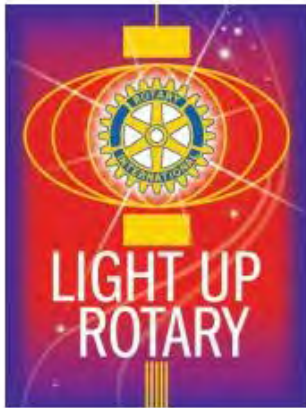


# Rotary District 7020 Newsletter



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District 7020 Governor, Paul Brown (Jamaica)*

## DECEMBER 2014



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



*Newsletter Editor – Kitty Bucsko*

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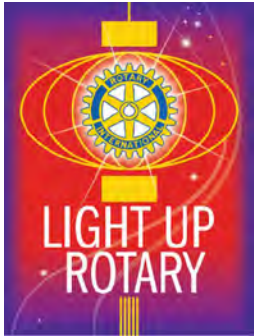
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## ***DECEMBER MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2014-15) PAUL BROWN***

Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Family of Rotary

Over the last five months, Kay and I have been making our visits across the District, and throughout the time, as we go, everywhere we go, we have been exposed to such warmth and kindness. We thank you for your expressions of caring and we will always cherish these rich experiences.



As it has been over preceding months, we continued with visits to the Rotary Clubs in British Virgin Islands and The Bahamas during the month of November. This has brought our total number of Clubs visited for the year to 68. As it has been previously, we took the opportunity to also include our Rotaractors, Inter-actors and our “new kids on the block,” our Early-actors. We continue to be impressed with all the amazing projects and work undertaken by all the Clubs. So much thought and empathy have been displayed by our Rotarians and our Youth Service groups as they execute these projects. I feel so proud to be a member of this wonderful District. Congratulations to all for this noble effort.



Fellow Rotarians, during this month, I would like to encourage you to focus on our very important Family of Rotary. During this month, I ask all Rotarians to stop and think about who constitutes the Family. While doing so, please seize the opportunity to embrace them. But who makes up our Family? I often think of the Family as having two distinct groups of persons. One, I refer to as our Internal Family and that is made up of our own Rotarians, both home and abroad, our Youth groups of Rotaractors, Inter-actors and Early-actors. Also included in that group are our Rotary Alumni and our Community Corp and/or Friends of Rotary as we often refer to them.. Fellow Rotarians, we do have a large family, and it is so necessary to focus our minds for a while on the well-being of this group. Now more than any other time, we must seek to express our appreciation of each other and whilst doing so, improve our bonding and support of each other.

The other group we must not lose sight of is the Family of communities in which we do our work. This month. I encourage Rotarians to show our beneficiaries how much we appreciate them. If you have not yet done so, here is an opportunity to hold a “Rotary Day Event” in your respective communities, and show them how much we appreciate them. It presents us with an opportunity to show who we are and what our philosophy is. It may also be an opportunity to welcome some more like-minded individuals to come and join with us as we serve our communities.

So how have we been doing over the last five months? From where I stand, I would say that we are not doing badly at all! You all must commend yourselves for all the effort that has been shown so far. We have halted the slide in membership and so far for the year we have added another 64 new Rotarians to our ranks. It may seem a small step, but it is significant when we consider that we lost 90 members last year. Whatever we are doing, we must keep this up and continue to grow back to where we were two years ago. It is early days, but we are looking at introducing a few more Clubs in the District before the year is completed and you will hear more about that.

Our performances in donations to the Rotary Foundation are keeping pace with what we did last year and we are hopeful that, with your effort and support, we will make our targets. Certainly I would encourage all clubs to give to the Foundation and maintain the achievement we had last year where every Club contributed to the Fund.

I encourage our Clubs to ensure that they meet their targets set at the beginning of the year with respect to giving service and completing projects. I must also compliment all our Rotary Clubs who do such good work with our Youth Service arm. We continue to do well in this area and we have seen significant interest being displayed amongst our Clubs in the area of Early-act. We are truly *Lighting up Rotary*, and we must continue to do so in the second half of the year. Whilst doing so, let us Inspire our Youth and build our Rotary movement.

Lastly, Kay and I wish you all a joyous Christmas, embracing your close family circles, and at the same time, share a moment of fellowship with your extended Rotary Family. Let us spare a moment to look back on our achievements for the past year and celebrate those achievements. Let us also look forward to the year to come, embrace its challenges and hopefully produce significant achievements, ones which we can all be proud of as we render Service above Self. A very merry Xmas to you and yours!

*Paul Brown, District 7020 Governor (2014-15)*

## DG'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE AROUND D7020



### TRAVEL - DECEMBER 2014

Fly to St Croix		Saturday December 6, 2014
St Croix, USVI	Deborah Howell	
Saint Croix West		Callwood-Smith, Susanna
Saint Croix Mid-Isle		Adrienne Seward
Saint Croix Harborside		Benjamin Mishila
Saint Croix		Langella, Christopher
Return to Jamaica		Saturday December 13, 2014



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 RIPN John Germ with the class of 2016-17!!! Can you find our D7020 represented?

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## ABCs OF ROTARY



*Cliff Dochterman  
RI President 1992-93*

### **ROOM 711 – ROTARY’S BIRTHPLACE**

The number seven-eleven has a very special significance for Rotary. Room 711 of the old Unity Building, formerly located at 127 North Dearborn Street in downtown Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., was the birthplace of Rotary International. That historic room, which was the office of engineer Gus Loehr, was the location of that first meeting when Paul Harris met with several friends to discuss his new idea of a club for professionals and businessmen.

It took extensive research and dedication by a few Chicago Rotarians to preserve the room and restore it to its 1905 authenticity.

For years, Room 711 was preserved as a miniature Rotary museum by Rotarians around the world who voluntarily belonged to and contributed annually to the “Paul Harris 711 Club,” which provided funds for leasing, maintenance and preservation.

In 1989, the Unity Building was about to be torn down. Members of the 711 Club carefully dismantled the landmark room and placed its contents in storage. There it stayed until 1994, when the recreated Room 711 found a permanent home, and this piece of the Rotary heritage is preserved at the RI World Headquarters in Evanston.

### **TOLERANCE OF DIFFERENCES**

Occasionally, there is a temptation to criticize the laws, customs and traditions of another country which may seem strange or contrary to our own. In some instances, illegal practices or customs of one nation are completely lawful and acceptable in another.

*As members of an international organization dedicated to world understanding and peace, it behooves Rotarians to exercise restraint in judging our Rotary friends and citizens from other countries when their behaviour seems unusual to us.*

A Rotary policy has existed for more than half a century relating to this dilemma of international relationships.

The statement, adopted in 1933, says that because it is recognized that some activities and local customs may be legal and customary in some countries and not in others, Rotarians should be guided by this admonition of tolerance:

“Rotarians in all countries should recognize these facts and there should be a thoughtful avoidance of criticism of the laws and customs of one country by the Rotarians of another country.” The policy also cautions against “any effort on the part of Rotarians of one country to interfere with the laws or customs of another country.”

*As we strive to strengthen the bonds of understanding, goodwill and friendship, these policies still provide good advice and guidance.*

### **WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH - FEBRUARY**

The month of February (as it approaches) is very special in the Rotary calendar since it is designated World Understanding Month. The month also includes the anniversary of the first meeting of Rotary held on February 23, 1905, now designated World Understanding and Peace Day.

In designating World Understanding Month, the Rotary International board asks all Rotary clubs to plan programs for their weekly meetings and undertake special activities to emphasize *“understanding and goodwill as essential for world peace.”*

To observe this designated month, many clubs arrange international speakers, invite youth exchange students and international scholars from schools and universities to club meetings, plan programs featuring former Group Study Exchange team members, arrange discussions on international issues, present entertainment with an international cultural or artistic theme and schedule other programs with an international emphasis.

Many clubs take the opportunity to launch an international community service activity or make contact with a Rotary club in another country. It is a good month to initiate a Rotary Fellowship Exchange, a humanitarian project, or to encourage support for PolioPlus and other Rotary Foundation programs.

World Understanding Month is a chance for every club to pause, plan, and promote the Fourth Avenue of Service – Rotary's continued quest for goodwill, peace, and understanding among people of the world.

### ***THE FOUR-WAY TEST*** *(A repeat, but always necessary!)*

One of the most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethics in the world is the Rotary "4-Way Test." It was created by Rotarian Herbert J. Taylor in 1932 when he was asked to take charge of the Chicago-based Club Aluminum Company, which was facing bankruptcy.

Taylor looked for a way to save the struggling company mired in depression-caused financial difficulties. He drew up a 24-word code of ethics for all employees to follow in their business and professional lives. The 4-Way Test became the guide for sales, production, advertising and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company was credited to this simple philosophy.

Herb Taylor became president of Rotary International during 1954-55. The 4-Way Test was adopted by Rotary in 1943 and has been translated into more than 100 languages and published in thousands of ways. The message should be known and followed by all Rotarians.

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

### ***THE CLASSIFICATION PRINCIPLE***

Virtually all membership in Rotary is based upon a "classification." Basically, a classification describes the distinct and recognized business or professional service which the Rotarian renders to society.

The principle of Rotary classification is somewhat more specific and precise. In determining the classification of a Rotarian, it is necessary to look at the "principal or recognized business or professional activity of the firm, company or institution" with which an active member is connected or "that which covers his principal and recognized business or professional activity."

It should be clearly understood that classifications are determined by activities or services to society rather than by the position held by a particular individual. In other words, if a person is the president of a bank, he or she is not classified as "bank president" but under the classification "banking."

It is the principal and recognized activity of a business or professional establishment or the individual's principal and recognized business or professional activity that determines the classification to be established and loaned to a qualified person. For example, the permanently employed electrical engineer, insurance adjuster, or business manager of a railroad company, mining company, manufacturing concern, hospital, clinic, etc., may be considered for membership as a representative of the particular work he or she may be doing personally or as a representative of the firm, company, or institution for which the professional service is being done.

The classification principle also permits business and industries to be separated into distinct functions such as manufacturing, distributing, retailing and servicing. Classifications may also be specified as distinct and independent divisions of a large corporation or university within the club's territory, such as a school of business or a school of engineering

The classification principle is a necessary concept in assuring that each Rotary club represents a cross-section of the business and professional service of the community.

## ***DG PAUL VISITED ST. MARTIN/ST. MAARTEN & NASSAU***

Below is a group photo of the Sint Maarten Mid-Isle board with DG Paul Brown and wife, Kay.



*President Wayne, PP Ramesh, PAG Louis, Tony, Russel, PAG Jim, Mrs. Kay Brown, DG Paul Brown, Veronica, PP Jon, Peter.*

***Below** - DG Paul Brown and wife Kay visit the Rotary Club of Nassau Sunrise.*



*At left – President Elect Alanna McCartney and President Errol Bodie of Nassau Sunrise, Mrs. Kay Brown, DG Paul Brown, AG Karen Pinder and DGE Felix Stubbs.*

Do you know who is the R.I.P.E.?  
(Rotary International President-Elect)

K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran  
President 2015-16  
Rotary Club of Colombo  
Sri Lanka

*We hope this Christmas enriches your life;  
May each day be happy and bright.  
Overflowing with pleasure and love;  
May your Christmas be filled with delight.*

## *District Governor Nomination and Election Process*

Our District Nominating Committee has voted and recommended Past Assistant Governor Robert Leger from the Rotary Club of Les Cayes to be the District Governor of District 7020 for the 2017-18 Rotary year.

In accordance with Rotary International By-Laws, every club that nominated a Candidate has the right to challenge that nomination by December 6, 2014 in accordance with the Nomination and Election Process.

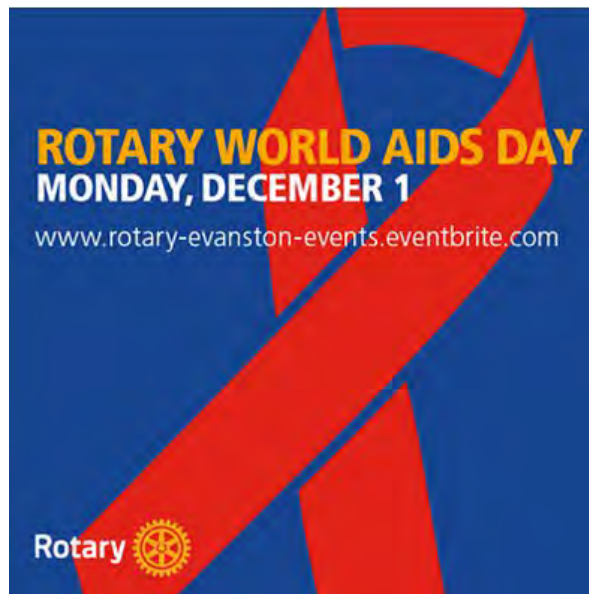
If there are no challenges by December 6, 2014, I shall declare Past Assistant Governor Robert Leger to be the Governor Nominee for District 7020, 2017- 2018 (13.020.10 of the RI By-Laws).



*PAG Robert Leger*

Yours in Rotary Service,

Paul Brown  
Governor



*Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.*

*.. John Wesley*



## FAMILY AND WELLNESS CORNER



Dear Rotary Family of District 7020,

I hope this message finds you and your family well. **December is Family of Rotary month!!!** I have been thinking a lot about family recently... it is my role, you say? Well, that too!

### WHO IS MY FAMILY?

Like "who is my neighbour", consider "who's family"?

Reflect on the graphics in the text below:



Carla Card-Stubbs

Family isn't always blood. It's the people in your life who want you in theirs; the ones who accept you for who you are. The ones who would do anything to see you smile & who LOVE YOU no matter what.

Family is a connection, a true bond, a place of belonging. In November, DGE Felix and I spent a week in Asheville with Rotarians from all over Zones 33 and 34. There we met up with counterparts from our beloved District 7020. And you know what, it felt like being with "family" - there is a connection, a closeness, an understanding and a common goal that unites us. So for Thanksgiving, I gave thanks for my Rotary family.

### DECEMBER - CELEBRATE FAMILY

I hope you have made many plans to acknowledge family in December. In Rotary, family includes not just family of Rotarians but Rotary-related groups e.g. EarlyAct, Interact, Rotaract and Inner Wheel. The family also includes those who help us to make a difference in the Community.

There are those persons who would have lost loved ones along the way and so Christmas may be a difficult time for them. What are your plans to celebrate and acknowledge and support family this December?

Some ideas are:

1. Send Thank you and Christmas cards to everyone who helped you to "Light Up Rotary" so far this year. Send Christmas cards to have functions to host some of your beneficiaries who are "extended family" - such as residents in a senior citizens home or children of a community or orphanage.
2. Reach out to persons who have lost loved ones - this may be the immediate family of Rotarians or club friends who died during the year. Did persons, including Rotarians, lose their jobs or lost family due to divorce or migration. What can your club do to acknowledge them this December?
3. Celebrate! Are there newborns in your club? How about celebrating baby's first Christmas?
4. Invite family and friends (spouses/partners, children or parent) of a Rotarian to address the club in December. Invite them as a guest speaker and/or as special guests at a club meeting.
5. Will your December celebrations include a club social? I hope so. Do a special acknowledgment of family at the social. Maybe trinkets for the children? Cards for the adults?



6. Induct a family member of a Rotarian into your club.
7. Make a pact, as a Rotarian, to thank your immediate family in standing beside you to render Service Above Self. They support you in your activities and sometimes it will not be easy. Acknowledge them.

"A man should never neglect his family for business." -- Walt Disney

And as Rotarians, we should never forget to thank our extended family. They make what we do possible.

Lastly, Rotary service is so meaningful, we must make sure that we share what we do with family members.

RI President Gary Huang reminds us in his December message,

*"I can think of no better lessons to teach our families than the lessons of Rotary service.....I hope that in this Rotary year, many of you will encourage your family members to join Rotary, Rotaract, or Interact. Bringing your family into Rotary doesn't just Light Up Rotary – it lights up your own lives as well."*

To you my 7020 family, I send you warmest greetings at this year's end. Thank you for all that you do. I wish you continued success in your personal life and your Rotary life in 2015.

Please send me information on what you did during December. Send pictures!

LET'S GO LIGHT UP ROTARY AND DISTRICT 7020!!

Carla, Rotary D7020 Family of Wellness Chair

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What did Father Christmas say to his wife when he looked out of the window?  
-- Looks like reindeer

What did Adam say on the day before Christmas?  
-- It's Christmas, Eve

What happens if you eat too many Christmas decorations?  
You get tinsel-itis.

## SOME COMMON ROTARY ACRONYMS

...contributed by PDG Diana White

AG	Assistant Governor
COL	Council on Legislation - <i>held every 3 years, Rotary's Parliament</i>
DDF	District Designated Funds – <i>Rotary Foundation funds managed by district</i>
DG	District Governor
DGE	District Governor Elect
DGN	District Governor Nominee
DRFC	District Rotary Foundation Committee
DRR	District Rotaract Representative
ADDR	Assistant District Rotaract Representative
EMGA	Endowment Major Gift Advisor – <i>Foundation appointment works in zone</i>
EREY	Every Rotarian Every Year - <i>annual gift to The Rotary Foundation</i>
GETS	Governor Elect Training Seminar – <i>yes Governors are trained</i>
MOP	Manual of Procedure - <i>Rotary policy, constitution and bylaws</i>
NID	National Immunization Day - <i>mass polio vaccination days</i>
PDG	Past District Governor
PE	President Elect
PETS	President Elect Training Seminar
PHF	Paul Harris Fellow
PHS	Paul Harris Society – <i>members pledge US\$1000 a year to Rotary Foundation</i>
PI	Public Image
PP	Past President
RAG	Rotarian Action Group - <i>experts in an area, such as AIDS, water, malaria, etc.</i>
RC	Rotary Club
RC	Rotary Coordinator – <i>works in a zone on membership &amp; Rotary programs</i>
RDU	Rotary Down Under – <i>Australia, New Zealand &amp; Pacific Islands</i>
RI	Rotary International
RIBI	Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland
RID	Rotary International Director – <i>member of RI board</i>
RINO	Rotary in name only – <i>a disparaging term for a not very active Rotarian</i>
RIP	Rotary International President
RIPE	Rotary International President-Elect
RIPN	Rotary International President-Nominee
RITS	Rotary International Travel Service
RLI	Rotary Leadership Institute
ROTEX	Returned Youth Exchange Students or rebound YE
RPC	Rotary Peace Center
RPIC	Rotary Public Image Coordinator – <i>zone position focused on PR &amp; Public Image</i>
RRFC	Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator – <i>zone position to promote Foundation</i>
RYE	Rotary Youth Exchange
RYLA	Rotary Youth Leadership Award
STEP	Short-Term Exchange Program – <i>youth program</i>
TRF	The Rotary Foundation
TRFC	The Rotary Foundation Canada
VTT	Vocational Training Team
YEP	Youth Exchange Program

## ROTARY DISTRICT 7020 – AREAS OF FOCUS AWARDS 2014-15

...submitted by Vernella Fuller

We want to acknowledge and applaud your service efforts!

Fellow Rotarians, as you know, Rotary International has identified specific causes to target in order to maximize our local and global impact.

Through global grants and other resources, Rotary International helps clubs focus their service efforts in six Areas of Focus:



1. 'Promoting Peace' - Peace and Conflict Resolution
2. 'Fighting Disease' - Disease Prevention and Treatment
3. 'Providing Clean Water' - Water and Sanitation
4. 'Saving Mothers and Children' - Maternal and Child Health
5. 'Supporting Education' - Basic Education and Literacy through Literacy
6. 'Growing Local Economies' - Economic and Community Development

### WHAT PROJECTS HAS YOUR CLUB DONE THIS YEAR?

Please let us know, and your service efforts will be acknowledged in Rotary International District Conference 2015!

- A project in one of the six Areas of Focus – **Bronze Award**
- Project/s in two-three of the six Areas of Focus – **Silver Award**
- Project/s in four-five of the six Areas of Focus – **Gold Award**
- Projects in each of the six Areas of Focus – **Platinum Award**

### PLEASE REPORT YOUR SERVICE EFFORTS

To report your service efforts,

- Log on to the District Website
- Download the form – (the link)

OR

- Email – [vefuller@gmail.com](mailto:vefuller@gmail.com) (The form will be sent by email attachment to you.)

**Deadline for applications: 31 March 2015**

**Please return your application form to: [vefuller@gmail.com](mailto:vefuller@gmail.com)**

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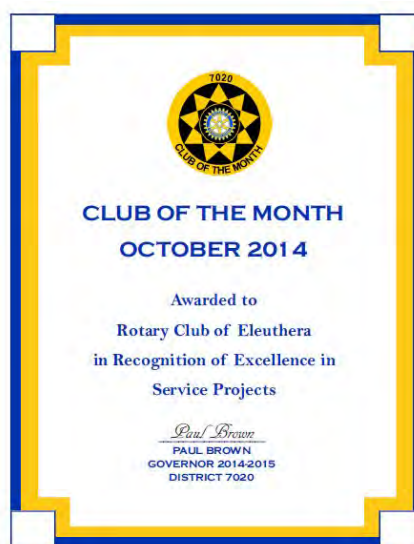
# WINNERS

## Club-of-the-Month

MONTH	CLUB NAME	SIZE	PRESIDENT
<b>AUGUST</b> <i>Membership and Partnerships</i>	<b>E-CLUB OF THE CARIBBEAN, 7020</b>	25 and under (20)	Amarylis Dávila-Agosto
	<b>ROADTOWN</b>	Over 25 (55)	Shan Mohamed
<b>SEPTEMBER</b> <i>New Generations</i>	<b>SINT MAARTEN MID-ISLE</b>	25 and under (20)	Wayne Wilkie
	<b>TORTOLA</b>	Over 25 (95)	Henry Creque
<b>OCTOBER</b> <i>...Service – Vocational, Community &amp; International</i>	<b>MONTEGO BAY SUNRISE</b>	25 and under (22)	Suzette Ramdanie-Linton
	<b>ELEUTHERA</b>	Over 25 (30)	Julian Carey

Congratulations to the runners-up this month -

- **Second place** – Sint Maarten Mid-Isle (Small) and Grand Cayman Central (Large)
- **Third place** - St. Martin Sunrise (Small) and Tortola (Large)



# CLUB-OF-THE MONTH

## Ideas to Share

Many good ideas from Club-of-the-Month submissions -



PP Marcellia Henry

Thomas Edison has stated, and I quote, *"The value of an idea lies in the using of it."*

For this segment of the District's Newsletter, innovative ideas that are being executed by the clubs of District 7020 will be shared on a monthly basis. These novel ideas will be selected from the Club of the Month (COTM) submissions, and will showcase the creativeness of the clubs in this *ground-breaking* district. It is the intention that these ideas can be used as inspiration, or be adapted and implemented by the clubs.

### OCTOBER

For the month of October, Service Month (Vocational, Community, and International) for our Club-of-the-Month activities, a number of clubs from our ground breaking District 7020 have yet again executed many innovative ideas that will be shared in this segment of the District's Newsletter.

Napoleon Hill has stated and I quote, *"All achievements, all earned riches, have their beginning in an idea,"* so who knows what the impact of these shared ideas can lead to...

**Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise.** Let's start with the Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise. The President of this club employed 20 Rotaractors and University students to work for one day for her company. What a display of community service and support of the young people in the community!

**Rotary Club of East Nassau.** Rotary Club of East Nassau, through the leadership of a member whose vocation is landscaping, adopted and installed a highly specialized playground at the school, Seahorse Institute, which provides day programs for children with Autism and related disabilities in the Bahamas. Great Job!

*Playground for children with Autism and related disabilities at Seahorse Institute in the Bahamas.*



**Rotary Club of Eleuthera.** The members of Rotary Club of Eleuthera organized and presented at an in-house Job Fair & Career Day for high school students providing information and advice on various career opportunities that exist on the island. Many of the youth and unemployed individuals were able to network with various members of their club and received free advice and assistance.

Some members of Eleuthera even showcased their creative side by acting in a drama/skit with their fellow Rotaractors in order to bring forward some important points pertaining to how persons should present themselves when participating in a job interview.

Way to go Eleuthera!



**Rotary Club de Pétion-Ville.** Likewise, Rotary Club de Pétion-Ville held its 11th annual edition of the Pétion-Ville Club Career Fair, which was attended by over 800 students each day in grades 10 through 12.

The purpose of the fair was to spark interest in different career opportunities, and encourage students to continue their education beyond a high school diploma.

The plenary sessions covered issues related to college/university selection, application, career vision, career choice, financing, etc.

Also included in their program were different presentations addressing subjects such as *Ethics in your career*, *How to choose a career*, and *Scholarship Options*, to name a few.

A Career fair that can change lives!

**Rotary Club of Road Town.** The Rotary Club of Road Town hosted the *I'm a Lady: Inspire Youth, Build Rotary* seminar for over 200 secondary school girls. The seminar was designed to equip girls with the knowledge and tools needed to transition to productive women in the community.

It also provided an opportunity for Rotarians and other community leaders to mentor these young ladies about becoming leading professionals in today's world. What an inspiration!

*Group sessions at the I'm a Lady: Inspire Youth, Build Rotary seminar aimed at providing young girls with the tools to be successful career women.*



**Rotary Club of Tortola.** The final ideas that will be shared for this edition comes from the Rotary Club of Tortola, where they got *hands on* to renovate the home of an elderly and mentally challenged Lady with the assistance of the Rotaract Club of Tortola and Royal Navy Servicemen.

One of their Rotarians, who is a former Olympian, along with his wife, taught swimming to a number of children at the schools on that island.

These were some of the great ideas for the month of October. I hope they inspired your club and yourself to think of some more ideas for the upcoming month.

Until then, remember, *"Everything begins with an idea."*  
-- Earl Nightengale

#### PLEASE NOTE!!

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# Club Charter Celebrations

*Celebration/Activity    Date*

<i>Attendance Report Due</i>	3 <sup>rd</sup> of the month
<b>Club Charter Celebrations</b>	
<i>Spanish Town, Jamaica</i>	December 17, 1981
<i>Trafalgar New Heights, Jamaica</i>	December 17, 2008
<i>Les Cayes, Haiti</i>	December 20, 1978
<i>Tortola, BVI</i>	January 5, 1968
<i>Road Town, BVI</i>	January 7, 1991
<i>Pétion-Ville, Haiti</i>	January 8, 1972
<i>Nassau, Bahamas</i>	January 19, 1962
<i>Mandeville, Jamaica</i>	January 20, 1964
<i>Port-au-Prince, Haiti</i>	January 22, 1962

*If it is to be, it is up to me.*



## Rotary International Convention

Posted by David Beck on Jul 01, 2014

### Upcoming Conventions:

June 6-9 - RI Convention 2015  
São Paulo, Brazil

29 May—1 June - RI Convention 2016  
Seoul, Republic of Korea (tentative)

10-14 June - RI Convention 2017  
Atlanta, Georgia, USA (tentative)



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...submitted by Patrick Adizua

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# *Coming Events*

## *Family of Rotary Month*

*December*

## *Rotary World AIDS Day*

*December 1, 2014*

## *RLI – BVI*

*December 6 and 7, 2014*

## *Rotary Awareness Month*

*January*

## *RLI – Jamaica*

*Spanish Court Hotel on January 24-25, 2015.*

## *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*

*May 12-16, 2015*

*Montego Bay, Jamaica*

## EMAIL ETIQUETTE

[http://email.about.com/od/emailnetiquette/tp/core\\_netiquette.htm](http://email.about.com/od/emailnetiquette/tp/core_netiquette.htm)

**Take another look before you send a message.** *With email, what CAN be misunderstood WILL BE misunderstood. That's why you should be doubly careful with everything you write.*

**Do not default to "Reply All."** *Do not use "Reply All" when only the original sender needs to see your reply.*

**Keep emails short.** *Long emails can look intimidating, and a long sequence of long paragraphs, possibly including long run-on sentences that do not seem to stop but do not seem to go anywhere either — sentences filled with extraneous words that add little to the meaning but serve to confuse with multifaceted and sometimes conflicting possible interpretations — can make the recipient read less than if the message had been only, uh, about 3 sentences — three witty, concise and precise sentences — long.*

**Write only as much as necessary.** *It is more important for business emails to be succinct. Personal emails can be flowery and long-winded. For clarity, fewer and simpler words are still better.*

**Use bullet points.** *If you do have much to write:*

- *Break your message into bullet points.*
- *Begin each point with a concise summary or the action you want taken.*
- *Make sure important information is clear and easy to read and understand.*

**One action per message.** *Do not lump together everything you need or want to tell a recipient into one message. Start a new message for each major action you request from the recipient.*

**Write a good email subject line.**

- *Summarize the message.*
- *Give the message's bottom line.*
- *Be precise.*
- *If the email requires a response, say so.*
- *Omit unnecessary words.*
- *If a date is involved, include it.*

**Clean up emails before forwarding them.** *Messages that have been forwarded multiple times often contain > and other quotation characters in all the wrong places, lines are broken in even worse places, and email addresses of people you don't want to know are everywhere. Cleaning up such a mess can be cumbersome, but keeping an email clean that you forward initially is easy.*

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- *Place any comments you have preferably before the forwarded message.*
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### PLEASE NOTE!!

*Please send Club-of-the-Month submissions to*  
[COTM7020@gmail.com](mailto:COTM7020@gmail.com)

I am  
A tree, a  
Christmas tree.  
How merry do  
I feel, to think of what  
I used to be! It makes  
Me fairly peal with laughter to  
Reflect that I have grown,  
Since I have come from Nature's  
Haunts beneath the sky, to bear  
Up Johnny's drum; to carry candy on  
My back, and pop-corn balls galore,  
And many another fine knick-knack from  
Santa Claus's store. With candles I  
Am lighted up, with presents loaded down;  
And so to me fill up the cup, and toast  
Me through the town. This is my day of all  
The days. I tremble with delight, and every  
Branch within me sways, for I am doing right.  
'Tis true my load is heavier than when, a  
Gay young twig, I fluttered with my brother fir,  
And thought myself quite big. But no one  
Knows what happiness, my sisters and my  
Brothers, can be obtained unsought, unless  
You've done some good to others. And  
So, although a heavy load I'm bearing  
Up to-day, I feel so good that I'll  
Be bowed. I'd like to float away to  
Some land where there is no  
Past, and where the  
Children  
Never will  
Leave me.  
Then let  
Christmas  
last for  
ever and  
for ever!

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# CLUB NEWS – Where is your club?

## ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARTIN SUNRISE

...submitted by Kameela Piper

### Welcomes new member Damali Bryson

Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise President Virginia Asin is pleased to welcome new member Damali Bryson to the club. Ms. Bryson's induction ceremony took place during a joint meeting of all Rotarian clubs at Le Mini Club in Marigot. Visiting Rotary 7020 District Governor Paul Brown conducted the ceremony. Ms. Bryson is a critical care nurse at the St. Maarten Medical Center and was introduced to the club by fellow Rotarian Angelique Gumbs.

*At right – Okama Ekpe Brook, President Virginia Asin, Damali Bryson and her parents.*



Ms. Bryson's eagerness to give back to the community through Rotary is one of the reasons Membership Director Okama Ekpe Brook was delighted to advance Ms. Bryson's nomination to Rotary Sunrise's membership. Ms. Bryson plans to participate in Readers Are Leaders and the Peace Committee. Rotary Sunrise was pleased to know that our young professional nature and our current community service activities drew Ms. Bryson's interests.

We are delighted to have guests join us at our weekly breakfast meetings every Tuesday at Carl & Sons Pondfill from 7am. For more information on the club visit us at [sxmsunrise.org](http://sxmsunrise.org) or email [sunriserotary.sxm@hotmail.com](mailto:sunriserotary.sxm@hotmail.com), we are also on Facebook: Rotary Club of Saint Martin Sunrise

### Rotary Sunrise honors Urmain Youmay Dormoy

...submitted by Kameela Piper

Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise honored Urmain *Youmay* Dormoy with Rotary's Annual Vocational Service Award.

The Vocational Service Award is an annual Rotary International Award that honors people who have shown exceptional dedication to their vocation. The main criteria to be met are a Rotary spirit of *Service Above Self* and a high ethical and moral standard in performing your vocation. Mr. Dormoy, a civil servant within the Department of Culture, who is on loan to the Philipsburg Cultural Center, was nominated by Immediate Past President Angela Gordon.

President Virginia Asin was pleased to present Mr. Dormoy with an Award and a Certificate at the weekly breakfast meeting.

*Youmay* as the public knows him was portrayed as a man with many talents. He is known for being involved in music, playing several instruments, and in arts as a painter of colorful floral images.

In the past years, he is mostly known for his unwavering dedication of his time to youngsters from the ages of 4 through 16 as the leader and founder of the Generation New Status STM Drum Band.

He was inspired to start a drum band because of the constant negative pounding he felt the youths received. The idea was to have fun, but to instill discipline and self-confidence in the band members. In addition to learning the art of drumming, the children learn lessons that are needed to take them through life, such as respect and accountability.

Mr. Dormoy thanked Rotary Sunrise for the acknowledgement and his team at Generation New Status STM Drum Band for the support.

The club meets at Carl & Sons Pondfill every Tuesday mornings at 7:00 a.m. for fellowship and breakfast.



*Above - Rotary's IPP Angela Gordon, Rotary's Secretary Marcellia Henry, Drum Band's Secretary Debbie Milton, Drum Band's Manager Jennifer Thomas, Rotary's President Virginia Asin, Award Recipient Urmay "Youmay" Dormoy and Drum Band Member Mareel Louison.*

## ROTARY CLUB OF SINT MAARTEN MID-ISLE SPELLING BEE

*...submitted by PP Jon Hart*

Some additional photos of a successful 2014 Spelling Bee Finals.

Thank you to the committee members and all Rotarians, Rotaractors and Family of Rotary for working together in making this a hit.

Special thanks to Scotiabank and the many other sponsors (most of which were obtained by Rotarian Fred) and contributors in kind.

Thanks to Dr. Rhoda Arrindell and the panel of judges (Peter, Yvette, Arjen) for their tasks, including the challenges from the audience which they handled very well.

Congratulations to 1st prize winner Kushal Punjabi (MAC JAG), 2nd prize Luise Guinto (Anguilla), 3rd prize Amit Bijlani (MAC JAG), 4th prize Athalie Reyes (MAC BFM) and 5th prize Tueling Ramkellowan (MAC BFM).

Those of you who were in attendance know that you were treated to more than a Spelling Bee! Besides the, at times, emotional situations on stage, we also had the Dow Steel Orchestra entertaining the crowd.

I am sure most of us can't wait till next year!











## *Polio Walk-a-thon*

*...submitted by Ramesh Manek*

First of all a big thank you to everyone on behalf of Rotary and the Children of the world for coming out and supporting Rotary at the Walkathon on Saturday, 25th October, as we head to the finish line to eradicate Polio completely from this world.

Special thanks to President Virginia (Rotary Sunrise) and President Danny (Rotary St Maarten) for giving their blessings and support to this and thanks to Alain for taking time to come and take these wonderful photos. Everyone is welcome to support Rotary in this project to end Polio now.

You can either go on [rotary.org](http://rotary.org) and donate for polio or contact your local Rotary club and donate.

I am coordinating a fund raising project called World's Greatest Meal to end Polio. This is a worldwide fund raiser with over 50 countries participating. If you need to do is get together have a meal and donate to Polio. If you do this, please register the event with me, and then i will guide you how to make the donation to Rotary.

Thanks to Alain for taking the wonderful photos.

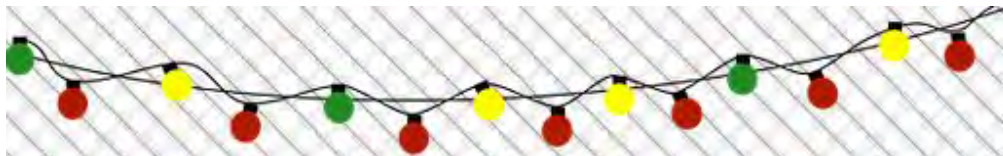
*We organized this walkathon to raise funds for Polio via the World's Greatest Meal to end Polio. We had Interact and Rotaract and good part of the St Maarten community participate. We raised enough money for Rotary to fund over 6000 vaccines and to be able to immunize over 3000 Children of the World.*







IF IT IS TO BE  
IT IS UP TO ME





## *Presentation of Soccer Shirts*

Recently, we had the presentation of the various coloured shirts for the teams which will be taking part in the Rotary Youth Soccer Competition (RYSC).

Present were Mid Isle President Wayne, Louis, Jon, Ramesh, Peter, Matthijs, Fred, President Owen Nicky and members of the St. Maarten Football Federation, and participating school representatives.

Marketing representative of PRIME Distributors, our main sponsor for this project, Allison Williams was also present.



We also took the opportunity to take a photo (right) of the trio from our Family of Rotary, who will be taking part in the upcoming Tropical Biathlon (or something like that!). We wish them luck.

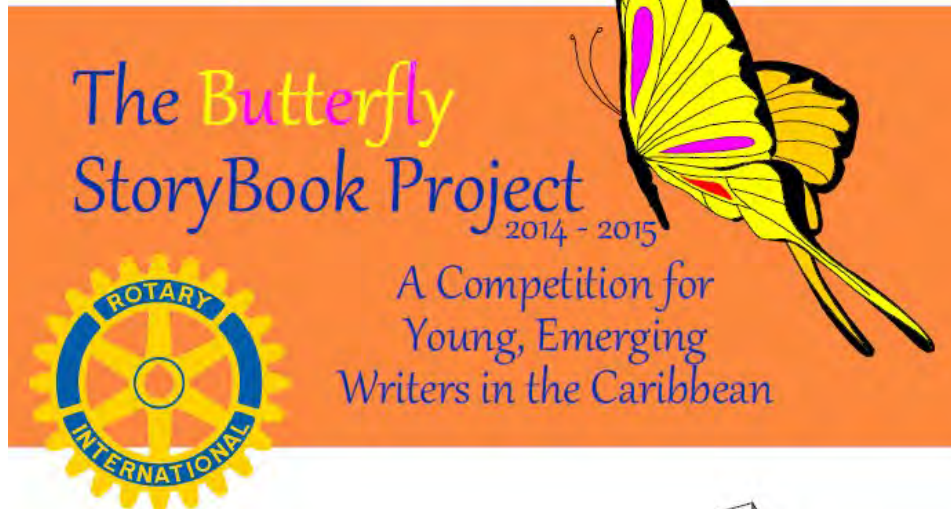
*At right – Peter Mazereuh, his son Matthijs and Ramesh Manek represented Mid-Isle at the Tropical Duathlon Run-Walk-Run to raise awareness and funds in the fight against Polio.*



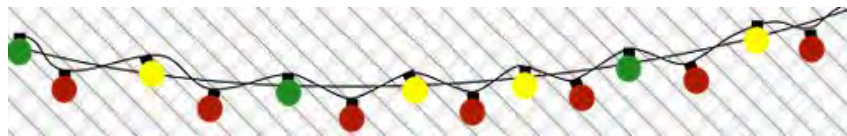
## ROTARY E-CLUB OF THE CARIBBEAN, 7020

### Award-winning Literacy Project

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### E-CLUB ACTIVITIES

#### *NID – Participation in National Immunization Day in Ethiopia*

*...submitted by Wein Dimetros, member of Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020, currently in Ethiopia*



Our schedule was a full week, started on Monday, November 3, 2014.

Visited the Cheshire Home, in Addis where children and young adults are offered post operative rehabilitation, (design) fitting of prosthetic limbs and orthotic devices.

Also visited Rotary Village and Rotary Library and on Wednesday was briefed by WHO on status of Polio and expressed their gratitude to Rotary International and Rotarians for all the efforts that is being done to end polio.

On Thursday travelled to Adama, about 100 Km from Addis and visited a school there.

Friday travelled about 35 km from Adama for the NID and on

Saturday travelled further south for our second day of NID. Great few days that made me proud to be a Rotarian.



## ***Celebrating World Interact Week***

Nicole Thomas, Public Image and Social Media Editor for Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020 made a presentation to members of the Camperdown High Interact Club on Social Media and Public Image.

Rotarian Nicole's presentation was part of the Club's World Interact Week Celebration.



## ***World-class Guest Speaker! Possible with E-Club technology***

We can definitely learn a lot about the world in our Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020. Our guest speaker this month spoke directly to us from Mexico. Dr. Rajaram will be honored as the 2014 World Food Prize Laureate for his scientific research that led to a prodigious increase in world wheat production – by more than 200 million tons – building upon the successes of the Green Revolution. Dr. Rajaram spoke to us directly from Mexico.

### **2014 - Rajaram**



2014 World Food Prize Laureate  
Dr. Sanjaya Rajaram

### **Dr. Sanjaya Rajaram**

#### **INDIA AND MEXICO**

The eminent plant scientist Dr. Sanjaya Rajaram, born in India and a citizen of Mexico, will be honored as the 2014 World Food Prize Laureate for his scientific research that led to a prodigious increase in world wheat production – by more than 200 million tons – building upon the successes of the Green Revolution.

His breakthrough breeding technologies have had a far-reaching and significant impact in providing more nutritious food around the globe and alleviating world hunger. Dr. Rajaram succeeded Dr. Norman Borlaug in leading CIMMYT's wheat breeding program, and developed an astounding 480 wheat varieties that have been released in 51 countries on six continents and have been widely adopted by small- and large-scale farmers alike.

Links: [Press Release](#) | [Secretary Kerry's Remarks](#)  
[Amb. Quinn's Remarks](#) | [Photos](#) | [Video](#) | [Award Ceremony](#)  
[2014 Announcement News Coverage](#) | [Why wheat?](#)  
Article: "Norman Borlaug: The man I Worked With and Knew"<sup>1</sup>

## Statement of Achievement

As the World Food Prize celebrates the centennial year of his mentor, Dr. Norman Borlaug, as well as the UN-FAO's International Year of Family Farming, it is especially fitting that we recognize the achievements of Dr. Sanjaya Rajaram, which have benefitted farmers and consumers worldwide.

Dr. Rajaram's crossing of winter and spring wheat varieties, which were distinct gene pools that had been isolated from one another for hundreds of years, led to his development of plants that have higher yields and dependability under a wide range of environments around the world.



Dr. Rajaram evaluating wheat in Mexico.  
Right-click to save photo

## Early Life and Education

Sanjaya Rajaram was born in 1943 near a small farming village in the state of Uttar Pradesh in northeastern India, four years before the country won its independence from Britain. His family, including his parents, an older brother and a younger sister, made a meager living on their five-hectare farm growing wheat, rice and maize. Recognizing that, at an early age, Sanjaya was keenly interested in learning about the world around him, his parents sent him to primary and secondary schools in a village five kilometers away from his home. This was at a time when roughly 96 percent of the rural population had no formal education.

For more information, check this link: [http://www.worldfoodprize.org/en/laureates/2014\\_\\_rajaram/](http://www.worldfoodprize.org/en/laureates/2014__rajaram/)

## ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS, USVI

...submitted by Mary Gleason



**Above left** - RC of St. Thomas distributing the "babies" purchased by the RC of St. Thomas Foundation. Rtn. Terry Robinson, Alda Fielto, teacher, Rtn. Paul Davis, Maritza Pierre, teacher, Mary Gleason (Chair of the program), Avril Graham, teacher.

**Right** - Paul Davis, Mary M. Gleason and Terry Robinson. RC of St. Thomas and its Foundation have recently raised over \$12,000 to purchase 15 new Baby Think It Over virtual babies for the participating public middle and high schools for this teen pregnancy deterrent program. The local program has been in existence in St. Thomas for the last 13 years and is estimated to have a 95 to 98 percent success rate among teens avoiding unplanned pregnancies.

Also, we welcomed all guests to the Rotary Club of St. Thomas's World Greatest Meal to Help End Polio this Thursday November 20. It was a non-traditional luncheon meeting that began at 12:00 and featured a silent auction. We presented a great program and Polio update that included special guest speaker appearances as well as a unique chocolate fountain dessert bar separate from our regular meal. All funds raised will be presented to our End Polio program through the Rotary International Foundation.



(Eric Ackerson, President)



## ROTARY CLUB OF NEW KINGSTON, JAMAICA

...submitted by Lloyd Butler



*Above left - PDG Mike Fennel makes a point at HR Vocation presentation.*



*Above right - Rotarian Michael Jones, Vice President of HR at Scotiabank.*



*Above left - Mega classification presentation, President-Elect Marvin and Rotarian Lowell.*



*Above right - President Lloyd, Garth Hinchcliffe, Parents of Gary, Mr. Peter Grant and wife Gloria.*



*Above left - PP Clive presents Gary Grant Vocational Service Award to PP Earl for Rotarian Category. At right - Rotarian Peta-Gay presents the Gary Grant Vocational Service award to Garth Hinchcliffe, non-Rotarian Category.*



*At left - Vice-president Rose-Marie Gibbs presents the Ethics Award to Past President Wayne Powell.*

### **A SOCIAL IDEA FROM ST. THOMAS**

Join your fellow Rotarians, guests and friends at beautiful Bolongo Beach for our monthly Tuesday social.

The get-together will feature the always popular Karaoke with all proceeds going to the Rotary Foundation.

- Pay to sing YOUR favorite tunes.
- Pay NOT to have to sing, or
- Pay to have ANOTHER guest sing.

Great food and liquid courage available for purchase.

Singing begins at 5:30 pm and continues into the evening.

All Rotarians and their guests are welcome! Bring a friend!!





# ROTARY CLUB OF TORTOLA, BVI

...submitted by Valerie Georges

## **Rashad Jones - EPIC Founder and Director Headlines Rotary Club of Tortola's 2014 Youth Forum**

The forum focused on 'Peace and Conflict Resolution', was conducted with secondary schools across the Territory including Tortola, Virgin Gorda, Jost Van Dyke and Anegada. The Multi-purpose Sports Complex saw some 1300 students from across Tortola and Jost Van Dyke, whilst the Virgin Gorda venue saw 300 from Anegada and VG.

Hundreds of students from the Elmore Stouff High School (ESHS), St. Georges Secondary, Cedar International and the Seventh Day Adventist schools were treated to two hours of interactive and frank discussions about bullying, conflict resolution, self-esteem, respect, peer pressure, teenage pregnancy and other issues. On Virgin Gorda the venue was the New Testament Sanctuary of Hope Church.

The guest speaker was Mr. Rashad Jones, founder of EPIC Youth Services, LLC, a well-established organization in the USA that has been breaking grounds.

Jones, who was very interactive with the youth, did a freestyle rap piece on bullying and peer pressure, much to the delight of the students.

Jones told the students that everyone has a purpose in life and issues such as bullying, low self-esteem, fights and negative energy can create hurdles in them fulfilling their purpose.



Jones has spoken to over 60,000 individuals worldwide in the past fifteen years and said nothing can limit someone from reaching his or her goals. He urged them to stop making excuses and write their own story.

Jones, who was homeless at the age of 18, but owned his own home by age 25, implored the youth to get up, get out and go get it. He reminded them of four important things in life - lead your own life; make great choices; no more excuses; and go get what you want.

Panelists included students from the various schools. Kathelyn Archibald-Drew, 13, of Cedar International spoke on peer pressure; Keniyeh Hill, 12, of ESHS spoke on bullying; Jeline Malone of ESHS spoke on conflict resolution; Akeem Williams, 15, of the Seventh Day Adventist School

spoke on respect; and Chris-Tiann Roberts, 14, of the St. Georges Secondary spoke on self-esteem.

On Virgin Gorda the peer students were 15 year old Anika Christopher a grade ten student of BFEC and her fellow school mate Demoi Bradley a 13 year old grade 9 student. From the Claudia Creque Educational Centre (CCEC) were grade 7 Kimberley Howell 13 years old and Gregory Levons Jr 15 year old 10th grader.

Also on the panel for both sessions were Raul Sprauve known as Jugu, a vocalist of Roadmarch Champion band – VIBE, and YEP (Youth Empowerment Project) Director Mr. Stacy Mather. On Virgin Gorda, Professional Development Director of the Rotaract Club of Tortola - Feliza Fenty was added to the panel.



Brief remarks were given by Hon. Myron Walwyn, Minister for Education and Culture; President of the Rotary Club of Tortola, Mr. Henry Creque; and Assistant Governor - AG Mrs. Delma Maduro. On Virgin Gorda PP Lorna Smith told the students, "The only question that is foolish is the one that is not asked."



It was truly an Epic event as the students were engaged, asked a number of questions and shared their views on the topics discussed.

An unforgettable moment for all was at the culmination of the VG forum when Rashad spoke about the choice that he and his then girlfriend had made to live a life of celibacy.



Initially his comment drew giggles and whispers from the crowd of students, but as he continued the story and described how their choice led to a loving and committed relationship, marriage and then a young family, one could vividly see the fascination in the eyes of the students and their realization that they do have set of wonderful alternatives from which to choose for the lives they live!



***Above** - Rotarian Milton Creque, Rotarian Anthony Clarke, Director Lynette Harrigan, President Henry Creque, VP Ingrid Moses, Rashad Jones (the Motivational guest speaker), and the young man on the far right is Kamau Georges.*

## ROTARY CLUB OF PORTMORE, JAMAICA

*This article appeared in the Jamaica Gleaner (<http://jamaica-gleaner.com/gleaner/20141113/news/news2.html>)*

THE ROTARY Club of Portmore recently hosted its annual vocational service awards where it honoured two individuals from the Portmore community for outstanding contribution and service in their respective fields.

The awardees were Corporal Verdane Wright and Dr Soni Gautam. Corporal Wright is attached to the Visual Identification Unit of the Jamaica Constabulary Force and is based at the Greater Portmore Police Station.

He was police leader for the Braeton Phase 3 and Phase 2 Police Youth clubs and also served as the divisional coordinator for the St Catherine South Police Youth Club between 2004 and 2008.

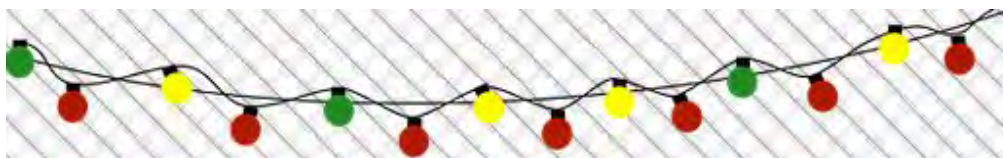
Dr Gautam has made outstanding contribution in the area of health care to members of Portmore. She has been affiliated with the Rotary Club of Portmore's Health Fair for the last four years, where she volunteered her service to the less fortunate members of the community.

### Happy recipients

Both awardees said they were honoured to have received the awards from the Rotary Club of Portmore.

The function which was held in St Andrew was also a special joint meeting with the Rotaract Club of The University of the West Indies (the youth arm of Rotary).

Both clubs recently partnered on a major project - the rehabilitation of the Gregory Park Police Station in Portmore, St Catherine. The station was in a deplorable state. The station also received a facelift, which included painting of the exterior, planting of flowers and clean-up of the property overall.



Do you know who is the R.I.P.N.?  
(Rotary International President-Nominee)

John Germ  
Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA

## ROTARY CLUB OF ST. CROIX WEST

...submitted by Dorothy McIntosh

PDG Rupert W Ross, Jr., Past President Maurice Illidge and grandson, Past President Lauchland S. Tonge, and Past President Lloyd Daniel worked very hard renovating the kitchen and cleaning the grounds at the Boys and Girls Club of Frederiksted.

The photos show their hard work and results.



*You can't win if nobody catches the ball in the outfield. You are only as good as the team you have behind you.*  
--Jim Palmer

*"Don't let your emotions ruin your plans and vision."*  
--Dr Letecia Ferriol



President Susanna Smith paused to take pictures after the Induction of Honorary Rotarians and the Installation of four new members into the club. **Below** – installation of Honorary Rotarians



*Below – Installation of new members*



## ROTARY CLUB OF ST. CROIX

### VOCATIONAL SERVICE AWARD PRESENTATIONS

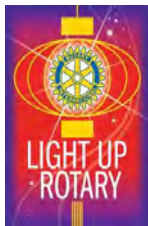


During October as Vocational Service Month, Rotary St. Croix awarded four Vocational Service Awards to recognize members of our community for outstanding Vocational Service, Ethic, and Integrity in their profession.

The recipients were (a) Wellington Pelle of Pelle's Towing, (b) Jennifer Matarangas-King of Innovative, (c) Thomas Williams Jr. of VICARE and (d) Richard Wright of Innovative.

Shown at left Williams, Matarangas-King and Wright.

## ROTARY CLUB OF NASSAU SUNRISE



*Weekly meetings on Thursdays at 6:45 a.m.  
at British Colonial Hilton*

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Nassau, Bahamas  
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# ROTARY CLUB OF ROAD TOWN, BVI

...submitted by Nelcia St. Jean

Sitting in her home in London, Mrs. Rosh Razzaq mustered the courage to share how polio has impacted her life.

Her riveting account was streamed live via the internet to Rotarians who gathered at Treasure Isle for special joint meeting between the Rotary Club of Road Town and on World Polio Day, October 24.

Roshi grew up in Pakistan, one of the few places where polio is still found.

Growing up, Roshi had never heard the word 'polio', but could not undertake regular activities since one of her feet was underdeveloped and smaller in size than the other so her shoes were specially made.

"I have an older sister and she was buying shoes for herself. She was wearing beautiful shoes and I wanted to buy those shoes," she said.

According to Roshi, there has never been a time when she never walked with a limp. "I have never experienced walking on two healthy feet."

## SURVIVING POLIO: The Roshi Razzaq Story



Mrs. Rosh Razzaq is a published author of the popular cookbook Indian Low Fat cooking. She is also a prominent playwright and has written several TV dramas that have been produced and televised in Pakistan.

She is currently working on her second cookbook of traditional Indian and Pakistani recipes.

Also addressing the meeting was Dr. Zubair Anwar-Bawany who spoke via video link from Pakistan. Zubair has been working with UN Agencies such as UNICEF in developing smart initiatives and alliances to take on the challenge of polio eradication in Pakistan.



PE Ryan Geluk & IPP Charles Crane with Interactors at the Ebenezer Thomas primary on World Polio Day.



A billboard erected in Road Town, the capital of the BVI, to bring awareness to World Polio Day 2014.

## Literacy Award



BVI author Ayana Hull received a Literacy Award for her contribution to literacy and the overall development of the Virgin Islands.

Secretary Nelcia St. Jean presented Ms. Hull with the award on September 10. In her spare time, Ms. Hull enjoys reading and writing.

In 2012, she authored Financial Services deMystified, a text book on financial services in the British Virgin Islands which is being utilised in the secondary schools as a text book.

In 2013, she completed the tutorial manual for the text book and the tutorial manual is expected to be introduced in the secondary school shortly.

Recently, she authored a second book, which she titled the Pentateuch.



Pennies for Polio Boxes were placed at various locations in the BVI so that the community can support the club's fund-raising efforts.



## I'M A LADY:

### Inspire Youth – Build Rotary

Over 200 fourth form girls from high schools in the Virgin Islands attended the 'I'M A Lady: Inspire Youth – Build Rotary Seminar' held on October 16 at U.P.'S Cineplex Ballroom.

The event covered a broad range of topics including Gender Equity, Leadership, Anger Management, Tattoos and Piercings, Women in a Man's World, Don't Write how you Speak, Peer Pressure and Purpose in Life. It also featured a guest speaker from Her Majesty's Prison who provided the young women a vivid picture of life behind bars.

In the end, the group of enthusiastic young women left the seminar informed, inspired and better prepared to face the challenges of adolescence and life.



## 2015-2016 Board Elected

On Wednesday, October, 29, the club successfully elected the 2015-2016 Board which will be led by PE Ryan Geluk. P. Shan Mohamed will serve on the board as Immediate Past President.

Elected were:

Vice President - Sonia Webster

Secretary - Anthony Clarke

Treasurer - Dany Katra

Sergeant At Arms - Vincent Wheatley

Membership Director -

Jacqueline Daley

Club Administration Director -

PP Elvis Harrigan

Foundation Director - PDG

Vance Lewis

Service Projects Director - PP

Charles Benjamin

Youth Services Director -

Everette Frazer

Fundraising Director -


Geraldine Johnson

Public Relations - Lavina


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## Rotary Club of Road Town



### WHO'S YOUR HERO?

Rotary Club of Road Town is recognizing  
our Community's Unsung Heroes

AGED 12 - 30 YEARS

Nominate your Unsung Hero!

## A Blessed Rotarian

PP Elvis Harrigan received prayers at the Agape Total Life Academy when he delivered Oxford Dictionaries to students.



# Leading The Pack

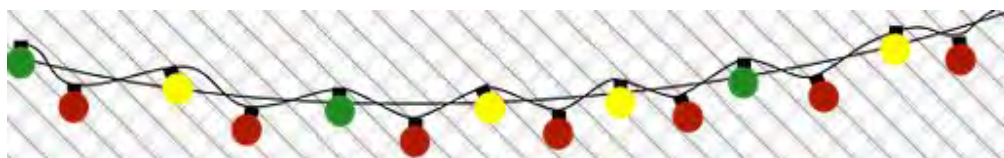


President Elect, Ryan Geluk has led the club's dedicated team of runners into battle at the H.

Lavity Stoutt Community College Classic Race Series.

The series provided competitive races between Rotarians and the youth arms.

More importantly, club members enjoyed the fellowship and the opportunity to build healthy bodies and minds.





## ROTARY CLUB OF WEST NASSAU



## ROTARY CLUB OF TRAFALGAR NEW HEIGHTS, JAMAICA



Andrew Bruce, founder of the non-governmental organisation, Plant Jamaica, accepts an award from Coleen Lewis, president of the Rotary Club of Trafalgar New Heights.

The Rotary Club of Trafalgar New Heights recently recognised Allison Hickling, director of club administration and communication specialist at the United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF), and Andrew Bruce, founder of Plant Jamaica, a non-governmental organisation targeted at renewing inner-city communities. Both received the club's Vocational Service Award for using their professional expertise to advance community development.

"It's an opportunity to use my creative skills and also help to transform lives and help communities to create good role models and leaders," says Bruce, who established the Plant Jamaica project in the summer after being involved in a similar renewal programme called Paint Jamaica just about a week prior to his organisation's start-up.

"I was painting at the time and thought I needed to broaden my skills and do something like murals," the social entrepreneur and visionary recounted about how he became involved in Paint Jamaica.

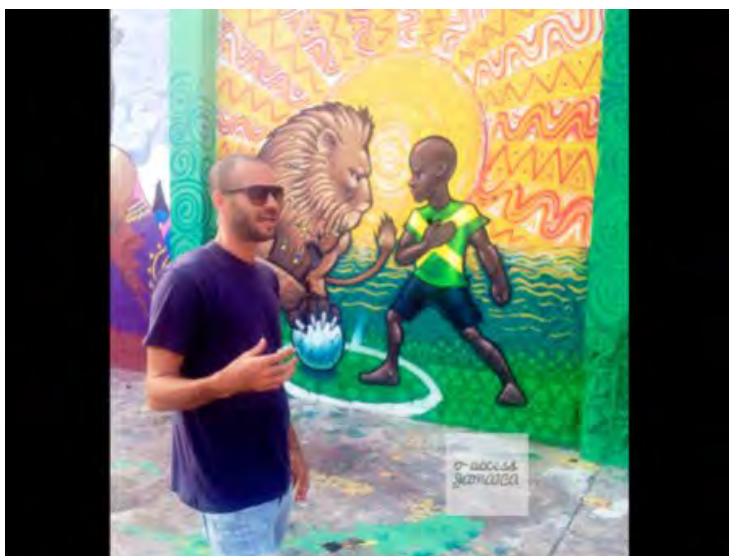


"I found them on Facebook and decided to join the group downtown one day as they did some activities. I loved it and I started Plant Jamaica a week and a half later," he said.

Plant Jamaica began on Fleet Street in Southside, Kingston, on a small plot of land across from the Paint Jamaica site. Bruce repurposed the space to engage young men in sustainable farming, furniture making and art. The site, known by the community as 'Life Yard', also includes a small restaurant. It is aimed at nurturing residents' natural talents and interests to encourage business success.

## GENERATING RENEWAL

"The idea is to generate renewal in downtown Kingston and create opportunities for young people to learn about things beyond their communities," Bruce said, noting that the project was recently expanded to the Holy Family Primary School, also in Southside, where children do a bit of gardening.



Andrew Bruce of Plant Jamaica in front of one of the paintings done with Paint Jamaica and residents of Fleet Street in downtown Kingston. The projects are geared at engaging residents in Southside, Kingston, in sustainable farming, furniture making and art. - Contributed photos

He also intends to engage residents in tree planting, trash removal, planting running vines and removing zinc fences along Fleet Street in an effort to transform the corridor.

"It's also about broadening their minds and exposing them to new ideas in ways they can afford," he said.

Hickling's work has been similarly focused on broadening the knowledge base of people who may not have access to certain amenities. Using her expertise as a communication specialist, Hickling has worked on several projects and activities to bring hope and restore spirit to communities, particularly children.

These include work with her Rotary family in various inner-city communities, including Trench Town, Seaview Gardens and Maverley in the Corporate Area to improve literacy skills, health, and engage youth in uplifting activities.

She has also worked in Ghana and was a volunteer in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in 2005, helping separated families to reunite.

"She is very passionate about her work," says friend and fellow Rotarian Ruth Chisholm, who accepted the award on behalf of Hickling.

"She has always wanted to use her communication skills for service and she's doing that."

## ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS EAST

**Rotary Club of St. Thomas East Vocational Excellence Awards November 12, 2014**

A fantastic evening honoring the following:

- Janice Ballard (Musical Director/instructor/organist/pianist, owner of Sound Tapestry Studio)
- Dorene Carle (healthy restaurateur - owner of Dorene's Garden of Eating)
- Maggie Falero (formerly head cook at IEKHS, currently at BCB)
- Jason "Aquaman" Quetel (Conservationist of the ocean)



*At left - Photo of all the award recipients.*

*In front is AG Michael Toussaint. Second left at back is Corinne van Rensselaer.*



## ROTARY CLUB OF LEOGANE, HAITI



As you have heard or read about the earthquake in Haiti, Leogane was 90 per cent destroyed by the earthquake on the 12th of January 2010.

After 5 years, the sons and daughters of Leogane have taken their destiny in hand, after much help by the international communities NGO's.

On January 12th, 2015, Haiti will commemorate the 5-year anniversary of the Earthquake and the Rotary Club of Leogane is organizing a 5-mile run in the memory of the missing ones.

On that occasion The Rotary Club of Leogane will donate 1000 water filter System to the less fortunate people who are facing very

hard difficulty times of not having access to potable water. Since they do not have access to potable water, most of the population are vulnerable to any waterborne diseases, like Cholera, Malaria, and typhoid. See more at:

<http://www.wavesforwater.org/fundraiser/leogane#sthash.6c2wUj7t.dpuf>







## 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.

### *ROTARACT/INTERACT OF EAST NASSAU*

*...submitted by Llewellyn A. Burrows*

Hats off to board members of QC's Interact Club, headed by President Jessica Cartwright. They kicked off Interact week by conducting the East Nassau Rotaract meeting with a lively and fun agenda enjoyed by all present. Way to go future leaders !!



### *ROTARACT GRAND CAYMAN - CAYMAN ISLANDS - D7020*

*...contributed by Ramesh Manek*

#### RESULT WGM - EVENT # 654

I feel good posting this one, especially since it is a Rotaract Event, well done Rotaract Grand Cayman. They raised \$ 3225.28 in turn helping to immunize over 8000 children of the World. Below is a synopsis of the event they held in their own words.



On Friday, 24th October 2014, the Rotaract Club of Grand Cayman held the World's Greatest Happy Hour to help raise funds for the eradication of polio. The event was extra special as it was held on World Polio Day.

The Club, with the help of the other Rotaract and Rotary clubs in Grand Cayman, invited the public to attend a happy hour at the Cayman Cabana Oceanside RestoBar where there was an "Eradicate Polio" menu in which proceeds from the menu items went towards the cause. There was also, End Polio Now information and flyers, a 'This Close' photo booth, and a set up for Rotarians, Rotaractors and guests to view the live streaming of the global update on polio from Chicago, USA.



Throughout the night, Rotaractors from RCGC acted as bartenders, offering a signature drink, the 'Purple Pinky' in line with the purple dye used when children have received the polio vaccination. Rotaractors from RCGC and Rotaract Blue, sold raffle tickets for donated prizes, hosted the evening and enjoyed each other's company in the fellowship as the Dj played music.



The patrons who attended were encouraged to wear red and there was a sea of red tops in attendance. Those in attendance also included employees of companies who had agreed to take part in the 'Red Top' dress down day, that day at work.

Companies identified by the members of RCGC were asked to encourage their employees to dress in red for World Polio Day for a KYD 2 contribution and also had the opportunity to purchase an End Polio Now lapel pin for an additional KYD 2. Those same employees were also invited and encouraged to attend the World's Greatest Happy Hour after work that day.

World Polio Day 2014 turned out to be a great success as it gave RCGC an opportunity to raise money towards the eradication of polio, fellowship with the entire Rotary family in Grand Cayman and also create greater aware of the work Rotary International is doing to eradication polio from the face of the Earth.

In total, from the dress down participants, EPN pin sales, and the World's Greatest Happy Hour, the amount raised was KYD 2644.73. From the proceeds of the Eradicate Menu at the WGHH the total raised was KYD 410.



## ROTARACT CLUB OF SOUTH EAST NASSAU CENTENNIAL

...submitted by RSENC PR Director, Leah Lowe

### See how your garden grows –

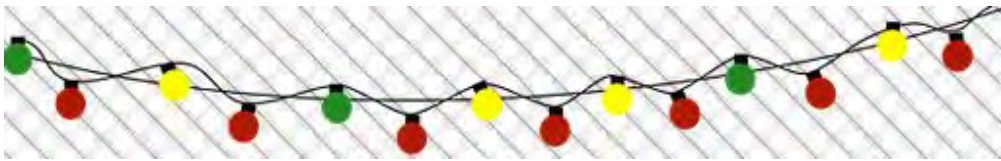
RSENC visited the Elizabeth Estates Children's Home to check on and do some regular tending to the Garden. This is an ongoing initiative that was started this year to help the kids at the home to understand and experience the benefits of growing their own food.



With the help of our Sponsor Club, we were able to transform a section of the yard at the Home into a wonderful gardening plot.

What a surprise it was to find our first crop on this visit! The cucumbers are ready for the kids to harvest and enjoy, and the other crops are not too far behind.

*At left - RSENC members with the first crop from the Garden*



Dear Tammi Miller & Joshua Thompson,

On behalf of the Rotaract Club of Southeast Nassau Centennial, we would like to wish you all the best as you begin your educational journey in China.

Thank you for attending and supporting our club activities and initiatives over the past few months. From the first meeting, you two became family members of RSENC.

Even though we did not get the chance to make you official members of the club, we hope that you continue to spread goodwill and find a local Rotaract Club to be a part of.

Thank you, D'Andra Andrews, for introducing Tammi and Joshua to RSENC.





## *Polio Cupcakes Sale*



The Rotaract Clubs of the Bahamas started the month of November off with a bang.

We joined forces with Interact Clubs to raise money to benefit *The World's Greatest Meal* and its efforts to eradicate Polio around the World. On that Saturday, all Clubs were stationed around a local Shopping Mall Strip where we sold a variety of baked goods, with Cupcakes being the staple item.

Not only did we raise money for a very important Rotary International initiative, but we were also able to connect and build relationships with our Interactors!

*Left - Pictured are RSENC Members as well as Members of the Interact Club of St. Anne's High School.*

## *End Polio Now Ribbons*

As a Club, we wanted to challenge ourselves to go beyond the Cupcake Sale to raise funds to help *End Polio Now*. RSENC Members began selling 'End Polio Now' ribbons during the month of October in preparation for World Polio Day on October 24.

We extended the sale until November 5 to allow more time for awareness and donations to be made to the cause. The sale of these pins coupled with our Cupcake Sale allowed us to raise \$607 to contribute to the donation made at the Joint Mix & Mingle.



## *Joint Rotaract Mix & Mingle with PRID John Smarge*



The Rotaract Clubs of the Bahamas hosted a Mix & Mingle with Guest of Honor PRID John Smarge. PRID John was presented with the funds collectively raised by Rotaract and Interact Clubs of the Bahamas during the Cupcake Sale.

RSENC's contribution also included the funds that were raised during our 3-week sale of 'End Polio Now' ribbons.

This Mix & Mingle served as one of this month's Regular Club Meetings. We were able to fellowship with Rotarians and Rotaractors from around the Bahamas in a high energy but intimate setting.

## *Rotaract Clubs of the Bahamas Joint Mix & Mingle with DG Paul Brown*

Rotary and Rotaract Clubs of the Bahamas held a Mix & Mingle with DG Paul Brown and his wife Kay. At the meeting, RSENC President Jacquilia took on the task of Mistress of Ceremonies, and PR Director Leah presented on the great work RSENC has done for the year.





## *District 7030 Leadership Training*

International Service Director Guerlancy travelled to Trinidad to participate in the 2014 District 7030 Leadership Training hosted by the Rotaract Club of Sangre Grande Central. This trip came about as a result of an invitation that was extended by our Twin Club from District 7030, the Rotaract Club of Grenada.

*At right - Rotaract Club of Grenada's Secretary Candy and RSENC International Service Director Guerlancy)*

## *Sharing a Thanksgiving Lunch with our Sponsor Club*

Each year, our Sponsor Club hosts a luncheon with the residents of the Nurse Naomi Anna Christie Centre for Older Persons. And each year, RSENC Members join in on the fellowship that includes a wonderful meal and sing along. Members were able to lend a helping hand and spend some time with a wonderful group of older persons who always share words of encouragement and love

*Below – members of both RSENC and our Sponsor Club RSEN*



## *Feeding Ministry Donation*

The Bethel Baptist Church Feeding Ministry provides hot breakfast and packed lunches to about 50 school aged students per day.

These children are not always able to have meals at home or have packed lunches during their school day.

RSENC made a donation and assisted in packaging lunches for the students this ministry reaches out to.

Our donation will be able to help in the lunch packaging efforts for one week, but we have also been able to solicit corporate donations to fund another week!

We hope to work with this group more often in the future.





## 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!

### *DEEP CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL EARLYACT PROGRAM*

DCMS's Earlyact president, Tyrin Culmer presenting funds derived from Breast Cancer month's initiative at their school. Funds are donated towards Eleuthera's Imaging Program (EIP). Job well done Earlyact!!



### *INTERACT PETS – KINGSTON, JAMAICA*







*Right above – with Francois St. Juste*



*Above left – with Richard Josephs    Right – with Andre Hylton*





*DGN Haresh Ramchandani and “selfies” at the Zone Institute, Asheville, North Caroline, November, 2014*



*... with DGE Felix Stubbs., with wife, Vindu, and with Marni Nixon, Club and District Support Co-ordinator from RI.*



*...with Randy Rawiszer and John Smarge. Below with David Edwards and PRID Barry Rassin*



*Below - with Roger White, DG Paul Brown and wife Kay, and PRIP Rick King*



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