the northwest coast of the island of Trinidad and is part of a larger conurbation stretching from Chaguaramas in the west to Arima in the east with an estimated population of 600,000.

Port of Spain is Trinidad and Tobago's most developed city.

The city serves primarily as a retail and administrative centre and it has been the capital of the island since 1757. It is also an important financial services centre for the Caribbean and is home to two of the largest banks in the region.

The city is also home to the largest container port on the island and is one of several shipping hubs of the Caribbean, exporting both agricultural products and manufactured goods. Bauxite from the Guianas and iron ore from Venezuela are trans-shipped via facilities at Chaguaramas, about five miles (8 km) west of the city. The pre-lenten Carnival is the city's main annual cultural festival and tourist attraction.

Today, Port of Spain is emerging as a leading city in the Caribbean region. Trinidad hosted the Fifth Summit of the Americas in 2009 whose guests included US President Barack Obama and US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.

Port of Spain also hosted the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in 2009 and hosted a Commonwealth Business Forum in 2011.

It will host the 2012 CP Celebration in July - the 27th and 28th.

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