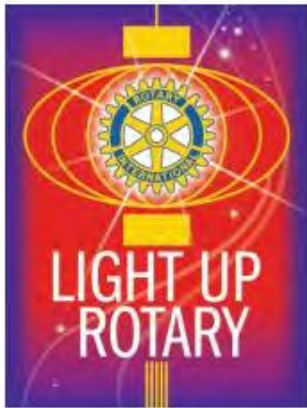


Rotary District 7020 Newsletter



Rotary International President, Gary C.K. Huang (Taiwan)
District 7020 Governor, Paul Brown (Jamaica)

AUGUST 2014



Our District Governor is Paul Brown from Jamaica. At right with wife, Kay.



Newsletter Editor – Kitty Bucsko

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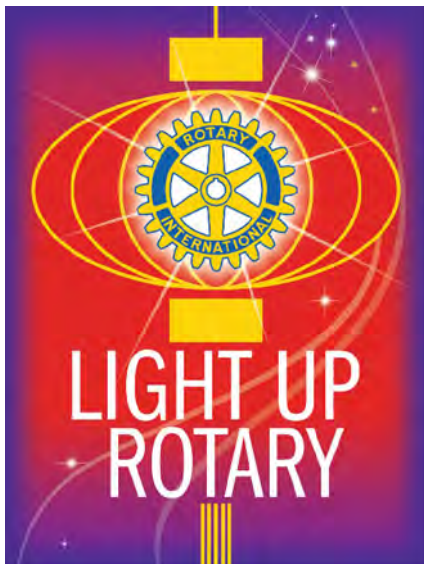


AUGUST MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2014-15) PAUL BROWN

Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors and Family of Rotary

We have just completed our first month of the year and what a month it has been! The pace has been hectic to say the least!

Kay and I started off with a series of Club Installations in the first two weeks - all interesting, and reflecting a level of enthusiasm and expectancy from the Clubs. It was capped off by my own Installation Ceremony, held at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel in Kingston, Jamaica on July 12, 2014. From all reports, it was a successful event and was well supported, mainly by local Rotarians and their partners and spouses. We also had good support from the Leadership in the District. Our Keynote speaker, RID Robert Hall was well received.



Over the ensuing two weeks, we visited Clubs in the Cayman Islands and Turks and Caicos Islands. We met with six Rotary Clubs and four Rotaract Clubs in these two locations. We had Board and Club meetings, and we saw small, medium and large clubs at work. We were all warmly received, and the time spent with the Clubs was both enjoyable and informative.

We were taken on tours of some fantastic projects in the two islands. I can safely say that all clubs were doing excellent work and having an impact on their respective communities. What was equally noticeable was the level of camaraderie and energy exhibited by both large and small clubs alike. They appeared to be having fun as they do their service to the community. All indications were that the communities were very aware of Rotary, and they openly expressed their appreciation for what was being done in the areas.

There is the concern however that the membership issue affecting our District was evidenced by the recognition of two small clubs [<15 members]. The spirit in these Clubs was good, and they were both doing great projects in their communities. However, the load on individual Rotarians was telling and has brought home the need for us to refresh our clubs - especially so during the month of August when the theme of the month would centre around **Membership Development and Extension**. If these clubs needs are not addressed, they will, over time, become unsustainable.

It is true that Membership Retention and Engagement are elements that need to be focused on, but as our theme suggests, **Inspire Youth...Build Rotary**, I am encouraging all clubs to look at how we can grow our numbers in our clubs. I would like to encourage clubs to examine their needs, and see where they can improve on the diversity of their clubs, always mindful of selecting quality dedicated and energetic persons respectful of our core values and attitudes. We must also bring our Youth Arms closer to us and seek to assist them in transitioning to Rotary. We must look to be creative, innovative and flexible. These are our future Rotarians and we must nurture and prepare them. Several clubs have been doing so successfully, and are happy for the transitions. Let us make this a part of our program for this year in all our clubs.

Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors and Family of Rotary, let us use the month of August to begin to address our membership goals as stated in our District Plans, [Net growth of at least three or more]; let us "Light up Rotary Membership" and as we do so, let us "Light up Rotary" in our Communities, both locally and internationally.

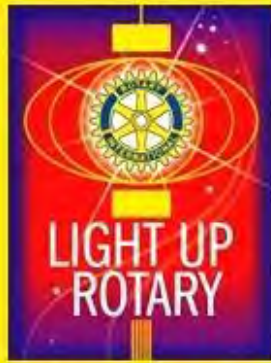
Let's **Light up Rotary** in 2014-15!

Paul Brown, District 7020 Governor (2014-15)



PHOTOS FROM INSTALLATION CEREMONY DG. PAUL BROWN





Director 2014-16
Rotary International Zones 33 & 34

ROBERT HALL
Rotary Club of Dunwoody
Atlanta, GA USA
District 6900



Mid-Atlantic and Southeastern USA, the Caribbean, Puerto Rico, French Guiana, Guyana, Suriname

DG'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE AROUND D7020

TRAVEL - AUGUST 2014

	Fly to Puerto Rico	Friday, August 8-10, 2014
	Return to Jamaica	Sunday August 10, 2014
Jamaica Central	Michael Terrelonge	Tuesday, August 12-14, 2014
Spanish Town		David Dobson
Portmore		Junior Leslie
North St Catherine		Glendon Stewart

	Fly to Haiti	Sunday, August 17-30, 2014
Artibonite, Nord 1 & 2	Evenel Osias, Dawn Johnson, Dieulin Joanis	
Haiti Nord 2	Evenel Osias	
Pignon		Bernard Duchenet
Hinche		Germanite Phanord
Saint-Michel de L'Atalaye		Ophanias Amilcar
Haiti Nord 1	Dieulin Joanis	
Cap Haitien		Marie-Lourdes Trott
Ouanaminthe		Hugues Bastien
Port de Paix		Sylvestre Charles
Milot		Raphael Belizaire
Artibonite	Dawn Johnson	
Bayonnais Gonaives		Enoch Saint-Louis
Montrouis		Elias Thera
Verrettes		Rogers Dorilas
Saint-Marc		Wilfred Joubert
Petite Riviere de L'Artibonite		Bergson Celestin

TRAVEL - SEPTEMBER 2014

	Return to Jamaica	Saturday, August 30, 2014
Jamaica North West	Michelle Daswani	Monday, September 1-October 1, 2014
Falmouth		Dane Stewart
Montego Bay East		Marcus McKenzie
Montego Bay		Buls, Ben
Montego Bay Sunrise		Ramdanle-Linton, Suzette
Jamaica West	Douglas Arnold	
Lucea		Hall, Kelvin
Negril		Warren, Richard
Savannah La Mar		Richards, Vivienne
Black River		Lloyd Clarke
Jamaica South West	Dale Greaves-Smith	
Santa Cruz		Rupert Smith
Mandeville		Ricketts, Elroy
Christiana		Ron Hamilton
May Pen		Clive Simpson
Jamaica South Central	Donovan Brown	
St Andrew North		Lascelles Poyser
Liguanea Plains		Patrick Evelyn
Downtown Kingston		David McDonald
New Kingston		Lloyd Butler
Morant Bay		Sylvia Brooks
Jamaica South East	Noel Osbourne	
Kingston		Francois St. Juste
Kingston East & Port Royal		Winsome Gordon
Trafalgar New Heights		Coleen Lewis
St. Andrew		Robert Gibbs
St Andrew North		Lascelles Poyser
Liguanea Plains		Patrick Evelyn
Downtown Kingston		David McDonald
New Kingston		Lloyd Butler
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St. Andrew		Robert Gibbs



District Governor Paul Brown (second from left) with PDG Jeremy, DGE Felix Stubbs and DGN Haresh Ramchandani at the recent installation of DG Paul in Jamaica.



ABCs OF ROTARY



*Cliff Dochterman,
RI President 1992-93*

Cliff Dochterman's professional life included 40 years in higher education administration – 20 years each at the University of California in Berkeley and at the University of Pacific in Stockton, California

Most of us know him for his volunteer work for Rotary over the past 50 years. He has served in almost every Rotary assignment in the world. From Berkeley Rotary Club president (1963-64) [*the Club's silver anniversary*], to District **5160** Governor (1968-69), University Hills Club President (1971-72) [*1971 Charter President, RC of University Hills, CO, D5450*] to Rotary International Director (1983-85), R.I. Vice President (1984-85), President of Rotary International (1992-93), Trustee and Chairman of The Rotary Foundation (1993-99) and chairman of virtually every Rotary committee. It has been said that Cliff has spoken before more Rotary Clubs than anyone in the world.

He is the author of the booklet, "The ABCs of Rotary", which has been translated into more languages than any other Rotary publication. He has had a lifetime association with the Boy Scouts of America and has received three of the organization's highest honors – the Distinguished Eagle, Silver Antelope, and Silver Beaver. Cliff served as Chairman of Rotary's Council on Legislation in 2001. He has received The Rotary

Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service, the Distinguished Service Award and the Polio Plus Pioneer Award.

In 1992-93 he became the world President of Rotary International. He selected the theme, "Real Happiness Is Helping Others." Cliff has been honored by the heads of state of dozens of countries for spreading good will and world understanding.

Cliff and his wife, Mary Elena, both belong to the Rotary Club of Moraga. Mary Elena has been president of the Moraga Rotary Club, Assistant District Governor and received Rotary's Service Above Self Award.

...from the ABCs of Rotary



DEFINITION OF ROTARY

How do you describe the organization called "Rotary"? There are so many characteristics of a Rotary club as well as the activities of a million Rotarians. There are the features of service, internationality, fellowship, classifications of each vocation, development of goodwill and world understanding, the emphasis of high ethical standards, concern for other people and many more descriptive qualities.

In 1976, the Rotary International Board of Directors was interested in creating a concise definition of the fundamental aspects of Rotary. They turned to the three men who were then serving on Rotary's Public Relations Committee and requested that a one-sentence definition of Rotary be prepared. After numerous drafts, the committee presented this definition, which has been used ever since in various Rotary publications:

Rotary is an organization of business and professional person united worldwide who provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations and help build goodwill and peace in the world."

Those 31 words are worth remembering when someone asks, "What is a Rotary club?"

THE OFFICIAL ROTARY FLAG

An official flag was formally adopted by Rotary International at the 1929 Convention in Dallas, Texas. The Rotary flag consists of a white field with the official wheel emblem emblazoned in gold in the center of the field.



The four depressed spaces on the rim of the Rotary wheel are coloured royal blue. The words “Rotary” and “International” printed at the top and bottom depressions on the wheel rim are also gold. The shaft in the hub and the keyway of the wheel are white.

The first official Rotary flag reportedly was flown in Kansas City, Missouri, in January 1915. In 1922, a small Rotary flag was carried over the South Pole by Admiral Richard Byrd, a member of the Winchester, Virginia, Rotary Club. Four years later, the admiral carried a Rotary flag in his expedition to the North Pole.

Some Rotary clubs use the official Rotary flag as a banner at club meetings. In these instances, it is appropriate to print the words “Rotary Club” above the wheel symbol, and the name of the city, state or nation below the emblem.

The Rotary flag is always prominently displayed at the World Headquarters as well as at all conventions and official events of Rotary International.

ROTARY’S WHEEL EMBLEM

A wheel has been the symbol of Rotary since our earliest days. The first design was made by Chicago Rotarian Montague Bear, an engraver who drew a simple wagon wheel, with a few lines to show dust and motion. The wheel was said to illustrate “Civilization and Movement.” Most of the early clubs had some form of wagon wheel on their publications and letterheads.

Finally, in 1922, it was decided that all Rotary clubs should adopt a single design as the exclusive emblem of Rotarians. Thus, in 1923, the present gear wheel, with 24 cogs and six spokes was adopted by the “Rotary International Association.”

A group of engineers advised that the geared wheel was mechanically unsound and would not work without a “keyway” in the center of the gear to attach it to a power shaft. So, in 1923, the keyway was added and the design which we now know was formally adopted as the official Rotary International emblem.

THE SECRETARIAT

Many Rotarians consider the Secretariat simply another name for the RI World Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois, U.S.A. Actually, it is much more. While it does include the entire World Headquarters, The Secretariat encompasses nearly 500 individuals working to make Rotary International run smoothly and effectively.

The term describes the entire operations of the General Secretary and his staff. The Secretariat includes all eight Rotary Service Centers (formerly called Branch Offices) around the world, all of the staff serving in those centers, as well as all staff assigned to The Rotary Foundation. Its sole purpose is to serve the clubs, districts and administrative officers of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation. RI World Headquarters, in a building called One Rotary Center in Evanston, is the headquarters of the Secretariat.

SOME ROTARY “FIRSTS”

- The first Rotary club meeting was in Chicago, Illinois, on February 23, 1905
- The first regular luncheon meetings were in Oakland, California, chartered in 1909.
- The first Rotary convention was in Chicago in 1910.
- The first Rotary club outside of the United States was chartered in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, in 1910.
- The first Rotary club outside of North America was chartered in Dublin, Ireland, in 1911.
- The first Rotary club in a non-English-speaking country was in Havana, Cuba, in 1916.
- The first Rotary club in South America was chartered in Montevideo, Uruguay, in 1918.
- The first Rotary club in Asia was chartered in Manila, Philippines, in 1919.
- The first Rotary club in Africa was chartered in Johannesburg, South Africa, in 1921.
- The first Rotary club in Australia was chartered in Melbourne in 1921.



MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

...from District 7020 Chair, Vernella Fuller, Jamaica



Breast is Best:

Natural, Healthy and Enriching!



Area of Focus - Maternal and Child Health –
Vernella Fuller (District Chair)

FACTS EVERY MOTHER SHOULD KNOW –

Breast milk is a unique nutritional source that cannot adequately be replaced by any other food, including infant formula.

Breast-fed children are more resistant to disease and infection early in life than formula-fed children. During nursing, the mother passes antibodies to the child, which help the child resist diseases and improve the child's immune response to certain vaccines.

Breast-fed children are less likely to contract a number of diseases later in life, including juvenile diabetes, multiple sclerosis, heart disease, and cancer.

Mothers who breastfeed for over 2 years are less likely to develop osteoporosis later in life, are able to lose weight gained during pregnancy more easily, and reduce their risk of breast, uterine and ovarian cancer by over 25 per cent.

Breastfeeding is cheaper than buying formula and helps avoid medical bills by equipping the baby to fight off disease and infection. In one study, a group of formula-fed infants had \$68,000 in health care costs in a six-month period, while an equal number of nursing babies had only \$4,000 of similar expenses.

In developing countries, differences in infection rates can seriously affect an infant's chances for survival. For example, in Brazil, a formula-fed baby is 14 times more likely to die than an exclusively breast-fed baby.

As children grow into adults, several studies have shown that people who were breast-fed as infants have lower blood pressure, healthier hearts and fewer cavities - on average - than those who were formula-fed.

Breast-fed children develop fewer psychological, behavioural and learning problems as they grow older. Studies also indicate that cognitive development is increased among children whose mothers choose to breastfeed.

Officially, the World Health Organization (WHO) designates formula milk as the last choice in infant-feeding: (1) first choice is breast milk from the mother; (2) second choice is the mother's own milk given via cup or bottle; (3) third choice is breast milk from a milk bank or wet nurse and, finally, (4) in fourth place, formula milk.



Fatty acids essential for brain development, and amino acids essential for central nervous system development, are lacking in much infant formula. Further, iron is 50 to 75 percent absorbed from breast milk compared to 5 to 10 percent from formula milk.

Breast milk delivers a steady supply of antibodies from the mother to the new-born, which builds immunity. This advantage is not available with formula milk. Recent research adds more: the gut pH of breastfed babies is 5.1 to 5.4 whereas that of formula babies is as high as 7.3.

To create formula, milk from a cow or buffalo is modified for infant consumption. First, it is dried at an extremely high temperature, which generates a toxin called Advanced Glycation End Products (AGEs) which is associated with diabetes and cardiovascular diseases. Research has found that babies who have been fed formula milk have as much AGEs in their blood as their mothers! Formula may also contain unintentional contaminants introduced during the manufacturing process.

American baby formula has been found to contain aluminium, silicon, cadmium, MSG, genetically engineered soya beans, phosphate, phthalates and BPA. BPA is Bisphenol A which leaches into the powder from the paint used to coat the inside of the can.

Buffalo's milk is designed by nature for calves, which must grow into cows in the short span of two to four years, so the milk is endowed with enough protein and minerals to promote rapid growth. Human babies grow to full body maturity in 16-18 years, so breast milk has lower energy density and protein.

After the initial start-up period, breastfeeding can be relatively easy. All mothers have to do is lift their shirt and let the little one latch on. No shopping for formula, bottles, and other supplies. No mixing, heating, refrigerating and cleaning up of formula. If mothers sleep with their baby, or sleep with their baby next to their bed, the disturbing night time rituals associated with formula use are reduced. Mothers are simply able to roll over, let the baby latch on, and go back to sleep!

Suggested Rotary Club Projects



Area of Focus - Maternal and Child Health -
Vernella Fuller (District Chair)

- Share this information with pre- and post-natal groups in your area.
- Produce and distribute leaflets with information on breastfeeding to health centres.
- Fund breastfeeding classes and information sessions at local clinics.

As District Chair for Maternal and Child Health Care, I am promoting breastfeeding as a possible project area. All club presidents should have received a copy of a PowerPoint Presentation distributed through the district ClubRunner.

May I also draw your attention to the District 7020 website (www.7020.org) where you will find a number of Areas of Focus project suggestions.

Please contact me if you need any support or advice in doing projects in this area. (Vernella Fuller vefuller@gmail.com)

WORLD'S GREATEST MEAL TO END POLIO

...submitted by Ramesh Manek

The simplest and most powerful social-media-driven fund-raiser for Polio by Rotarians



The WGM to end polio started out with two Rotarians (Susanne from Australia and Mukesh from England). They were figuring out how we can raise funds for Polio. So the idea came up that we all like to eat and enjoy, so how about dedicating the next meal or dinner meeting to Polio via WGM.

Social Media Boosts End Polio Funding
3/4 Million USD and counting

Join us now via
www.wgmeal.com
to make it
\$1 million soon!

The graphic features a globe surrounded by diverse children's faces. Text on the globe includes 'The World's Greatest Meal To Help End Polio', 'END POLIO NOW', 'www.wgmeal.com', and the Rotary logo.

This activity was tried out first in their respective Districts. Seeing the success, they posted on LinkedIn Rotary group, which is where Ramesh saw it. It was so simple that it attracted Ramesh right away. He emailed Susanne after getting the approval from his club.

Ramesh's club, the Rotary Club of St, Maarten Mid Isle, was going to have a valentine dinner around that time, so they dedicated the proceeds from that dinner to WGM to end polio (\$ 600.00). Then came their second event. The restaurant where they hold their meetings donated \$400.00, proceeds from the Super Bowl party they had.

Also Bill & Melinda Gates foundation has challenged Rotary with a 1:2 match. Every dollar that Rotary raises will

be matched by \$2. So \$ 1.00 becomes \$ 3.00.

As it started getting busy at WGM headquarters, Susanne approached Ramesh to ask if he would be the coordinator for the Caribbean District 7020. Ramesh agreed. It was a win-win program for everyone. Since then we can see the success worldwide as well as in our District.

Some figures for 2013-2014 Rotary year

In this past Rotary year, total funds raised worldwide via WGM are \$245,000.00 which becomes \$735,000.00 with the Bill & Melinda Gates' match. A total of 18,974 persons participated Worldwide.

D7020 is No. 2 worldwide in terms of events held in 2013-2014, thanks to three clubs that had dedicated their meetings for almost the last two months to Polio (RC East Nassau - RC St Maarten - RC St Maarten Mid Isle)

From February 2014 to the end of June 2014, D7020 has raised \$19,606 with 2052 persons participating. This amount multiplies to \$58,818.00 with the Bill Gates' match. If we count D7020 as one country, then we will be No. 6 in giving worldwide, just ahead of New Zealand.

The new target of WGM is to raise \$1 million dollars, including the Bill & Melinda Gates' Match and 500 events by World Polio Day October 24, 2014. At present, we are at \$735,000.00 with 414 events.

Here's hoping we can build on our success of 2013-2014 with the support of each and every club in our wonderful District 7020!

To register your event you can go on line www.wgmeal.com or email Ramesh Manek at maneks@domaccess.com. You'll need the following information:

Club name - District number - Country name - Details of event

After the event is held please send following information – Funds raised for polio from the event and how many persons attended the event.

Thanks to all!



HISTORY OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

...submitted by Patrick Adizua

At the 1917 convention, outgoing RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed to set up an endowment “for the purpose of doing good in the world.” In 1928, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International



GROWTH OF THE FOUNDATION

In 1929, the Foundation made its first gift of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. “Daddy” Allen, later grew into Easter Seals. When Rotary founder, Paul Harris died in 1947, contributions began pouring in to Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation.

EVOLUTION OF FOUNDATION PROGRAMS

1947: The Foundation established its first program, Fellowships for Advance Study, later known as Ambassadorial Scholarships.

1965-66: Three programs were launched: Group Study Exchange, Awards for Technical Training, and Grants for Activities in keeping with the Objective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants.

1978: Rotary introduced the Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants. The first 3-H Grant funded a project to immunize 6 million Philippine children against polio.

1985: The PolioPlus program was launched to eradicate polio worldwide.

1987-88: The first peace forums were held, leading to Rotary Peace Fellowships.

2013: New district, global, and packaged grants enable Rotarians around the world to respond to the world’s greatest needs. Since the first donation of \$26.50 in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totaling more than \$1 billion. Rotarians have a 100-year track record of working together to address some of the world’s most pressing needs. Your continued support to The Rotary Foundation helps fulfill the promises we made to improve our communities and communities around the world

WHAT IS THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY?

Named after Rotary’s founder, the Paul Harris Society recognizes those who annually contribute US\$1,000 or more to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus, or an approved Rotary Foundation grant. By joining the Paul Harris Society, you are making a lasting difference in communities around the world.



Rotary Direct - Rotary’s recurring giving program, makes it easy to join the Paul Harris Society.

Consider making a gift of \$85 a month or \$250 a quarter by using the attached contribution form or by visiting www.rotary.org/contribute. By giving from your heart each and every year, you change lives, support families, and empower communities.

What Does Your Gifts Help Provide?

- Vocational training for teachers establishing an early childhood education centre in South Africa.
- Water filters, toilet blocks, and hygiene training to prevent fluorosis in a community in India.
- A scholarship for a medical profession in Italy to research treatments to minimize mortality rates among premature babies.
- Peace-building seminars for 200 teachers and 1300 students in Uganda.
- Insecticide treated mosquito nets and medical services to help prevent Malaria in Mali.

Projects like these rely on the ongoing gifts from compassionate individuals like you. Arch C. Klumph, the visionary of our Foundation wrote:

“The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; If we work on brass, time will efface it; If we rear temples, they will crumble into dust; But if we work upon immortal minds, If we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary... We are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity.”

THE DISTRICT 7020 FOUNDATION TEAM



Above left – District 7020 Paul Harris Society Chair – PDGSC Patrick Adizua. Email: eyiche2@cwjamaica.com

Second from left – Paul Harris Society Co-ordinator, Grand Cayman – PAG Rosalie Twohey. Email: rosiel@candw.ky

Second from right – Paul Harris Society Co-ordinator East, St. Thomas – Marston Winkles. Email: mwinkles@hunterfoodsvi.com

Far right - Paul Harris Society Co-ordinator, Bahamas Joanne Smith. Email: jopatts1111@hotmail.com

Dear Rotarians,

I hope that you are doing well. I am writing to you as my new role as Paul Harris Society Coordinator. Though the Paul Harris Society has been in existence for many years, the Trustees of our Rotary Foundation recently made it an official recognition program of The Rotary Foundation starting 1 July 2013. As such, my position was created to help support the wonderful work of Rotary by recognizing generous contributions from individuals of US \$2.83/day, \$85/month, \$250/quarter or \$1,000 each and every year to one of three designations (Annual Fund, Polio Plus, or an approved Global Grant).

In looking at the report, it appears that you have historically given at this level helping to change lives and communities around the world. I would like to first thank you for your continued generosity, and also ask to see if you would like to be an official member of the Paul Harris Society.

Membership in the society will be tracked by the Foundation, and I am working to collect and communicate the list of Paul Harris Society members in our district. There is a sign-up sheet as well as automatic membership for those giving US\$1,000 or whatever amount through Rotary's on-line recurring giving program, Rotary Direct.

In order to save you some time as we start into the “official” program, I am collecting names to send to the Foundation for entry for Rotarians and friends of Rotary who wish to commit to giving US\$1,000+ while financially able.

If you could let me know whether you would like to become an official member of the Paul Harris Society I will gladly communicate this to The Rotary Foundation.

Thank you so much for your time, and thank you on behalf of the beneficiaries we may never see but whose lives we have changed!

YIRS,

Patrick E. Adizua MD (D-7020 Paul Harris Society Chair)

Club Charter Celebrations

Celebration/Activity Date

<i>Celebration/Activity</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Attendance Report Due</i>	3 rd of the month
Club Charter Celebrations	
<i>E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020</i>	August 12, 2013
<i>St. Croix West, USVI</i>	August 12, 1968
<i>Abaco, Bahamas</i>	August 20, 1971
<i>West Nassau, Bahamas</i>	September 2, 1970
<i>Port Antonio, Jamaica</i>	September 8, 1970
<i>St. Andrew, Jamaica</i>	September 8, 1966
<i>St. Croix Harborside, USVI</i>	September 10, 1996
<i>Jacmel, Haiti</i>	September 12, 1984
<i>Downtown Kingston, Jamaica</i>	September 21, 1982
<i>St. Thomas, USVI</i>	October 2, 1957
<i>Montego Bay Sunrise</i>	October 13, 2009
<i>Port au Prince – Champs de Mars, Haiti</i>	October 21, 2009
<i>St. Thomas East, USVI</i>	October 22, 1986
<i>St. Croix, USVI</i>	October 25, 1958
<i>Cap Haitien, Haiti</i>	October 26, 1979
<i>Grand Cayman Central, Cayman Islands</i>	October 30, 1986

R U RED E?



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New E-mail for all COTM correspondence

**Club of the Month
Begins in August!**

with

MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIPS MONTH

**Guidelines and Submission Templates
will be sent to all members this month**

Will Your Club be a WINNER?

CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP CELEBRATION 2014

August 8 – 10, 2014 in Puerto Rico



As Chairman of the Caribbean Partnership beginning July 2014, I am delighted to announce to you that the Caribbean Partnership celebration event in 2014 is scheduled in District 7000 for the weekend of August 8 – 10, 2014.

Rotary District 7000 comprises Puerto Rico.

We hope to enlist the support of all Districts.

Best Regards
Vance Lewis – PDG D7020
Chairman Caribbean Partnership, beginning July 2014



Photos: PRID Barry Rassin and daughter, Michele; DG Paul Brown with wife, Kay and PDG Jeremy Hurst



Coming Events

Membership and Extension Month
August, 2014

Caribbean Partnership Celebration
August 8 - 10, 2014 - Puerto Rico

International Literacy Day
September 8, 2014

International Day of Peace
September 21, 2014

World Food Day
October 16, 2014

World Polio Day
October 24, 2014

World Interact Week
November 3-9, 2014

International Women's Day
March 8, 2015

World Rotaract Week
March 9-15, 2015

World Autism Awareness Day
April 2, 2015

Earth Day, 2015
Wednesday, April 22, 2015

D7020 Conference 2015 - May
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CLUB NEWS – Where is your club?

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS SUNRISE

...submitted by Virginia Dargan

Over half of the entire Rotary Club of St. Thomas Sunrise were on hand to bring a little joy to the residents of the Lucinda Millin Home on Saturday, June 27. Sunrisers brought ice cream, cookies and punch for the residents' taste buds, music for their ears and joined them in dancing and singing.



Oleik Ledee and his mother provided live music and song with Oleik on his accordion and his mother playing a variety of percussion instruments. Residents jumped to their feet and enjoyed dancing to Oleik's tunes.

At left - One of Rotary Club of St. Thomas Sunrise's Former Presidents, Tommy Boatwright helps a Lucinda Millen resident enjoy the ice cream social.

Also on hand were members of the All Saints Choraleers who provided residents with a variety of their favorite hymns. Fun was had by all and the residents expressed both their appreciation and hope for Rotary Sunrise's next visit.

For more information about this event, please contact Ginny Dargan at 776-8236.

ROTARY CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN CENTRAL

...submitted by Larry Tibbetts, President

The photo below shows a gift presentation that IPP Naude made to his Board Members during the club's Changeover.



At front - IPP. Naude; Dir. Club Service – Susie Boddin; Pres. Larry; Membership Director – PP. Fiona Mosley; Vocational Services Director – PP. Ravee Kapoor; VP - Mike Pratt; Secretary – April Lewis. Back row: Dir. New Generations – Francine Howell-Bryce; Dir. International Service – Alan Silverman; Treas. Paul Arbo; PE. Sandy Cram, Public Image Director – Nickii Sonnenberg; Sgt. Zelta Gayle.

We had over 90 persons including Outgoing DG Jeremy, ADG Eric Bush, Rotary and Rotaract Club PE's, and other Service Club PE's in attendance.

The funds raised from a silent auction which included 2 Bus Shelter 1 year advertising spaces and jewellery went to WGM.

Total contributed from the event US\$3000.

In addition, we inducted four (4) new Rotarians, who transitioned from our sponsored Rotaract Blue Club.

We have a lot of photos of the evening posted on our Facebook page. We also held our first regular Club Meeting on the Tuesday evening as a New Year's Party and an informal Club Assembly. It was enjoyed by everyone in attendance. Lots of participation, fun and fellowship.



A photo above of our New Rotarians at the induction during changeover. It was my first duty as the Incoming President. Those in the photo are Sponsor Sec. Trudy-Ann Scott; New Rot. Tricia Cacho; New Rot. Cedric Gidarsingh; Pres. Larry; Sponsor, Tunde MacDonald; New Rot. Kalesiah Barboram; New Rot. Thomas Dillon.

This induction makes 8 Rotaractors who have transitioned into our club from our sponsored Rotaract Blue club. Very energetic and engaging group which adds to the vibrancy of our club.

The wine behind us was not what we ordered. 😊

ROTARY CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN SUNRISE

RC Grand Cayman Sunrise dedicated their Changeover to Polio plus via World's Greatest Meal to End Polio.

They raised \$ 1697.43 = \$ 5092.29 (with Bill & Melinda Gates Match) = 8487 vaccines = 4243 children of the World Immunized against Polio.

See photos on the next page.



Here are the real laws of nature:

1. **Law of Mechanical Repair** - After your hands become coated with grease, your nose begins to itch.
2. **Law of Gravity** - Any tool, nut, bolt, screw, when dropped, rolls to the least accessible corner.
3. **Law of Probability** - The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.
4. **Law of Random Numbers** - If you dial a wrong number, you never get a busy signal and someone always answers.

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS EAST



Thank you to Rotary Club St. Thomas East for dedicating their Changeover to World's Greatest Meal to End polio.

They raised \$ 741.00 for Polio Plus. This amount becomes \$ 2223.00 with Bill Gates' match. This money will buy 3705 vaccines that will immunize 1852 children!

Congratulations!

ROTARY CLUB OF SINT MAARTEN MID-ISLE

MICAELA HART RECEIVES PAUL HARRIS FELLOW AWARD

The Rotary Club of Sint Maarten-Mid Isle surprised Micaela Hart with a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) at the Club's Change of Board Dinner last Saturday in front of about 100 Rotarians and Friends of Rotary. The presentation of Paul Harris Fellow recognition is The Rotary Foundation's way of expressing its appreciation for a substantial contribution to its humanitarian and educational programs. The Rotary Club recognized Ms. Hart for her distinguished and dedicated service to our community.



Micaela has served as one of the Ambassadors when she was studying at the University of St. Martin (USM), and at her graduation ceremony, she made her parents proud by receiving the USM Board of Directors Award for her dedicated service to the community of Sint Maarten as an Ambassador.

At left - Mid Isle President Sanjay Surtani, PHF Micaela Hart and her father Rotarian Jon Hart

She continued her "Service Above Self" by joining the Rotaract Club of St Maarten Sunrise in 2012.

To gain additional leadership skills, she attended the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) last year in Washington DC. To help people medically when the need arises, she took a course in Emergency Medical Responder last year, and took it even further by going to become a basic certified Emergency Medical Technician earlier this year. As a Sunrise Rotaractor she participated in the Club's various community projects including their annual "Feeding the Homeless", "Hurricane Awareness Mission", "World Water Day" and planting trees among her Club's many activities. Hart served on her Club's board as International Director this past year, and will soon be travelling to the Rotaract District Conference in Jamaica to attend the President-Elects Training Seminar, to fully prepare her in taking the leadership of the Sunrise Rotaract Club as President for 2014-2015.

Reading out the presentation was Micaela's father Rotarian Jon Hart, while outgoing Mid Isle president Sanjay Surtani presented her with the PHF certificate, medallion and Paul Harris pin.

The PHF recognition is named for founder, Paul Harris, a Chicago lawyer who started Rotary International with three business associates in 1905. Rotarians often designate a Paul Harris Fellow as a tribute to a person whose life demonstrates a shared purpose with the objectives of The Rotary Foundation.

ROTARIAN RAMESH MANEK AWARDED ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR

Rotarian Ramesh Manek was awarded Rotarian of the year by his club, The Rotary Club of St. Maarten Mid Isle.



Rotarian Ramesh Manek has received recognition from the district on his achievement in the fight to end polio.

Rotary International has been instrumental in eradicating polio in all but three countries worldwide and continues to raise funds towards the goal of total eradication from the world.

“We Are This Close” is the campaign logo for eradicating polio.

MARCIA ILLIDGE INDUCTED AS ROTARY MID ISLE’S NEWEST MEMBER

Recently, Rotary St. Maarten Mid Isle inducted its newest and 20th member of the club, Ms. Marcia Illidge. Marcia Illidge is the managing director of BDO St. Maarten. President Sanjay Surtani welcomed Rotarian Marcia to the club. Her sponsor is Rotarian Veronica Jansen-Webster.



Above left - President Sanjay Surtani handing over the membership certificate to Rotarian Marcia Illidge while Rotarian Veronica Jansen looks on. *At right above* - President Sanjay Surtani along with newly inducted Rotarian Marcia Illidge and her sponsor Veronica Jansen.

FIRST MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SINT MAARTEN MID ISLE



Above left - Rotarian: Raymond Green, guest; Guest Speaker: Rhoda Arrindell, President Wayne Wilkie, Rotarian PAG: Louis Wever; Rotarian Wayne Johnson. **Above right** - Guest speaker Rhoda Arrindell, President Wayne Wilkie, Rotarian PAG Louis Wever.

Above, President Wayne Wilkie conducts the first weekly meeting. President Wayne will be in charge for the Rotary year 2014 - 2015 for our club. We are sure that this year we will be better as our club meetings are always good, with fantastic fellowship and we are getting better every year. Wish President Wayne all the best for this Rotary year.

A FOCUS ON LITERACY IN JULY

With another focus on literacy in July, the Rotary Club of Sint Maarten is starting their literacy program.



- Dr. Rhoda Arrindell addressed the club on literacy.
- We have items to give to schools.
- We will be giving books to the Mental Health Foundation for their library.

Dr. Rhoda Arrindell updated us all about literacy in our country St. Maarten, and where we standing now. This was a very good update for everybody. After she signed her newest book and presented this to our president, also she gave another book which we raffled. IPP Jon was the lucky winner. Dr. Arrindell signed the book for IPP Jon.

We had a wonderful meeting!

At left – Dr. Arrindell and President Wayne Wilkie

At right - St. Maarten Mid-isle president Wayne Wilkie presented books for the library at the Mental Health Foundation with Eileen, July 25, 2014.



ROTARY CLUB OF OCHO RIOS

...submitted by Pixley Irons

The Rotary Club of Ocho Rios after the 46th year as a Rotary Club has installed Rotarian Margaret Harvey Williams as the first female president. The installation was held at the St. Ann Chamber of Commerce Conference Center on the 2nd of July 2014.

Guest Speaker- Mr. Clive Rowe Dean of discipline Ferncourt High School.

Attendees were Custos of St. Ann, Hon. Norma Walters and, Hon. Radcliffe Walters, Hon Rotarian, Mrs. Vivette Edwards Principal of the Skill Training Center in Ocho Rios, Mrs. Tabitha Chambers, Principal Edgehill School of Special Education, Mrs. Racquel Gardner, and Mrs. Perleta Garrel of U.G.I. Ocho Rios, Assistant Governor Donald Barnett, President- Hyacinth and Members of the St. Mary Rotary Club, Jan Howell and husband from the Crenshaw Rotary Club of L.A California, members of the Inner Wheel Club of Ocho Rios, President Ruel and members of the Ocho Rios Rotary Club.



Above - President Ruel giving instructions to incoming President Margaret.

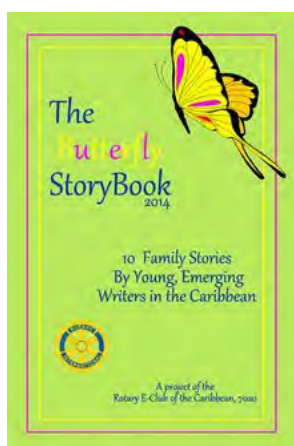


ROTARY E-CLUB OF THE CARIBBEAN, 7020 Award-winning Literacy Project

Congratulations! Your Rotary club/IRA council literacy initiative, *The Butterfly Storybook*, has been chosen to receive one of two US\$2,500 prizes provided by The Pearson Foundation.

Literacy transforms the lives and strengthens communities. Your work to promote literacy is invaluable, and we thank you for sharing about your collaborative project to improve literacy in regions most in need of assistance.

As a winner, your project will receive an award check for US\$2,500 from The Pearson Foundation. At your convenience, please confirm the name that the award check should be made out to and the name and address where the check should be mailed.



In addition to the grand prize, Rotary and the International Reading Association will be promoting your outstanding service initiatives through a number of media outlets including the Rotary and IRA websites, social media pages, newsletters, and blogs. Please send us any project photographs, along with caption, that can be used in these media releases to further promote your winning submission.

Due to recent changes at the International Reading Association, instead of hosting an International Literacy Day celebration in Washington D.C. in September, communities around the world are encouraged to celebrate their advancements in literacy while inspiring neighbors to join the cause. We look forward to sharing your service story and encouraging others to undertake humanitarian endeavors to meet literacy needs locally and internationally.

Congratulations again on your accomplishment. We wish your project continued success and look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

Ellina Kushnir
Program Specialist | Rotary Service Connections
RI Programs
Rotary International

Margie Bell
Education Relations Specialist
International Reading Association

About the award

Rotary International (RI) and the International Reading Association (IRA) have been project partners since 2002, working together to strengthen literacy in local and international communities. To promote that work, the [Pearson Foundation](#) is presenting two awards for literacy service projects *jointly* undertaken by Rotary clubs and IRA-affiliated reading councils. The awards of US \$2,500 each, generously funded by the foundation, are for projects undertaken between 1 January 2013 and 15 June 2014.

Applications for the awards can be submitted beginning on 1 August 2013. The applications will be reviewed by an independent panel of literacy professionals selected by IRA and Rotary. *Note: This award is not a project grant; it is intended to celebrate sustainable literacy initiatives between Rotarians and IRA members.*

For more information about the awards, Rotarians should contact rotary.service@rotary.org, and IRA members should contact irawash@reading.org.

ABOUT THE PEARSON FOUNDATION

The Pearson Foundation is an independent 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that aims to make a difference by promoting literacy, learning, and great teaching.

We do this by collaborating with leading businesses, non-profits, and education experts to share good practice; foster innovation; and find workable solutions to the educational disadvantages facing young people and adults across the globe.

1.1.1 Our Mission

We believe we can make an important difference by focusing our efforts, resources, and alliances on sharing and helping to scale the key approaches inside and outside the classroom that can most shape a child's success.

We focus on:

- **Literacy** – We're sharing books we love, and helping teachers, parents, and great non-profit organizations better ensure that young people are ready to read and learn.
- **Great learning** – We're helping to document, share, and scale innovative ways that schools make use of mobile and digital technologies to improve student learning. We are also identifying and supporting new approaches that encourage deeper learning inside and outside the classroom; and celebrating the remarkable ways that young people are employing 21st century skills to make a difference in their local communities.
- **Great teaching** – We're honoring great educators in local communities; supporting teaching and leadership that delivers better outcomes for students; and supporting innovative public-private partnerships to improve teaching practice in classrooms around the world. We also share educators' own perspectives so that teachers everywhere have the potential to improve their own schools and better student outcomes.

1.1.2 How we work

Each year an initial grant from Pearson, the world's leading learning company, provides us with operating funds we use to develop hands-on programs and partnerships around the world. We also work with Pearson, with other funders, and with a roster of exemplary non-profit organizations, corporations, and partners to help deliver scalable and replicable educational solutions to students, teachers, and educational institutions.

Whenever we can, we promote literacy, great learning, and great teaching by:

- Providing support and adding capacity to great non-profit organizations already making a difference in local communities.
- Incubating innovative approaches to teaching and learning that can make an immediate difference in the lives of young people and educators.
- Documenting, sharing, and encouraging innovative practices inside and outside the classroom so that others can build upon proven efforts and can adapt them to help the individuals and organizations they serve.

To showcase some of the best solutions already making a difference in local communities, we've developed programs like the [New Learning Institute](#), [We Give Books](#), and the [Strong Performers, Successful Reformers video series](#). These efforts—and others like them—share the common goal of supporting and spreading the word about exemplary practices among the world's most successful education systems and learning organizations.

We've also worked with public and private partners to develop new learning approaches of our own—efforts like the [BridgeIT](#) mobile learning solution, for example; the [My Voice student aspirations survey](#); and, coming prior to Fall, 2014 our sharing of four full year-long, fully digital courses that teachers and students can make use of for free to help meet the needs of the Common Core State Standards.

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THE BUTTERFLY STORYBOOK IS PROMOTED IN CALCUTTA, INDIA

Greetings from Kolkata!

You will be glad to know that our Club President Sashi Dhacholia formally handed over the books, so kindly donated by you, to Mrs. Noni Khullar, Principal of Akshar School in the presence of PDG Uttam Ganguli, District Literacy Coordinator and a host of other Rotarians.

I was present at the event as your representative wearing the beautiful District pin gifted by you.

I have pleasure in sending you a few photographs of the event which was a grand success and we can never thank you enough for your thoughtful gesture.

Thanks again and regards,

Rotarian Jayanta Chatterji



ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARTIN SUNRISE

...submitted by Kameela Piper

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARTIN SUNRISE ASSISTS IN PURCHASE OF GLASSES TO STUDENTS

The Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise was able to assist two young students with the purchase of eye glasses from the St. Maarten Academy School.

Part of the funds to purchase the eyeglasses was made available through the Bert Miller Funds, a fund created in the name of the late Dr. Bert Miller from Nova Scotia. The remainder of the funds was secured by Rotary Sunrise Fundraising Director Mr. Peter Dialani through a donation from Coralie Vision.



Dr. Miller, an eye doctor by profession, was a regular visitor of St. Maarten as a timeshare owner at Belair Hotel, sadly Dr. Miller passed away during his last visit on St. Maarten in March of 2008. At his memorial held on St. Maarten, family, Belair Beach Hotel timeshare owners and guest donated funds towards eye glasses for children in need as they knew Dr. Miller would have wanted.

Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise is very much honored to have been chosen to identify these children in need and to therefore make the funds available to purchase the required eye glasses.

The club had donated more than fifteen eyeglasses over the years and it is the wish of the Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise to raise funds every year to replenish the Bert Miller Fund and therefore to be able to donate more glasses to students in need.

On behalf of the children, Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise wishes to thank all who made these donations possible.

At left - Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise Fundraising Chair Peter Dialani, St. Maarten Academy Teacher Kim Lucas and Coralie Vision's Stephane Pouchin.

HENRY AND ARDUIN NEWEST PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

The Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise has awarded Paul Harris Fellowships to Ms. Marcellia Henry and Dr. Nilda Arduin.

Ms. Henry, who became a Rotarian in 2008, received the Rising Star award in 2009 and Rotarian of the Year Award in 2010. She has been a Past President (2012-2013) and is currently the President-Elect of The Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise. She has also held the position of Vocational director on two Rotary boards and Rotaract Liaison for 5 years. Together with the Philipsburg Jubilee Library, Ms. Henry founded the Readers are Leaders Program, which helps to stimulate reading among high school students. She is the Secretary General for UNESCO (*United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization*) for the Government of St. Maarten

Dr. Arduin is the first Ombudsman of St. Maarten. An appointment that came with the change of country status for the island. In her capacity as Ombudsman, Dr. Arduin, is charged with dealing with complaints against government bodies. She holds a doctorate in law from Vrije University in The Netherlands and is currently on the board of the International Ombudsman Institute Latin America & Caribbean Region. Dr. Arduin does outreach work with Foundation the Ark and is a motivational speaker and essayist. The recipients were honored with Rotary's highest distinction at the annual Change of Board ceremony for The Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise.



*Above left - Dr. Nilda Arduin, Immediate Past President Angela Gordon & President Dr. Virginia Asin-Oostburg.
Above right - Immediate Past President Angela Gordon, Marcellia Henry & President Dr. Virginia Asin-Oostburg*

ROTARY CLUB OF SAVANNA-LA-MAR

*Submitted by Andrew Williams
Program Chair - Rotary Club of Kitchener Westmount
Charter member of the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar*

Former D7020 Rotarian, Andrew Williams, wanted to share this story of long-time service by a Jamaican dentist and the Jamaican Rotarian Clubs involved.

A Rotary Success Story: How a Dentist and two Rotarians met.

FROM HUMBLE BEGINNINGS A VISION TAKES SHAPE

On a quiet Sunday afternoon in 1999 I was relaxing at my home at the time, Tate Shafston, Bluefields Westmoreland. An idyllic 800 acre cattle and pimento farm overlooking the Caribbean Sea situated on the southwest coast of Jamaica. The farm belonged to my in laws. As a brand new Rotarian I was quite naïve in the ways of Rotary and was open to any manner of new volunteer experiences. The telephone rang and Dr. Dwight Mcleod introduced himself to me having received my name and telephone number from another well-known Rotarian, Past President Clinton Chin from the Montego Bay Rotary Club. Clinton knew my father (PP Winston Williams) well a charter member of the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar and knew that I had recently been inducted and would be willing to help Dr. Mcleod.

Dr. Mcleod explained to me that he had a vision of providing dental clinics to rural Jamaica. One was in Flankers (a Shanty town on the outskirts of Montego Bay) which is how he came into contact with Rotarian Clinton and the second was located near Kew Park Westmoreland which led Rotarian Clinton to suggest contacting the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar Westmoreland and consequently me.

The conversation went on for some time as Dr. Mcleod explained his idea and I suggested ways in which the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar could assist him. We spoke as old friends do even though I had not even met Dr. Mcleod in person. That is the power of Rotary. That first telephone call began a long and rewarding relationship between Dr. Mcleod, the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar, the Rotary Club of Montego Bay and has grown to include other Rotary Clubs and other Rotarians as well as several other organizations.

The first year that Dr. Mcleod arrived on the Island Rotarian Clinton Chin (an hotelier) offered several rooms for his small team of volunteers. Rotarians from both clubs helped to provide transport and guides to the rural areas, arranged food and supplies, logistics etc. Dr. Mcleod and his team of volunteers did all the hard work to make his vision a reality over the past 16 years. Many of his volunteer dental students and dentists paid their own way for a working holiday.

Every year Dr. Mcleod publishes a summary letter (A copy of one them is included below) of the progress he has made, the number of patients treated etc. and those figures continue to grow. His teams of volunteers have grown as more dentists and students have taken up the cause. The School of Pharmacy at his University has sent down volunteers as well to assist in the distribution of medicines required for the dental clinics. A team of Rotarians in his home state of Illinois have helped him transport containers of equipment to the Island.(See Newspaper article below) Rotarians in Jamaica have assisted his team in procuring the proper permits, the importation of equipment and medicines and the logistics of housing and transporting his ever growing team to the Island every July.

What began with a telephone call has become an annual July outing for Dr. Mcleod and his team of volunteers from the University of Illinois. For the nine years that I served with the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar, Jamaica I was proud to been a part of the team that helped Dr. Mcleod achieve his vision and Dream. Although I am no longer in Jamaica, having returned home to Canada in 2009 I am happy to hear that Dr. Mcleod continues to enjoy success and the support of Rotarians.

I just received word from Past President Linus Aruliah that Dr. Mcleod has just completed his 16th successful mission to Jamaica (July 2014).

Dr. Dwight Mcleod is a testament to the Motto of Rotary “Service above self” his vision to create dental clinics in has become a reality. It has changed the lives of many people in Rural Jamaica who would otherwise not have had access to dental hygiene and care. It shows how powerful Rotarians can be in their international networking connections, a simple telephone call, an introduction and a dream.

I have included four reference articles below. One from 2006 (Dr. Mcleod’s annual newsletter), One from 2008 (Dr. Mcleod’s letter to the Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar), one from 2008 (Ministry of Tourism Article) and one from 2011 (Western Mirror Newspaper Article)

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Below, information from the newsletter, Dentate -



Below left - Patients waiting for dental care at Kew Park Clinic
Below right - Volunteers from the Seventh Annual Jamaica Dental Mission-July 2006



The 2007 Jamaica Dental Mission was extremely successful. Over 42 individuals participated in the mission that took place July 14-2, 2006. This was the seventh mission, resulting from a strong commitment to serve a population in need.

The group comprised faculty members, dental residents, senior dental students, general practitioners and dental specialist from private practice, and a few long-time friends/supporters of the Jamaica Dental Mission. The dental team worked out of three dental clinics simultaneously for four days.

The group worked long hours to provide well needed dental care for many underserved Jamaican Children and Adults. Our goal is always to provide as much comprehensive dental care as possible.

We have addressed many acute needs and have started to do more dental fillings, but for the first time, we were able to fabricate complete and partial dentures which restored the smile of some patients. Our plan is to be able to do more dental rehabilitation for the population that we serve but we are limited by funds to purchase the necessary dental equipment.

Below is a table illustrating the number of patients and the types and number of procedures performed.

We hope that in 2007 that we will be able to purchase the supplies and equipment that we need to do more dental fillings and to fabricate more complete and partial dentures.

We plan to restore one smile after another, thus giving our patients confidence and hope.

<i>Clinics</i>	<i>Juveniles</i>	<i>Adults</i>	<i>Total# of Patients</i>	<i>Prophies</i>	<i>Fluorides</i>	<i>S/RP*</i>	<i>Extractions</i>	<i>Fillings</i>	<i>Dentures</i>
Flankers	126	124	250	124	42	163	196	0	0
Mt Carey/ Cambridge	95	109	204	91	91	102	182	0	0
Kew Park	191	234	425	237	237	111	516	145	7
Grand Total	412	467	879	452	370	376	894	145	7

Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine Dental Students Received Funding from the Southern Illinois University EUE Grant

The annual dental mission is costly for many dental students. All volunteers, including students are responsible to pay for all associated expenses such as meals, travel, and accommodations. Even though the mission is popular among dental students, cost is often a limitation for many students who would like to participate.

Fortunately, in 2006 we were able to obtain a grant from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. The Excellence in Undergraduate Education grant provided enough funds for 15 dental student volunteers. The students were elated that they had all their expenses paid without having to borrow student loans or use their credit cards.

The Jamaica Dental Mission was incepted in 2000 with a small of group of about 19 students and clinicians. Since then, the mission has grown in popularity. In July of 2005 over 65 volunteers took part in the mission and this year we had 42 volunteers. In general, the mission offers a great experience for students.

For many, this is their first time traveling outside of the United States. They get an opportunity to experience an exciting culture while providing care to many underserved children and adults. They are exposed to the prevalence of caries, periodontitis, and other oral diseases that are evident in a developing country.

The students have great respect for the underserved population, and over the years, students who have participated in consecutive mission trips have developed friendships with the patients. This experience is great because the student gets a chance to see the results of their work and to provide continuity of care.



The students work under supervision and perform various dental treatments such as patient education/OHI, prophylaxes, fluoride treatment, dental sealants, scaling, fillings, and extractions. We treat a large number of patients during the one week visit, and as a result, the students return equipped with greater clinical skills and more confidence in interacting with patients, compared to their counterparts.

The mission serves as a wonderful opportunity for the students and the patients; the students get excellent clinical training and the patients receive free dental treatment that they would otherwise not receive.



A TRIBUTE TO LONG TIME SUPPORTERS AND FRIENDS OF THE JAMAICA DENTAL MISSION

As I reflect over what we have been doing to help the underserved individuals in Jamaica and how we will obtain our many long term goals, the most important of which is to build a modern dental clinic at Kew Park, I can't help but to think how fortunate I have been over the years.

Yes, I have been fortunate to have many long term supporters and participants. These are individuals who have dedicated their time to make a difference in the dental health of many impoverished Jamaicans. They have no family ties in Jamaica other than the compassion and love that they have for the Jamaican people.

For example, Dr. Leann Burch has been an ardent supporter of the dental mission. She participated all four years in dental school and every year since her graduation in 2004, for a total of 6 of the 7 years since the inception of the mission. Her husband, Dr. Jeffery Burch, whom she met in dental school, is a strong believer in the mission and has volunteered for 4 consecutive years.

Dr. Pradeep Bekal, one of our team leaders, has unselfishly support the mission for 4 years. Dr. Thomas Bitner, pediatric dentist, has supported the mission in many ways. Not only has he volunteered his service, but he has taken the time to sew many heavy duty duffle bags to transport supplies to Jamaica. His son Jonathan Bitner has also participated three times in the mission.

Drs. Heather Richardson and Daniel Murphy, graduate students, have been participating since they were undergraduate dental students for four and three years, respectively. They have served as excellent mentors for other students and have worked hard to meet the objectives of each mission trip.

Dr. Poonam Jain, faculty member, has helped three years in a row and is a driving force behind the goal to get more fillings done. Dr. Nathan Chapman volunteered for three years and was one of our team leaders. Dr. Derrick Frye has participated three years and has been very dedicated.

Dr. Bruce Billinger has also volunteered for three years and is making arrangements to go in 2007. Dr. Anne Steward has been very helpful during the three missions that she has served in. Dr. Marie Williams, a periodontists and a Jamaican, has volunteered three times and has been invaluable.

Dr. Candace Wakefield has supported us for one year as a student and for two years as a pediatric dentist. Dr. Yvonne McLeod has volunteered for three years and she will continue to provide her support. Ms. Marguerite Chinn, a Jamaican, has been very committed to help us meet our goals, and as a result she has participated 5 times.

Also, I am grateful to the many individuals who have served one or two years and those supporters who have helped with planning each mission trip.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

The main problem as seen in many developing countries is limited capital/resources to provide service for everyone. As we plan the next mission that is scheduled for July 12 – July 19, 2007, we would like to increase our ability to perform more simple restorations by increasing our inventory of mobile dental equipment and supplies.

We greatly rely on the generous gifts from individuals and corporations who make this mission possible. Any dentist who is interested in volunteering their time should contact Dr. Dwight E. McLeod at (618) 474-7023 or by email at dmcleod@siue.edu.

Volunteers are responsible for paying their own airfare and accommodations, which will be arranged by Dr. McLeod. Individuals who are interested in donating instruments and/or equipment should make sure that all donated items are fully functional.

Any forms of donation, cash or equipment, will be credited for tax deduction by our non-profit parent organization, the Consulate of Jamaica.

Please make your donation payable to Consulate of Jamaica and indicate Jamaica Dental Mission in the memo portion of your check. Please mail your check donation to me at Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine, 2800 College Avenue, Bldg. 285, Rm. 1104, Alton, Illinois 62002.

MANY THANKS

Individual sponsorship is vital to the success of the annual Jamaica Dental Mission. Thanks to everyone who has donated financial assistance. The 2006 Mission would not have been possible without the generous donations from the following individuals: Dr. Charmaine Edwards, Dr. Osmond Jones, Dr. Ian Jones, Dr. and Mrs. Donovan Pollack, and Dr. Karen Richardson.

Several corporations and organizations have been very supportive of the mission and I am grateful for their continued support: The corporations are Adec, American College of Dentists, Brasseler Corporation, Caribec, Crest, Direct Relief International, First Caribbean Bank, Funjet Vacations, Grace Kennedy, HuFriedy, Jamaican Consulate-Chicago, Montego Bay East Rotary Club, Oral B, Patterson Dental, Rotary Club of Savanna La Mar, Septodont, SS White Corporation, Sultan Corporation, Ultradent, and World Dental Relief.

Visiting Volunteers: I would like to personally thank the many volunteers who have donated their time and effort in participating in the 2006 mission. These volunteers have worked hard to provide well needed dental care to many underserved individuals at four different sites: Kew Park, Flankers, Mt. Carey, and Cambridge.

Many volunteers participated for the second, third, fourth time, fifth, and sixth times. On behalf of the underserved Jamaicans, I thank you so much for supporting a well needed cause. Your participation is certainly making a difference in the lives of many children and adults.

Dentists: Jorge Amarin, Thomas Bitner, Jennifer Brubaker, Jeffrey Burch, Leann Burch, Richard Davidson, Mykle Jacobs, Dwight McLeod, Yvonne McLeod, Arthur Misischia, Daniel Murphy, Elio Reyes, Heather Richardson, Staci Suggs, and Candace Wakefield.

Dental Students: Kenneth Allen, Andrea Bell, Katherine Brown, Trisha Carlin, Madalyn Davidson, Ryan Davis, Chad Drouin, Lindsay Ferrill, Brian Good, Brandon Hull, Tejas Joshi, Nunya Irvine, Michael Ruffato, Enrique Tuesta, and Kara Van Hise .

Coordinator: Ms. Marguerite Chinn and Ms. Angela Foster. **Others:** Mallory Davidson, Marilyn Davidson, Booker T. Foster, Jonathan Horsford, Craig Irvine, Mathew Mabrey, Terri Montgomery, Ahmad Polack, Kimberly Schmitz, and Whitney Wege.

Jamaican Volunteers: Mr. Al Bowen, Mr. Rohan Clarke, Ms. Una Clarke, Ms. Rosemarie Dolly, Mrs. Imogene Dower, Ms. Katie Gardener, Ms. Lorraine Grey, Mr. Tony Hemmings, Mr. Delroy James, Ms. Jacinth Spence, Mr. Leighton Spence and many other members of the Kew Park All Age School and surrounding communities.



Touch the lives of others by volunteering! It is an experience that is cherished for a lifetime!

The content of this newsletter is independent of Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine. Any questions or comments should be addressed to Dwight E. McLeod, D.D.S., M.S., Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine, 2800 College Avenue, Bldg. 285, Rm. 1104, Alton, Illinois 62002. Telephone: 618 – 474 – 7023, Fax: 618 – 474 – 7124, E-mail: dmcleod@siue.edu

July 2008 article from the Ministry of Tourism:

ONE OF THE SOIL GIVES BACK THROUGH PHILANTHROPE AND INVESTMENT

Jamaican born dentist Dr. Dwight McLeod is investing in the island's future. Associate Professor of periodontics and Department Chair at the Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine, the St. Louis resident has led an annual delegation of dentists to the island for 8 years to provide free dental services to residents of rural communities in Western Jamaica. Dr. McLeod's unbreakable bond to Jamaica has also led to a new home on the waterfront of his homeland.

Dr. Dwight McLeod explains that his inspiration to help was ignited several years ago, when he went to Nicaragua on a mission to provide free dental care in 1998. He realized that he could do the same thing in Jamaica, and organized the first mission trip to Jamaica in 1999. Dr. Dwight McLeod, who leads his mission team to Jamaica every July;- "That first year, I gave my word that I would return, and I will ensure that the annual missions continue as long as I am able."

Since the inception of the program, over 5,500 Jamaicans have received free medical dental care at a combined value of approximately US\$3.6 million dollars. "This figure does not include the work done on this year's mission trip," he adds. Says Dr. Dwight McLeod; "I love and care for Jamaica with a passion, even after being away for almost 30 years. I see a great need for dental care here, and I'm thrilled to be able to give back in a way that helps improve the quality of life of my fellow Jamaicans."



SUCCESS OF THE HUMANITARIAN MISSION

What is today a very successful dental mission, did not come about without a few bumps in the road. Still, with each year it has gotten easier and easier," the US based dentist points out. We have established an excellent rapport with key members from the local Rotary Clubs. The Montego Bay East Rotary Club and the Savanna La Mar Rotary Club provide tremendous local support to make sure that each mission trip operates smoothly and is successful. I am grateful to have their support. Both clubs do a lot of good service for many Jamaicans, says Dr. McLeod."

According to Mr. Haresh Ramchandani, Assistant Governor of Rotary Jamaica West, The Montego Bay East Rotary Club has given invaluable assistance with the practical and logistical aspect of the mission. "We have taken over the task of submitting the paper work to the Ministry of Health and The Ministry of Finance, procuring all the necessary approvals and permits," says Mr. Ramchandani. "We also provide transportation and aid to the various clinics in Montego Bay." The local Rotary Clubs also secure locations for the free clinics, ensure that the local communities know about dates and venues and provide access to emergency medical assistance as needed.

For the last two years, First Caribbean Bank, through its Corporate Social Responsibility programme, has been assisting with transportation to Kew Park All Age School, the site of the mission's largest dental clinic. Says Dr. McLeod; "I was raised in an impoverished family in Cedar Grove, 4 miles from Rat Trap, the little community where Kew Park All Age School is situated." This sentimental notion fueled the decision to target his hometown and its environs. "Most of the people living there are quite poor, but I prize the community and cherish the time I lived there. As a son of this area I want to give back. Eventually I would like to build a modern health center/dental clinic in the Kew Park area," he explains.

"When we come to Rat Trap, we draw a lot of people from the nearby Parishes of St. Elizabeth, St. James, St. Ann, Hanover and even St. Catherine," says Dr. McLeod. "The word is getting out and we like that, because when we are here, we want to accomplish and as much as we can." The mission leader explains that the delegation typically works until the last patient has been seen to. "We have treated numerous patients, both children and adults, who have been suffering from dental pain for months," says the US based dentist. "It is not unusual for us to work until 8:00 or 10:00 o'clock at night. We hate to leave anyone untreated and I am glad that we can draw on so many volunteers, who are able to donate their time and share in this goal," he explains.

The 2007 mission team consisted of 62 volunteers, including 21 senior dental students. The team includes some graduate students in Dr. McLeod's area of specialty; periodontics, and is completed by other dentists in private practice, specialists, and faculty members from the Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine. "I am so grateful and indebted to our volunteers, locally and abroad. Without their commitment and diligence, the annual dental mission would not be possible. I am glad I have their support, especially those Jamaicans that consistently donate their time to help us at each clinic and are just as glad to see us each year as we are to see

them. "I am proud of being Jamaican and I am committed to continue to do my share to help make Jamaica a better place to live," says Dr. McLeod.

He is married to Dr. Karen Richardson who is also a Jamaican and a big supporter of the annual dental mission. The couple have four children.

July 16, 2011: Article from the Jamaican Western Mirror Newspaper.

A 40-foot container of dental equipment and supplies valued at US\$185,000 arrived in Montego Bay recently earmarked for the Flanker, Cambridge and Kew Park Health Centres.

Thanks to the generosity of the Rotary Clubs of Montego Bay East and Savanna-la-Mar along with Tuscola Rotary and several other Rotary Clubs in the US in collaboration with the Jamaica Dental Mission which sourced the goods. Food For The Poor is responsible for receiving and delivering the container once it arrived in Jamaica.

The shipment contained 25 dental chairs, sterilizers, generators, panoramic radiographic unit and x-ray developing machines, stools, cabinets, dollies, dental floss, seven pallets of school books and other miscellaneous items.

The Jamaica Dental Mission is the brainchild of Dr. Dwight McLeod, a Jamaican from the Kew Park community who currently resides, practices and teaches dentistry in Missouri, USA. His passion and commitment to improving the dental health of Jamaicans by conducting these clinics is enjoying its twelfth year operating in Jamaica. He has tried operating from several different locations but now has finally found a niche at Flankers and Cambridge in St. James and Kew Park in Westmoreland.

At left - Pictured in the trailer after an inspection of the items are Dr. Richard Davidson - Tuscola Rotary Club, Winsome Stewart - Rotary Club of Montego Bay East, Dr. Dwight McLeod - Director Jamaica Dental Mission, Tony Jones - Rotary Club of Montego, Linus Aruliah - Rotary Club of Savanna-la-mar

The project has made a very valuable contribution to the health and well-being of the citizens of these communities who anxiously anticipate its arrival annually. Each year, between 63-75 dental students, pharmacy and dental faculty, and students from Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine, and other dental surgeons and medical volunteers come to St. James for a week and tirelessly conduct a 4-day clinic at these sites. 150-200 patients are treated daily at each clinic.

Originally, the focus was primarily extractions and cleaning, but yearly addition of new equipment, more restorative dental work have been done

including fillings and partial dentures. Eventually, the goal is to include full dentures and root canal.

At left - - Kew Park Dental Clinic July 2007 Westmoreland – Inside the Kew Park Basic School.

While Dr. McLeod concentrates on the outfitting of the clinics, his close friend and volunteer, Dr. Richard Davidson from Tuscola Rotary, concentrates on identifying financing through the Rotary Foundation Matching Grant Fund. The two doctors are currently in Jamaica ensuring that the equipment and supplies are in place and in good working condition to facilitate the start of the clinics at the three sites simultaneously come July 20-23, 2011

See an updated 2014 story below – RC of Montego Bay East



ROTARY CLUB OF MONTEGO BAY EAST

...submitted by Giovanna Allella, Director of Public Relations

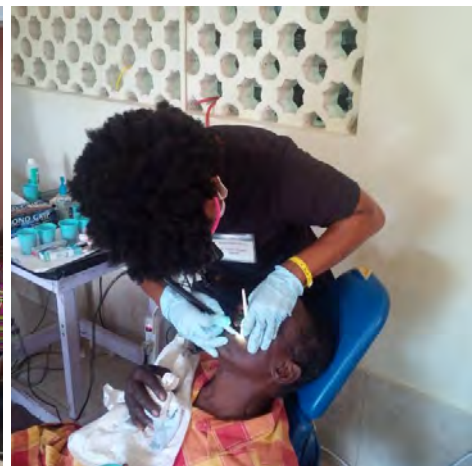
A great smile gives confidence, Humanitarian Dental Mission a Raving Success

This year marks 15 years since the Jamaica Dental Mission led by Drs. Dwight Mcleod and Richard Davidson has been visiting and treating the underserved children in the communities of Flankers, Cambridge in St. James and Kew Park in Westmoreland.

From July 13 to 16, over 60 dental students, including dental and pharmaceutical technicians treated over 1,000 patients for various ailments including restorative and preventative care – cleanings, fillings, extractions, fluoride treatments, dental sealants along with providing health care information and tips on getting and maintaining good oral hygiene. For the first time this year, we also saw the team doing its first root canal treatment.

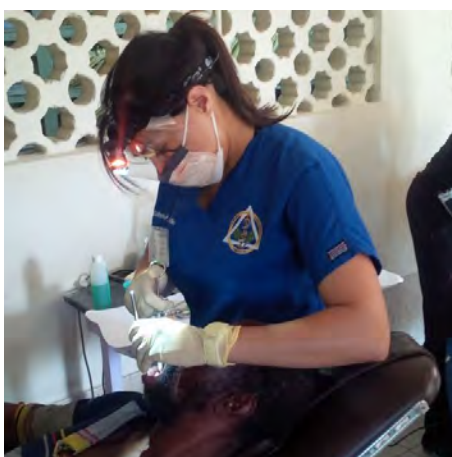
Residents of these communities were elated and grateful, having benefitted from a week of free dental services. Many left with great smiles and feeling confident.

At a recent Meeting of The Rotary Club of Montego Bay East, Dr. McLeod expressed his sincere appreciation to all the volunteers for embracing the humanitarian cause of giving and sharing. He also thanked The Rotary Club Of Montego Bay East and Rotary Club of Savanna La Mar for providing tremendous local support to make sure that each mission trip operates smoothly and is a raving success.



Above left - There was a large turn-out of patients at all three Clinics in Kew Park, Flankers and Cambridge.

Above right and below left – Volunteers.



Rightmost Photo - At the recent Rotary Meeting of Montego bay East, Dr. McLeod expressed his sincere appreciation to all the volunteers for embracing the humanitarian cause of giving and sharing

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARTIN

Community and Business Leader Awarded Rotary's Top Honours

CIBC's Robert Judd named Rotarian of the Year and a Paul Harris Fellow

PHILIPSBURG, SINT MAARTEN – July 2, 2014 – The Rotary Club of St. Maarten named CIBC First Caribbean Head, Robert Judd, as Rotarian of the Year for 2013/14. He was also named a Paul Harris Fellow at the Club's recent Change of Board ceremony at the Belair Community Center.

Judd stepped in to serve as President of the Rotary Club of St Maarten in the 2012/13 year when the president at the time was transferred off island to another work post. Like many of his fellow Rotarians, he exemplifies Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self" and has been a core member and leader in the club. Key projects that he has worked on include: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, special recognition events for the island's caregivers, weekend youth leadership training sessions and a very successful car raffle fundraiser. He was also recently member of the Rotary Day team at the 7th Annual Taste of St Maarten held at Topper's Restaurant in Simpson Bay.



"Robert exemplifies the ideal Rotarian – one who believes in both fellowship and giving back to the community. Whether it involves taking attendance at a meeting, writing our club newsletter, raising funds or sorting out accounting matters, the man has such a generous heart and a hard time saying "NO" when asked to serve. It is for this reason there is no doubt why Past President Robert Judd is Rotarian of Year for our Club" said Maria Buncamper-Molanus, immediate past president of the Rotary Club of St. Maarten.

At left – Robert Judd and Maria Buncamper-Molanus

At the Change of Board ceremony, he was also awarded a Paul Harris Fellow. This Fellowship is named for Paul Harris, who founded Rotary over 100 years ago. The Fellowship was established in his honor in 1957 to express appreciation and recognition for a monetary contribution to the Rotary Foundation.

A Paul Harris Fellow is a Club or an individual who contributes \$1,000 US OR in whose name that amount is contributed. Every Paul Harris Fellow receives a pin, medallion and a certificate when he or she becomes a Fellow which identifies them as an advocate of the Foundation's goals of world peace and international understanding.

There are well over 950,000 PH Fellows worldwide and include such notables as Mother Theresa, Nelson Mandela, Kofi Anann, Prince Charles, Indira Gandhi, Luciano Pavarotti, King Hussein of Jordan and Pope John Paul II.

- #1 Give up your need to always be right.
- #2 Give up on blame and self-defeating talk.
- #3 Give up on complaining.
- #4 Give up your need to impress others.
- #5 Give up labels.
- #6 Give up your past and attachment.
- #7 Give up living your life to other people's expectations.

Enjoy your week.

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. JOHN, USVI



Ten St. John Rotarians and five St. Thomas Rotarians joined as many visitors to congratulate Alecia on the honor.

Wonderful drinks and appetizers were served while we all watched the boats bobbing in Great Cruz Bay as twilight faded into night. ADG Mike installed President Alecia and then inducted Stephanie as our newest member.

Frances the Rotary mascot jumped through the hula hoop. Ronnie Lockhart tested BJ's shiny new railings. And everyone enjoyed the fellowship. Alecia's son DeJongh took great pictures that you can see at

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/syy2dyu0quohqtz/AABqTJtRuv8L8t2AGLD7zXWaa>

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS, USVI

...submitted by Paul Doumeng

Hello Friends of Rotary

Bolongo Bay hosted a fund-raiser recently for Miss Virgin Islands, Ashley Gabriel. Ms. Gabriel works as a hostess at the Lobster Grille.

The club hosted a special three-course price fixed dinner for \$65. They also had donated wines to sell by the glass and bottle. The club donated 100% of the proceeds from both the special dinner menu and wine sales to afford Ms. Gabriel the ability to attend the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City, N.J. in September.

Yours in Rotary
Paul Doumeng
Rotary Club of St. Thomas



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towards sending
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ROTARY CLUB OF ELEUTHERA, BAHAMAS

HARD WORK AND AWESOME FELLOWSHIP PLANNED FOR 2014/15 - ROTARY CLUB OF ELEUTHER



ROTARY CLUB OF KINGSTON EAST AND PORT ROYAL

July 1 – 15 years





THE ROTARACT CORNER

WHAT IS ROTARACT?

Rotaract is a club for adults ages 18-30 that meets twice a month to exchange ideas, plan activities and projects, and socialize. While Rotary clubs serve as sponsors, Rotaract clubs decide how to organize and run their club and what projects and activities to carry out.

First official visit to RC Thomas II

...submitted by DRR Elisia Lake

Whoever said that small clubs are weak clubs lied! Rotaract Club of St. Thomas II is a perfect example.

With a few members, this club has the passion for service! They are hyped for this year and I also want you to encourage them to keep up the good work. What an awesome first official visit I had.



I was able to share my goals and expectations for the year, explain the district project, share ideas with them and encourage them to be the change their community needs.

I also conducted a mini quiz where my aim in visits is to educate Rotaractors more about this organization, and to bring them back to the place as to why they joined Rotaract.

Having the AG for USVI and the President of the Rotary Club of St. Thomas in attendance shows their interest in the betterment of this club and continued relationship and transition to Rotary. The fire in their eyes is blazing, and I support RC of St. Thomas II!

Expect greater things from them!



Official Visit to Tortola



I met with the board of the Rotaract Club of Tortola. From the time I walked up the stairs of the restaurant and saw them all on time and dressed in their district shirt; I knew that this would be a meeting to remember.

President Jevaughn had a packed agenda as each club director shared their plans for this year. What touched me the most is while they were talking, I saw the passion in their eyes and the drive in their voices and this is what we need from every director in order for a club to run smoothly.

I discussed my expectations of them of which they gladly accepted and will try their utmost best to achieve. We also talked about challenges that they are facing and I gave strategies to them as to how the issues can be resolved. This club never ceases to amaze me and I know with a dynamic board and passionate board members; superb things will be coming from the Rotaract Club of Tortola this year.

Much success to you the board and your members.
YOU GUYS ROCK!!



Visit to Rotaract Club of UVI



Here are photos of the Rotaract Club of UVI.

Plans for a successful year is off to a great start!!



SMILE

Little Johnny's kindergarten class was on a field trip to their local police station where they saw pictures, tacked to a bulletin board, of the 10 most wanted criminals. One of the youngsters pointed to a picture and asked if it really was the photo of a wanted person.

"Yes," said the policeman. "The detectives want very badly to capture him."

Little Johnny asked, "Why didn't you keep him when you took his picture?"

ROTARY FUND-RAISING

A doctor, lawyer, and a Rotarian in charge of fundraising all die and arrive at the Pearly Gates about the same time. St. Peter tells them they may each have one thing to take with them to Heaven.

The doctor is first, and asks for \$1 million. This is given and proceeds to enter Heaven. The lawyer, not to be outdone, asks for \$2 million. "Very well," say St. Peter and opens the gate to Heaven for the lawyer.

Finally it is time for the Rotarian, who had just finished a fundraising project for The Rotary Foundation. St. Peter asks him what he would like to take to Heaven. The fundraiser moves up very close to St. Peter, and in a soft voice asks, "It it's not too much trouble, could I just have the names of those two people who were ahead of me in line?"





THE INTERACT CORNER

Interact is a club for young people ages 12-18 who want to join together to tackle the issues in their community that they care most about. Through Interact, you can:

- Carry out hands-on service projects
- Make international connections
- Develop leadership skills
- Have fun!

SUNDIAL INTERACT INDUCTION – SAINT MARTIN SUNRISE

...submitted by IPP Angela Gordon

It gives me great pleasure to welcome and induct in the Rotary family charter members of the Interact club of sundial school, as we continue inspiring our youth to make positive decisions for healthy and successful Lives.



Since its earliest days, Rotary has been committed to helping children in need. But in 1960, the organization took a new approach to youth service.

Recognizing the untapped potential of young men and women, RI President Harold T. Thomas urged Rotary clubs around the world to find ways to encourage service among youth, foster their active interest in the community, and offer opportunities for them to develop as leaders.

Two years later, 23 students at Melbourne High School in Melbourne, Florida, USA, came together to form the first Interact club. Now, were not just helping youth but empowering them to serve locally and internationally with their Rotary club sponsors.

Ever since, thousands of communities around the world have benefited from the service of Interact clubs. Interactors have discovered programs that offer fun, meaningful service activities while providing a chance to develop leadership skills and meet new friends. In turn, sponsor Rotary clubs have gained increased support for projects and fresh ideas for service while helping to develop future Rotarians.



Joining in this truly international phenomenon, the Interact club of Sundial school was the inspiration of Past President Bernadette Davis and Rotarian Jacky Morris,

To the Interact Club of Sundial School. We believe you will uphold the high moral and ethical standards of your club, and that you will give the best of your executive ability to the furtherance of the interest of your Interact club, and the carrying forward of the Object of Rotary.

Membership in Interact is an honour and a privilege with corresponding duties and obligations, including service to your club, school, and



community. You will be expected to participate in multiple levels of service, and to attend this club's meetings regularly.

Above left - New Generations Chair: Paula Gordon, IPP Angela Gordon, PP Marcellia Henry. **Above right** - Director of Sundial High: Mr. Wim De Visser, School/Interact Adviser; Mr. Seon France, School/Interact Adviser Mrs. Wendy Stein and IPP Angela Gordon



With over 300,000 Interactors in 13,000 Interact Clubs around the world you are members of a worldwide elite group of teens that represent the best of the youth in their respective communities, and countries.

At left - President: Dr. Virginia Asin, Club Service Agnes Kapoor, PP Bernadette Davis, PP Marcellia Henry

Since you will be the charter officers of your club, you are setting the example for all of those that will follow in your footsteps your school and community, will know and judge Interact by your actions. Interact is like everything else - you get out of it what you put into it.

As a member of the "Family of Rotary, Interact officers, and members, you are encouraged to foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy

enterprise:

I charge each of you to judge yourself by Rotary's motto, "Service above Self" and the Rotary Four-Way Test.

INTERACT CLUB OF ST. DOMINIC HIGHSCHOOL RAISED FUNDS TO END POLIO

...submitted by Veronica Jansen

Rotary International is dedicated to Ending Polio from this World. Rotary members Worldwide have persevered in this fight since 1979 and have helped Eradicate Polio in all but three countries Worldwide.



Interact club of St Dominic has recently joined in this fight and has raised funds for Polio via the World's Greatest Meal to End Polio.

For more information on how you can help Rotary to fight against Polio please email us at rotarysxm.mi@gmail.com.

At left - Interactors Ajay - Neha and Siddharth along with Rotarian Ramesh, the district coordinator for End Polio via World's Greatest Meal.



In case you missed it...

Final message from now Past District Governor Jeremy!

Fellow District 7020 Rotarians and Family of Rotary,

Michelle and I would like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the tremendous support you gave us, the District, the Rotary Foundation and most of all your clubs and your communities this year, as we "Engaged Rotary and Changed Lives".

It has been a tremendous year and I believe in almost all cases our clubs have become stronger, which was my primary goal. I want to in particular thank the First Class of Presidents, the District's excellent AG team and Leadership team and everyone at club and district level who in their own way has placed Service above Self once again.

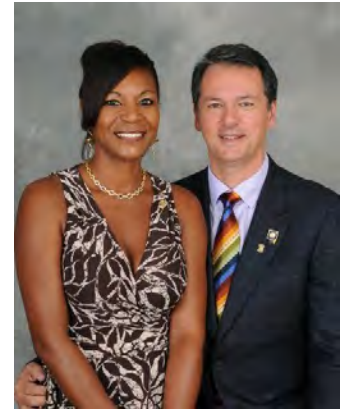
DG Paul has asked that I stay involved at District level by continuing to coordinate the Haiti National Water Project, the Gift of Life programme and to promote and further develop the Project Portal for International Partnerships. I promise him my full support in this regard.

In addition I've been invited to take on an ARC Role at Zone level to provide support at District level on Membership, Strengthening Clubs and Planning which I've agreed to also.

We have a tremendous district and I know under DG Paul and First Lady Kay we will go to strength to strength during 2014-15 as we Light Up Rotary. Let's get fully behind him and our new leadership teams as we do just that!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Jeremy (and Michelle)
District 7020 Governor 2013-14



Rotariens de district 7020 et la Famille du Rotary,

Michelle et je tiens à vous remercier du fond du cœur pour l'énorme soutien que vous nous, le district, la Fondation Rotary et la plupart de tous vos clubs et vos communautés cette année donnée, que nous "Agir avec le Rotary - Changer des Vies".

Il a été une année extraordinaire et je crois que dans presque tous les cas, nos clubs sont devenus plus forts, ce qui était mon objectif principal. Je veux en particulier remercier la Première Classe des présidents, une excellente équipe de AG du district et l'équipe de direction et tout le monde au club et au niveau du district qui, à leur manière a placé Servir d'Abord une fois de plus.

DG Paul a demandé que je reste impliqué au niveau du district en continuant à coordonner le projet national de l'eau en Haïti, le cadeau de programme de vie et de promouvoir et de développer le portail du projet pour les partenariats internationaux. Je lui promets mon soutien à cet égard.

En outre, j'ai été invité à jouer un rôle au niveau de l'ARC Zone de fournir un appui au niveau du district sur les Membres, Clubs renforcement et de la planification que j'ai accepté de également.

Nous avons un énorme quartier et je sais que la DG Paul et la Première Dame Kay, nous irons à la force à la force au cours de 2014-15 que nous s'allument Rotary. Soyons entièrement derrière lui et nos nouvelles équipes de leadership comme nous le faisons juste cela! Votre en service Rotary,

Jeremy (et Michelle)
District 7020 Gouverneur 2013-14

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