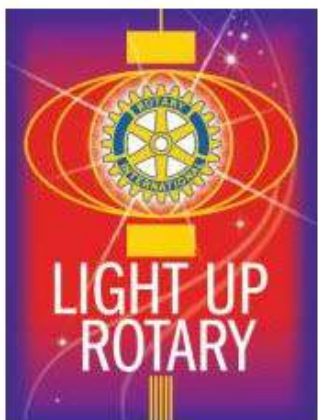


Rotary District 7020 Newsletter



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District 7020 Governor, Paul Brown (Jamaica)*

MAY 2015



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



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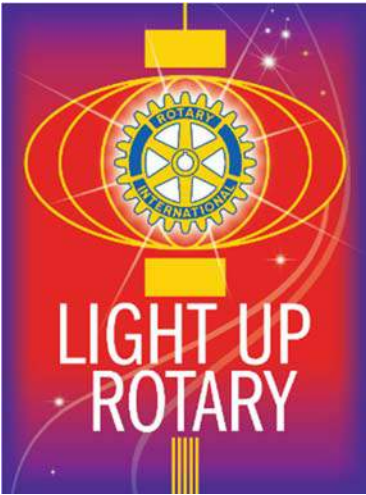
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MAY MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2014-15) PAUL BROWN



Fellow Rotarians, Rotary Alumni and Family of Rotary



I must start my message for this month on a somber note. This month, we lost a stalwart from our ranks in the name of PP Ramesh Manek, a member of the Rotary Club of St. Maarten Mid-Isle. PP Ramesh died under rather tragic circumstances and the news is so hard to bear. I try to seek some comfort in reminiscing on the bubbly, energetic person I knew him to be. Always cheerful, very willing and having a great passion for Rotary, Ramesh dedicated his latter years to the eradication of polio, raising funds by way of the World's Greatest Meals project he literally introduced us to in District 7020. As a result, we have been one of the top performing Districts in our Zone, and we are playing our part in achieving the goal set this Rotary year of raising \$3 million; a target we will supersede.

We have seen over the last few months some heartrending disasters in Vanuatu and Nepal more recently. We have already been asked to look at how we can contribute and help to ease suffering in these areas. The District acted swiftly to the disaster in Vanuatu. We made a donation of \$ 5000.00 towards relief aid in District 9910. We will be examining what we can do for the people living in Nepal, and we ask you to look out for further information to be posted on the District Website. If individual clubs wish to act now, we will be posting information shortly.

This month has no designation, maybe because we all seem to focus on our District and International celebration meetings. Kay and I hope that you too are preparing to come to Jamaica for an event we think will be very entertaining and educational. We hope to give you opportunities to have great fun and fellowship. We hope you will form new friendships - friendships that will be lasting and strong. At the end, we hope you will be re-energized and ready for another year of Rotary work.

Our Awards and Recognition Committee have had the opportunity to look at all the splendid work that has been done this year, significantly surpassing efforts in previous years. Our Clubs have performed remarkably well, and I wish to congratulate you all for the effort made. Make sure to register for the Conference Lunches where we will be making announcements and handing out these awards to the Club leaders.

But while we do all the celebrating, my fellow Rotarians, we still have much work to complete before the end of the year. Many Clubs have not completed their targets set at the beginning of the year; targets set in Membership Development, Service Projects and Rotary Foundation Giving, to name a few. I ask club leaders to go back to your Clubs, review the goals set, and plan how and when you will achieve those goals. We have just a few weeks left, and so we cannot lose time 'Lighting Up Rotary.' If we succeed in doing so, we will easily surpass all targets and open new vistas for others to follow.

In the weeks to come, you will see us appealing to you to honor your pledges to the Rotary Foundation. I have seen where many Clubs made no commitment, and others who have committed have only just started to address this. I know that this is the usual time Rotarians turn their attention to these matters. I am fine with that, but please do not forget.

I close with a bit of good news. We will very shortly be introducing you, fellow Rotarians, to another new Rotary Club that is being formed in the Old Fort Bay region of New Providence, Bahamas. We hope to hand them their Charter at the District Conference, and more officially after the Conference. Please look out for them, and make them feel welcome to our fold. We will also be having present with us, members from the Rotary Club of Memorial des Gonaives in Haiti. Let's welcome them as well.

Our District is truly a special and wonderful District, and I am so proud of all of you and all of our achievements. See you in a few weeks from now in Montego Bay where we will all be singing sweet songs to the sound of "Three Little Birds"!!

Paul Brown, District 7020 Governor (2014-15)

ABCs OF ROTARY



Cliff Dochterman
RI President 1992-93

FUNCTIONAL LITERACY PROGRAM

It has been estimated that a billion people – one-quarter of the world's population – are unable to read. Illiteracy of adults and children is a global concern in both highly industrialized nations and in developing countries. The number of adult illiterates in the world is increasing by 25 million each year! In the United States, one quarter of the entire population is considered functionally illiterate

The tragedy of illiteracy is that those who cannot read lose personal independence and become victims of unscrupulous manipulation, poverty and the loss of human feelings which give meaning to life. Illiteracy is demeaning. It is a major obstacle for economic, political, social and personal development. Illiteracy is a barrier to international understanding, cooperation and peace in the world.

Literacy education was considered a program priority by Rotary's original Health, Hunger and Humanity Committee in 1978. An early 3-H grant led to the preparation of an excellent source book on the issues of literacy in the world. The Rotary-sponsored publication, *The Right to Read*, was edited by Rotarian Eve Malmquist, a past district governor from Linköping, Sweden, and a recognized authority on reading and educational research. The book was the forerunner of a major Rotary program emphasis on literacy promotion.

Many Rotary clubs are thoughtfully surveying the needs of their community for literacy training. Some clubs provide basic books for teaching reading. Others establish and support reading and language clinics, provide volunteer tutorial assistance and purchase reading materials. Rotarians can play a vitally important part in their community and in developing countries by promoting projects to open opportunities which come from the ability to read

CONCERN FOR THE AGING

One current area of special emphasis for Rotary clubs focuses on providing "new opportunities for the aging." In 1990, the RI Board of Directors urged Rotarians to identify new projects serving the elderly that emphasize inter-generational activities and the integration of seniors into society and the workplace. The following year, the board called for an approach that stressed service "with" the elderly as well as "for" them.

With the substantial upswing in the worldwide population of older persons, their needs for special attention have greatly multiplied. As citizens grow older, it becomes increasingly important for them to retain their personal independence and to remain in control of their own lives to the extent this is possible.

Many Rotary clubs are seeking ways to serve the older persons of their community who face problems of deteriorating health, loneliness, poor nutrition, transportation difficulties, inability to do customary chores, loss of family associations, reduced recreational opportunities, inadequate housing and limited information about available social agencies for emergency assistance. Some clubs have initiated a valuable community service to assist older persons in retirement planning and adjustment by organizing and sharing the wealth of information available within the club's membership. Other clubs have developed foster grandparent programs and other intergenerational activities that allow seniors to use their experience and knowledge to help young people. Rotarians often can provide services which seniors can no longer do for themselves.

The greatest need of aging individuals is frequently a mere expression of real caring and concern by thoughtful friends. All Rotarians should seriously consider how they and their clubs may actively participate in programs for the aging. It is one area of community service in which there is a growing possibility that each of us may some day be on the receiving end.

INTER-COUNTRY COMMITTEES

In 1931, Rotarians in France and Germany organized the "petit comité," a small group with the goal of fostering better relations between the people of these two neighbouring nations. Since that time, Rotarians throughout Europe have led the way in creating Inter-country Committees to encourage contacts between Rotarians and Rotary Clubs across national boundaries.

Inter-country Committees have now been established in many parts of the world to promote friendship as well as to cooperate in sponsoring World Community Service projects, student exchanges, and other activities to improve understanding among nations. Frequently, the Inter-country Committees sponsor visits of Rotarians and their families across national borders and arrange intercultural meetings and conferences.

In some instances, Inter-country Committees provide an additional means for Rotary clubs and Rotarians to fulfill the responsibilities of the Fourth Avenue of Service – international understanding, goodwill, and peace in the world.

RIBI

The structure of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland (RIBI) forms an interesting chapter in our history. In 1914, after Rotary expanded across the Atlantic to Great Britain and Ireland, a British Association of Rotary Clubs was established as part of the International Association of Rotary Clubs. During World War I, there was little contact between the international clubs, and the British association held the small number of Rotary clubs together in Great Britain, Ireland and a few other European communities.

Following the war, a new Rotary International Constitution was adopted in 1922 which established the principle that whenever a country had 25 Rotary clubs, it could become a “territorial unit” and thus have a representative on the RI board and receive other specific powers. The clubs in Great Britain and Ireland immediately petitioned for and received the status of a “territorial unit.” No other group in the world made such a request or received that status.

In 1927 Rotary International terminated the territorial unit concept and organized Rotary clubs by “areas” of the world. However, all of “the rights, privileges and powers of existing territorial units” were forever protected and perpetuated. Thus, since RIBI was the only territorial unit, it has continued to function as an independent unit of Rotary International, subject to certain approvals by the RI Constitutions.

The RIBI form of administration is uniquely appropriate to Great Britain and Ireland because of geography, language, tradition and custom. Because of this historic relationship, RIBI maintains a slightly different administrative structure from all the other Rotary clubs and districts in the world, even though it is a full member of Rotary International.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

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?



VOCATIONAL TRAINING TEAM IN ST. MAARTEN

Vocational Training Team



Pictured are some hosts with the VTT : Janneke Mazereeuw / Rebecca Low / Peter Mazereeuw / Sheridan Moreton-Judd

The area of focus and goals of the VTT from Canada were:

Education/Literacy, specifically sport education and literacy for children, by working with the local government, (Ministry of Sport, Recreation and Culture), Rotary Clubs of St Maarten and Anguilla, public schools, local sport organizations, teams, coaches, and volunteers. The goal is to educate coaches, volunteers, and teachers in coaching methodologies while working with children and introduce them to playing sports, in order to lead healthy active lifestyles, make healthy choices, reduce childhood obesity, provide achievable goals, and to learn and educate through sport.

In addition, provide sport specific educational camp(s) to children, teachers, parents, volunteers, and coaches, in order to:

Introduce them to leading healthy active lives, provide hope for further education and literacy, reduce gender disparity and demonstrate all inclusiveness, expose them to the values of commitment, discipline, fair play, and sportsmanship through recreation and sport.

Dear Esteemed Fellow Rotarians: DG Paul, AG Rebecca, President Seymour and VTT Chair Ryan,

I am writing on behalf of the Vocational Training Team from District 7090 that was recently hosted in District 7020, specifically in St. Maarten and Anguilla. This VTT's mission was to provide knowledge and assistance in the area of sport education and physical literacy for children, coaches, teachers and sport associations.

During our time in District 7020 we were extremely active in a wide variety of activities. Please see the summarized list following this email! We had an impact on over 5000 people!

Of course this wouldn't have been possible without the commitment and dedication of the organizing team of District 7020, particularly Rebecca Low, Sheridan Morton-Judd, Peter Mazereeuw and Seymour Hodge. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you and District 7020 for hosting this VTT. The hospitality of each of the hosts was so gracious and hospitable. The organization of the itinerary and activities during the 3 weeks was very detailed, varied in nature, and complemented our mission in so many ways. We were welcomed, appreciated and treated with respect at every event.

This amazing adventure far exceeded our expectations and this is due to the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self" and energy of "Doing Good in the World" extended by District 7020's VTT organizing team. You have not only changed our lives forever, but also each of the individuals that we were able to work with throughout our journey.

We will be eternally grateful for your hospitality and including us in your Rotary family. It is our sincere hope that these newly forged relationships will be ones that continue for a lifetime.

Gratefully Yours,

*Lezlie Murch, Darren Luong, Laura Chatterton, Jean Montgomery, Michael Hogg
District 7090 VTT*

SUMMARY OF THE TEAM'S ACTIVITIES

Summary of Activities during the VTT March 2015

Schools – total of 16

1. Sister Borgia
2. Marie Laurence
3. Sister Magda
4. Joseph
5. Domenic Primary
6. Domenic High School
7. Sister Regina
8. Oranje
9. Alben Lake Hodge High School - only High School Anguilla
10. Adrian T. Hazel Primary
11. Alwyn Allison Primary
12. Orealia Kelly Primary
13. Valley Primary
14. Blossom Centre - Anguilla - toddlers to 5 yrs. with special needs
15. Dove Centre - Anguilla
16. Omololu Institute

Rotary Meetings – total of 5

1. St. Martin Sunrise - Library
2. St. Maarten Midisle - Mary's Boon
3. St. Marten - Divi Little Bay
4. Rotary Club of Anguilla - Ripples
5. Interact of Anguilla - High school

After-School Programs – total of 8

- 1.RISC - soccer and tennis
- 2.LBSSA - basketball
- 3.Dynamics
- 4.Soualiga Women's Soccer
- 5.All schools listed above after school program, sponsored by Rotary Clubs
- 6.Anguilla Tennis Academy
7. T. Burnett Baseball program for at risk children
8. Blowing Point Youth Development Centre

Special Events – total of 22

- 1.Girl Power Camp - sponsored by Rotary Sunrise
- 2.Two days spent with Physical Education coaches - leadership, team building, brainstorming, curriculum development and demonstrations
- 3.Anguilla Church Service Palm Sunday and brunch
- 4.Foster Children dinner sponsored by Sunrise Rotary - team served, decorated, cleaned up
- 5.Foster Parents recognition lunch at Waikiki Beach, sponsored by Sunrise Club
6. Primary School Sports Day - Marshalls -Anguilla
7. Radio interview with team - Anguilla
8. TV interview with Lezlie and Seymour - Anguilla
9. Dinner with Rotarian Nick by invitation, White Swan
10. Appreciation Lunch hosted by Catholic School Board
11. Meeting with Ministry of Sport and Culture: Jonelle, James Buzby, + ?? - Mike and Lezlie to discuss ministry curriculum.
12. Meeting with Rhonda, Schools Director - all + Seymour to discuss observations, next steps
13. Meeting with Minister of Tourism, SXM - all +Rebecca, Okama
14. Visit to Tyrone House built by Rotary Club of Anguilla (Tyrone is a young man, 31 yrs old, blind).
15. Visit to NIS National Institute for the Arts
16. DYC Job Link Up
17. Zenaida Haven - Basketball with young men at risk
18. Grant writing for Sports Associations
19. Meeting with sports officials and educators - Anguilla
20. Tour Heritage Collection Museum - Anguilla
21. Miriam Gumbs Seniors Home - music
22. Taekwondo - Anguilla

School Programs delivered:

- School Managers & Office Staff - Team building, reflection, Ice breakers, experiential learning, nutrition, SXM Coaches development seminar - Importance of Nutrition and physical education
- Use of music in the gymnasium + movement education
 - Intramural sports in schools
 - Importance of forming a physical education organization and becoming members in International body
 - Incorporating learned skills in everyday life
 - Develop a healthy lifestyle
 - Getting the entire family involved
 - Update on software available for physical education
 - Basic outline re development of an internationally recognized program
 - Sport injuries and physical therapy
 - How to develop coaching manuals
 - Social Workers and Student Care Coordinators:
 - Mental control of anxiety, Visualisation, discussion around issues they face, solutions

IT: Darren

- Responsible use of media, cyberbullying, oversharing, appropriateness, upgrading of skills, assisting in classes.
- Session on wireless security at the high school

Mike:

- Concerts, folk dance, delivered in every opportunity

Equipment and Supplies delivered

- 1500 Bookmarks
- Canada pins, District pins, Light up Rotary pins
- 5 RC St. Catharines banners
- 2 RC E-club banners
- Gifts of maple syrup, Canada pens, pencils, flags
- 2 large equipment bags
- 40 basketballs
- 30 soccer balls
- 30 volleyballs
- 50 skipping ropes
- 60 Fox 40 whistles
- 25 harmonicas
- 18 gator balls
- 72 tennis balls
- 2 ball hoppers
- 60 I CAN books
- 40 miscellaneous children's books



HOW DO I FIND NEW CLUB MEMBERS?

*...submitted by Camille Seaton (Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020)
...from rotary.org*

Rotarians join and stay with their clubs primarily because they seek opportunities for community service, fellowship, and friendship. Many of the non-Rotarians you know are looking for the same things. Invite them to help with your service projects, attend a networking night, or participate in a club get-together and help them see for themselves how Rotary connects leaders to make a positive change.

Here are some potential candidates to consider for membership:

- Friends and family members
- Business acquaintances
- Professional colleagues
- Younger community leaders who are already connected to Rotary through Rotaract, RYLA, peace fellowships, Youth Exchange, and other programs

Learn more in the guide [Strengthening Your Membership: Creating Your Membership Development Plan](#).

HOST AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING

You can share the benefits of joining your club by hosting an information session for potential and new members. Find ideas, along with sample formats, resources, and worksheets in [New Member Orientation: A How-to Guide for Clubs](#).

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER INFORMATION SESSION

Invite club members to share their experiences, talk about your club's service projects and social activities, and give an overview of Rotary.

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Help new members expand their understanding of Rotary by hosting a series of information sessions. Suggested topics include Rotary history, opportunities for service, and The Rotary Foundation.

COURSES AND WEBINARS

Encourage new and existing members to take advantage of the many resources available through Rotary to stay current. Courses in the Learning Center and webinars make it easy to learn at your own pace.

HOW DO I ENGAGE CURRENT MEMBERS?

Work hard to deliver an experience that will keep members engaged and excited about Rotary. Successful strategies include:

- Regularly recognizing members for their achievements
- Keeping members involved in club projects and activities
- Encouraging members to take on club leadership roles
- Sending out monthly email newsletters

USE SOCIAL MEDIA TO ATTRACT MEMBERS

Is your club on Facebook? Is your website up-to-date? Are you sharing information about your club's activities and projects with your community? Having an active social media presence can help attract new members and inspire current ones. Find ideas for developing your [social media strategy and public image](#).

JOINING A CLUB

Whether you're a Rotary member looking for a new club, an alumnus wanting to reconnect with Rotary, or you know a person who would make a great club member, we can help you make that connection.

Interested in learning more about joining Rotary? Clubs accept new members by invitation, so we recommend first reaching out to one in your area.

- Find a [club](#)
- Join a [new club](#)
- [Recommend a potential member](#)
- [Start a club](#)



SUNDAY, MAY 10

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

NASSAU, BAHAMAS

WEEKEND OF APRIL 24-25



Can you identify any of your club members who attended?

Don't forget the website – www.7020.org

Click the centre panel to access our D7020 ClubRunner website!

| WHAT IS ROTARY DISTRICT 7020? | WHO ARE WE? | WHAT DO WE DO? | PROJECT PORTAL | Register for District Conference |
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Fellow Rotarians,

The time for our international convention is drawing near. I hope that you have all finalized your plans, from registration to travel arrangements and accommodation. While doing so, please check to ensure that you meet all the requirements for entry to Brazil.

If you are not sure about whether or not a visa is required, I encourage you to make contact with the nearest embassy or consulate to confirm. The requirements may vary based on country of origin and/or nationality. And while we are eager to have good representation from District 7020, we are unable to manage the visa process from one location given the geographical challenges of our District.

If you are attending, I ask that you indicate to me via email so we can plan ahead and try to organize our customary D7020 meet and greet dinner at some point during the convention. Your confirmation would greatly assist us in planning and ensuring that adequate arrangements can be made to facilitate this awesome opportunity to fellowship on foreign soil.

Please share the information during your club meeting this week as we try to reach all Rotarians in District 7020

Brazil promises to be exciting and I can't wait to see you all there!

PP Audley Knight
District Convention Chair

PS .Based on our understanding, citizens of UK or Barbados do not need a visa to travel to Brazil for stays of less than 90 days.



EXCHANGE IDEAS

Expand your network-and your worldview.

TAKE ACTION

Help us create lasting change in communities around the world.



WINNERS

Club-of-the-Month

| MONTH | CLUB NAME | SIZE | PRESIDENT |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| AUGUST <i>Membership and Partnerships</i> | E-CLUB OF THE CARIBBEAN, 7020 | 25 and under (20) | Amarylis Dávila-Agosto |
| | ROADTOWN | Over 25 (55) | Shan Mohamed |
| SEPTEMBER <i>New Generations</i> | SINT MAARTEN MID-ISLE | 25 and under (20) | Wayne Wilkie |
| | TORTOLA | Over 25 (95) | Henry Creque |
| OCTOBER <i>...Service – Vocational, Community & International</i> | MONTEGO BAY SUNRISE | 25 and under (22) | Suzette Ramdanie-Linton |
| | ELEUTHERA | Over 25 (30) | Julian Carey |
| NOVEMBER <i>...The Rotary Foundation</i> | PIGNON | 25 and under (20) | Duchenet Bernard |
| | EAST NASSAU | Over 25 (117) | Elmer Lowe |
| DECEMBER <i>...Family-of-Rotary Month</i> | ABACO | 25 and under (21) | Steve Davis |
| | KINGSTON | Over 25 (74) | Francois St. Juste |
| JANUARY <i>...Rotary Awareness Month</i> | TRAFALGAR NEW HEIGHTS | 25 and under (18) | Coleen Lewis |
| | GRAND CAYMAN | Over 25 (106) | Brian Hurley |
| FEBRUARY <i>...Rotary World Understanding Month</i> | ST. MARTIN SUNRISE | 25 and under (22) | Virginia Asin-Oostburg |
| | GRAND CAYMAN SUNRISE | Over 25 (70) | Kim Remizowski |
| MARCH <i>...Rotary Areas of Focus</i> | MONTEGO BAY | 25 and under (22) | Ben Bulls |
| | ST. ANDREW NORTH | Over 25 (47) | Lascelles Poyser |

CLUB-OF-THE MONTH

Ideas to Share



PP Marcellia Henry

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

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

For the month of March, 'Literacy Month', a number of innovative ideas were once again executed by the Rotary clubs of our district, which I will now share.

Some of the literacy projects organized by our brilliant clubs include holding readings at primary schools and the library, and organizing reading, debate and essay competitions. Some clubs even participated in afterschool tutoring, mentoring, and buddy programs to assist primary school children with their reading and writing. Many clubs used their Facebook and webpage to promote literacy, while guest speakers were also invited to speak on topics related to literacy. And yet other clubs distributed eye glasses, dictionaries and thesauruses, and honored veteran advocates of literacy on their islands.

Right - Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise at their 'Buy a Kid a Book fundraiser'

Computer Assisted Literacy Solutions (CALS) program were also sponsored by a few clubs, and international literacy projects were sponsored and continue to be sponsored by some of our generous Rotary Clubs.

Some clubs like the [Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise](#), hosted book drives to encourage persons to buy a book or make a donation, whilst others collected new or used books in good condition.



Rotary Clubs also celebrated and awarded their local winners and participants of the Butterfly Storybook competition.

Marlie Hughes (left) with classmates from First Impression Primary School in first row. In the back, AG Delma, PDG Diana, Rotaract President Jevaugh, Butterfly Chair Valerie and President Henry.

The [Rotary Club of East Nassau](#) promoted their signature project, Project Read, which is an adult reading program that teaches adults to read free of charge.

The program was established in 1991 by the club in response to the challenge of Rotary International to start an adult functional literacy program in the Bahamas. The organization is run by 31 tutors who meet with 50 plus students twice a week.



Several of the board members and tutors are Rotarians and the Rotary Club of East Nassau gives an annual donation to the independent charity organization. What a wonderful project! Two Thumbs up!



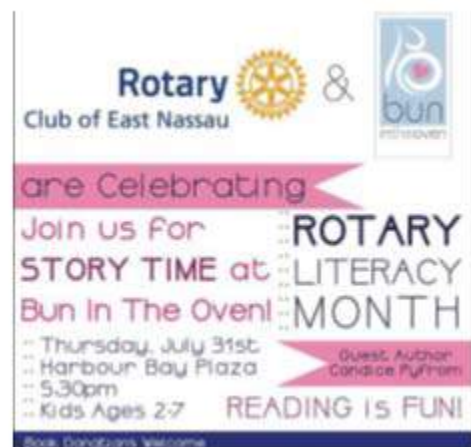
At left – The Spelling Bee Competition, Rotary Club of Road Town



The Rotary Club of East Nassau also hosted a family reading night at a local baby supply retail store. Children's books written by a local author were branded with their club stamp and given to the children. Nice!



Family reading and maternal education night



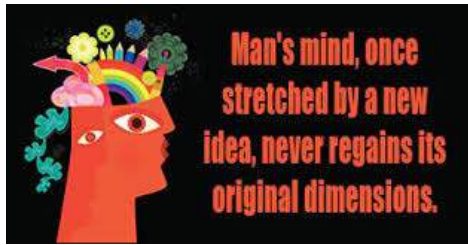
Finally, as part of the club's outreach effort for Rotary International's Literacy theme for the month of March, the [Rotary Club of St. Andrew North](#) embarked on a project to provide the Mary's Child and St. Anthony's Home for Teen Mothers and their Babies with a custom built library.

The project saw Rotarians and Rotaractors carrying out refurbishment works to an existing room at the home in the form of cleaning and painting to the existing walls.

The room was further enhanced and enabled to house and display books by the fabrication of custom wall mounted and standing shelves. Great Initiative!

Creating a Library at Mary's Child and St. Anthony's Home for Teen Mothers and their Babies





That's it for this edition and remember,
*"Everything begins with an idea." - Earl
Nightengale*



Please send Club-of-the-Month submissions to COTM7020@gmail.com



ROTARY, SHELTERBOX

organizing aid for quake victims in Nepal

Rescue missions and emergency aid continue to arrive in Nepal after a massive earthquake hit the country on 25 April, killing at least 5,200 people and injuring thousands more. The 7.8-magnitude quake, the worst to hit Nepal in more than 80 years, has affected 8 million people in the country's 39 districts, including 1.4 million needing food assistance, according to government officials.

"Rotarians worldwide stand together in expressing a profound sadness at the devastation resulting from this weekend's deadly earthquake in Nepal," says RI President Gary C.K. Huang. "As we mourn the thousands of lives lost, Rotary joins other international agencies in providing immediate relief to survivors and mobilizing our expertise to support long-term recovery and rebuilding efforts throughout the country."

Rotary District 3292 in Nepal set up a disaster relief fund to help victims in the hardest hit areas. Immediate funds will go towards food, water, medical supplies, and shelter. For information on how you can help, **contact District Governor Rabindra Kumar Piya.**

Rotary partner **ShelterBox** is sending a response team to the affected areas to determine immediate needs. Because of previous disasters in Nepal, the group already has tents and other non-food items ready for deployment.

[Read RI President Gary C.K. Huang's statement](#)

[Learn more about ShelterBox](#)

Send questions to relief@rotary.org

Rotary News
27-Apr-2015

Contact has been made with DGE Keshav Kunmar D3292 in Nepal and he advises the following;

We at RID 3292 in Nepal are thankful for your interest and concern for the support to the victims from the devastating earthquake in Nepal. There is big loss in terms of properties and human casualties.

We in Rotary Nepal have the total management system in place including with the immediate and long terms Action Plans. For immediate relief, we are badly in need of relief materials such as ShelterBox, Tents, blankets, dry foods etc.

For your Kind information, the death toll till date has reached close to 5000 according to Ministry of Home and it is expected to increase. More than 9000 people are injured.

In rural areas, about 90 per cent of houses have collapsed, which is very high in number, more than 15,000. As a long term Action Plan, My District 3292 has decided to construct 1000 low cost houses under Global Grant. The cost of one such house will be about US\$ 3000 and the total cost will be US\$ 3 million. Few Districts including some from US and India have already shown interest to participate in this project. There will be about 6 or 7 such Global Grant projects for the construction of 1000 low cost houses. We will highly appreciate if you can help to take this project ahead also by the participation of your Club or District.

We have special account for relief support by monitory contribution. For in any case, the account details are as follows:

- Name of the Bank: NMB Bank Ltd, Nepal
- Account Holder: RI District 3292 Disaster Relief Fund
- Swift Code : NMBBNPKA
- Account Number: 00100005455A

Please feel free to contact me if you have or develop any queries.

With warmest regards

DGE Rtn Keshav Kunwar

Further to that, we have heard from ShelterBox this morning (April 30th) and they report the following;

We have two teams now in Kathmandu, one arrived safely and the second arrived yesterday. We should have another two teams arriving in the next few days. Within the city, households are mainly relying on generator power due to widespread power shortages. Food and water supplies are also scarce although some markets are beginning to reopen. Due to fears over the on-going aftershocks people have been sleeping outdoors.

We have confirmed an initial consignment of 500 shelter kits 500 tents, via a charter leaving Dubai Sat. Landing permits are not yet confirmed at Kathmandu. We suspect that congestion and backlogs at the airport are going to be significant. Rotary have been confirmed as consignee for this initial package and we're getting excellent support from local Rotaractors for our personnel.

A Kathmandu distribution of the prepositioned equipment is underway with Rotary/IFRC and Nepalese Red Cross Society (NRCS). We have tents in use as mobile clinics already.

We have planned a second consignment of 500 tents and 500 shelter kits, solar lamps and water purification, but all dependent on access and consignee status. The UN Logistics Cluster is looking at routes into India, so we may be able to consider routing in India and then onward trucking north into Nepal from India.

It's all very much in a state of flux, and information and plans are changing pretty much on a daily basis, but I hope this gives you some flavour of how we're responding.

PRID Barry also advises that a DAF is being set up at TRF for Nepal relief (similar to how we responded so effectively in Haiti) but naturally, this will take more time and will be a long term solution rather than immediate response.

IN SUMMARY

If immediate response, recommended route is [SHELTERBOX](#) or the D3292 Fund detailed above.

We will advise DAF account details when available if sustained response is preferred.

Club Charter Celebrations

Celebration/Activity Date

| | |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Attendance Report Due</i> | 3 rd of the month |
| Club Charter Celebrations | |
| <i>East Nassau, Bahamas</i> | May 6, 1963 |
| <i>Nassau Sunrise, Bahamas</i> | May 8, 2001 |
| <i>St. Croix Mid-Isle, USVI</i> | May 13, 1988 |
| <i>E-Club of the Virgin Islands (Rotary E)</i> | May 16, 2013 |
| <i>Providenciales, Turks & Caicos</i> | May 17, 1996 |
| <i>North St. Catherine, Jamaica</i> | May 19, 2008 |
| <i>St. John, USVI</i> | May 21, 1999 |
| <i>Montrouis, Haiti</i> | May 30, 2012 |
| <i>New Providence, Bahamas</i> | June 1, 1988 |
| <i>Bayonnais, Gonnaives</i> | June 5, 2012 |
| <i>Saint Michel de L'Attalaye, Haiti</i> | June 5, 2003 |
| <i>Negril, Jamaica</i> | June 10, 2004 |
| <i>St. Martin Nord</i> | June 10, 1988 |
| <i>Santa Cruz, Jamaica</i> | June 10, 1980 |
| <i>St. Mary, Jamaica</i> | June 11, 2010 |
| <i>Anguilla</i> | June 15, 1978 |
| <i>St. Martin Sunrise</i> | June 17, 2004 |
| <i>Kingston, Jamaica</i> | June 18, 1959 |
| <i>Montego Bay East, Jamaica</i> | June 22, 1992 |
| <i>Christiana, Jamaica</i> | June 28, 1971 |
| <i>May Pen, Jamaica</i> | June 29, 1990 |
| <i>Hinche Centre, Haiti</i> | June 30, 2003 |
| <i>Kingston East and Port Royal, Jamaica</i> | June 30, 1999 |
| <i>Liguanea Plains, Jamaica</i> | June 30, 2005 |
| <i>Mirebalais Centre, Haiti</i> | June 30, 2005 |
| <i>Verrettes L'Artibonite, Haiti</i> | June 30, 2005 |

ROTARY CALENDAR – REVISED 2015

| Month | Designation |
|-----------|------------------------------------------|
| July | Beginning of Rotary year of service |
| August | Membership and Extension |
| September | Basic Education and Literacy |
| October | Economic and Community Development |
| November | Rotary Foundation |
| December | Disease Prevention and Treatment |
| January | Vocational Service |
| February | Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution |
| March | Water and Sanitation |
| April | Maternal and Child Health |
| May | Youth Services |
| June | Rotary Fellowships |



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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UPDATE ON POLIO

...submitted by District Rotary Foundation Chair, Lindsey Cancino



April 24-30 was World Immunization Week and as we all know, Rotary has been front and centre in this effort through its Polio Plus campaign for 30 years now. We are so very close to eradicating polio.

As of the last week of April, there have been 22 new cases of polio in the world in 2015 (compared with 62 YTD in 2014) and more notable is the fact that of the endemic countries left in the world, Nigeria has had **zero** new cases in 2015 so far, Afghanistan only one, and Pakistan 21.

This is significant progress in both Afghanistan and Nigeria, which is on track for the first year of no new cases in history. Yes, the remaining challenges are significant as conflict, misinformation, extremely remote geography and violence make bringing Pakistan particularly to zero quite a task. But we remain unshaken and resolved to finish the job.



The late Ramesh Manek

Which brings me to the part that is both tragic but inspirational at the same time -

In the past week, D7020, which has had a long and proud history of supporting the Polio Eradication effort, lost one of its most passionate and dedicated soldiers in the campaign; PP Ramesh Manek. Ramesh was the Rotarian responsible, as D7020 Country Coordinator, for the incredible spread of the **World's Greatest Meal** fundraising event in D7020 as a new, unique and fun way to raise money for the End Polio Now effort.

Ramesh was killed in a senseless accident in Sint Maarten and was laid to rest there. Ramesh was also an incoming AG and was to take the reigns as Polio Eradication chair in D7020 next year also; his passion for Rotary and the Polio effort knew no bounds and we will miss him terribly. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his wife Reena and their 3 daughters, Anjali, Sanjana and Lavina.

Now for the inspirational part -

As a tribute to Ramesh, one of our clubs made their meeting on Friday a WGM in his name and raised \$1,025 toward the Polio Plus fund. When matched with the 2-for-1 contribution from the Gates Foundation, this became \$3,075 and more incredibly, was responsible for putting the global funds raised by WGM events over the \$1,000,000 mark (\$3,000,000 with the Gates match) and that translates to **5,000,000 vaccinations!**

The WGM Chair, Susanne Rae, dedicated this as "**The Ramesh Manek 5 Million Polio Vaccination Achievement**" in his honor; and so Ramesh's dedication to the cause continues to bring incredible results to it.

What a fitting memorial for a great humanitarian. Rest in Peace Ramesh.

Let's keep the WGM alive in D7020, hold more of these events, and ensure that Ramesh's dedication is rewarded. I know he would have wanted it that way.

Lindsey J. Cancino
District 7020
District Rotary Foundation Chair



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

The Rotary Foundation has been so effective because it matches money with people.

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

Coming Events

Mothers' Day

Sunday, May 10

D7020 Conference 2015 – May

May 12-16, 2015
Montego Bay, Jamaica

RI Convention – June

June 6 – 9, 2015
Sao Paulo, Brazil

July 2015

New RI President
K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran

July 2015

(Barry Rassin becomes the aide to RI President)

July 2015

New D7020 Governor
Felix Stubbs
Nassau, Bahamas

CLUB NEWS – Where is your club?

ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARTIN SUNRISE

...submitted by Kameela Piper

Readers are Leaders – Successful Poetry Evening

In celebration of World Poetry Day, the Readers are Leaders group organized a Poetry Evening on March 18th entitled: “Expression of Words”. Young poets from St. Maarten Academy, St. Maarten Vocational Training School, St. Maarten Academy PSVE, Sundial, and St. Dominic High School participated in the event.



The Philipsburg Jubilee Library, Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise and the Sint Maarten National Commission for UNESCO would like to congratulate the Reader Are Leaders Board for a fabulous evening of poetry.

Special thanks also go out to the guest poets: La Rich – Lucinda Audain, Julie Alcin and Lenworth Wilson Jr. for sharing their love and passion for the art of the spoken word to the next generation. Also, to the Elemental Jedi Dancing Crew for their spectacular performance.

At left - Rotarian & UNESCO Secretary General Marcellia Henry (front row 2nd left) and Readers are Leaders Poetry Evening participants.

Rotary Sunrise closes Rotary has Heart initiative

Philipsburg, April 12, 2015: Rotary Sunrise closed off its “Rotary has Heart” initiative by hosting a 3-course dinner event for children from a foster home on Sint Maarten. This event was a collaboration with the National Institute for Professional Advancement, NIPA. The purpose of the event was to offer the children a real life experience dining in a fancy restaurant, served a 3-course meal with aperitif, main course and desert. The aim of this project was twofold: 1) to have the members actively involved throughout the entire process from purchasing of the groceries until the preparation and serving of the meal and cleaning up after; and 2) to do the project in a joint venture with NIPA.

The purpose for collaborating with NIPA was to promote the educational opportunities they offer to the youth of Sint Maarten to learn a vocation in their home country. The project also offered NIPA an opportunity to teach students service to the community by volunteering in the event.

With the unwavering support from Ms. Renata de Weever, Hospitality Coordinator at NIPA, a menu was put together to suit the taste of the children, groceries were purchased and on the day of the event, NIPA opened their fully equipped professional kitchen to volunteering Rotarians to cook. Students from NIPA volunteered their time to assist in the coaching of the Rotarians for the preparation of the recipes.

The funds for the event came from fundraising through selling of Rotary has Heart aprons; all volunteers were asked to put on their apron for the event.

The event also had an educational aspect; before serving the children their meal, Ms. Renata de Weever, gave the children instructions on table etiquette for professionals. They learned about how to set the table and how to use spoon, fork and knife during a dinner. Each of the children received a handout with these instructions to take home for future reference.

Twenty children in total ranging in age from 1 – 18 years old came to the dinner accompanied by three caretakers. The dinner was a delicious fun experience for the children that ended with spontaneous karaoke singing from the NIPA students and the children from the home.

During the closing remarks, President Virginia Asin expounded on the potential power of youth for the future of Sint Maarten fitting into the Rotary International's year theme "Light Up Rotary", which was derived by a Chinese proverb "it is better to light a single candle than curse the darkness". She encouraged everyone to be a source of light in the world.

President Asin was very ecstatic about the final activity in the series of events from Rotary Sunrise "Rotary has Heart" initiative and expressed her gratitude and appreciation to NIPA for giving the club to make use of their facilities and students for this project.

The club meets at Philipsburg Jubilee Library Conference Room every Tuesday mornings at 7:00am for fellowship and breakfast. For more information on the club visit us at sxmsunrise.org or email sunriserotary.sxm@hotmail.com, we are also on Facebook: Rotary Club of Saint Martin Sunrise



Above - The kitchen crew and Volunteers. Rotarians in the blue aprons, the students in white coats and Chef de Cuisine Renata de Weever in black

Real mothers don't eat quiche; they don't have
time to make it.

JOIN LEADERS

Connect with leaders from all continents, cultures, and occupations.

I don't think of all the misery, but of the beauty
that still remains.
-- Anne Frank

ROTARY CLUB OF LEOGANE, HAITI

...submitted by Fritz G. Pierre-Louis

On World Water Day, the Rotary Club of Leogane has partnered with a non-profit organization named Waves for Water, to distribute a 100 sawyer water filtration system to 25 groups of Rara in different localities of Leogane.



ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MAARTEN MID-ISLE

...submitted by Veronica Jansen-Webster

Rotary Charity Motor Treasure Hunt a Great Success

Rotary Club of St. Maarten Mid Isle recently organized the 5th edition of its Charity Motor Treasure Hunt. Eighteen cars with teams of 4 people participated in this year's treasure hunt. Each team donated \$500 in order to participate.

The route started at the Kimsha beach in Simpson bay and covered a large part of the Dutch side of the island. Each team had to follow the route according to the script given and answer questions based on clues that they would find on the route. They also had to answer a number of riddles and were required to do a little activity at three set places on the route. A small section of the French side was also included when participants were asked to climb to the highest point of St. Louis and take a selfie.

All participants had lots of fun on the route. There was food and drinks available after the route for the teams while the points were tallied.

There were prizes for best decorated vehicle, best team costume and the prize for the treasure hunt.



- Oysterbay Resort's Lost Tourists won the best decorated vehicle.
- SOL #2 Shell Lubes Placed second.
- BDO Pirates placed third.



In the category Best Dressed Team, The winner was Sol 1 SOL go Further. In second place was Oysterbay Resort's Lost Tourists and in third place was SOL 2 Shell Lubes.

The treasure hunt was won by Oysterbay Resort's Lost Tourists with 308 points. Second was Nagico 1 with 306 points and third place went to Asha Steven's Hillside Christian School with 304 points.

- The first place team won \$1500.
- Second place won \$1000
- Third place won \$500.

There were also lots of nice prizes in a raffle for all present. Raffle prizes included hotel stays at Mary's Boone Hotel, Sonesta Great Bay and Oysterbay. There were also other lovely prizes donated by Kwik Bargains, Value Jewelers.

Rotary Club of St. Maarten Mid-Isle will hand over all funds raised from the Charity Motor Treasure Hunt to Digikidz for their project to bring technology into the schools. Rotary Mid Isle would like to congratulate all the winning teams and thank all sponsors for their contribution in making this a very successful fundraising event. For more pictures of this event please view our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/rotarysxmmidisle

Real mothers often have sticky floors,
filthy ovens, and happy kids.



TRAGIC LOSS FOR ST. MAARTEN AND FOR DISTRICT 7020

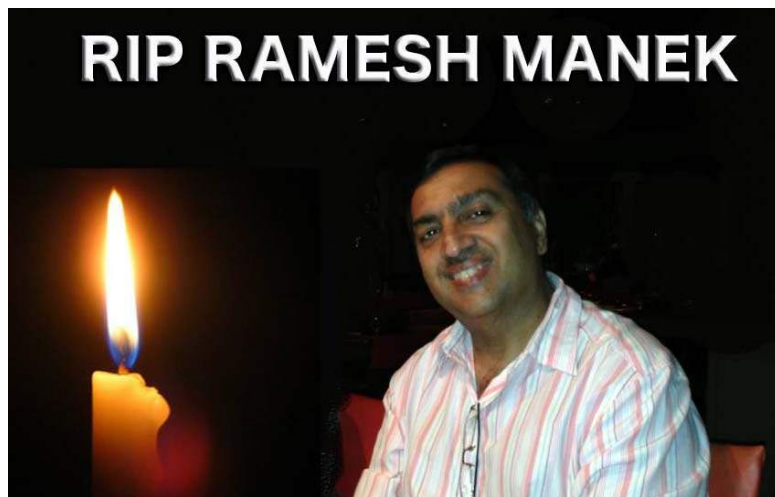
Rotary Club of Mid-Isle – and the entire District of 7020 – lost an excellent Rotarian in Ramesh Manek on Thursday morning, April 16, as the result of a tragic road accident. The club held a memorial walk in honour of Ramesh on Sunday morning, April 19, at 6:00 in the morning – the time of the accident.

The club members – and many other supporters – walked to the location of the accident where they laid flowers and remembrances.

Ramesh had helped most recently in District 7020 with Club of the Month, with the World's Greatest Meal to Eradicate Polio, and Ramesh was looking forward to becoming the Assistant Governor in St. Maarten beginning July of 2015.

A great and tragic loss to Rotary. A huge loss to all those who knew and cherished Ramesh!





ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS

...submitted by Mary Gleason



The Rotary Club of St Thomas gave six Paul Harris awards at the annual dinner held March 14, 2015.

Pictured here are Dr. Alfred O. Heath, recognized for his untiring work.

Below - the photo includes Erik, Gloria, Jackie, the Van Beverholds, Coleen



At left - Championship boxer, Julius Jackson, son of three time World Champion and Boxing Hall of Famer Julian Jackson is pictured here with Rotary Club of St Thomas President, Erik Ackerson.

Mr. Jackson spoke recently to Rotarians about his life in the ring and his current work with disadvantaged youth

IF IT IS TO BE
IT IS UP TO ME

The Rotary Club of St Thomas also recently held a BBQ for the Boys and Girls Club.



Also, recently Lavele Campbell spoke at Rotary Club of St. Thomas about his documentary "Gangs in Paradise."

He is pictured at right.



ROTARY CLUB OF ST. CROIX MID-ISLE



Rotary Club of St. Croix Mid-Isle Car Raffle – April 24.

Sweeny Toussaint, Kim DeLine, Fundraising Chair, and Jacquie Heyliger of St. Croix (but member of Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020).

We shall never know all the good that a simple smile can do.

-- .Mother Teresa

ROTARY CLUB OF SINT MAARTEN



Here we go -

Calling all Rotarians-Remember your Promise- "to be Involved"

2015 May 3rd Car Raffle

Sold your tickets yet?????

The 2015 Audi Q5 compact luxury SUV offers up comfort, style and performance, with standard all-wheel drive and five different models suited to individual buyers. The Q5 with either the 2.0-liter turbocharged 4-cylinder or 3.0-liter V6 offer up a roomy and luxurious interior, good cargo space, and a comfortable ride. Fuel economy fans choose between a diesel with its instant torque and long-distance cruising, or the city-friendly hybrid model. Then there's the Audi SQ5, which adds a high-performance suspension and 354-horsepower V6 to the mix. In fact, the entire Audi Q5 lineup is oriented toward sport, with even the diesel and hybrid offering impressive acceleration. Next to competitors like the Mercedes-Benz GLK, Lexus RX and Cadillac SRX, the Q5 is a commendable jack-of-all-trades.



Trafalgar New Heights: Committed to Service above Self

On December 17, 2008, the **Rotary Club of Trafalgar New Heights** was chartered.

It wasn't just another Rotary Club, but an institution that was a first-of-its-kind. A Rotary Club catering to young people under 40 years old.

"I was encouraged at the time by a Rotarian, Rob Mullally a former member of the Kingston Club, while at the Rotary Convention in California that same year," Charter President, Tayana Wong recalls. "I was approaching 30 at the time and so I was going to have to move on from Rotaract and he suggested why not form a club for people under 40?"

She took on the challenge and encouraged friends to join her and the club was finally chartered in December of the same year.

"We started out with 32 members after launching the club at the Jamaica Pegasus Hotel where we held our first meeting and floated around afterwards until we finally settled at the Liguanea Club," she recalled.

An outlet for civic-minded young professionals, the membership of Trafalgar New Heights was not the only

characteristic, which differentiated it from other Rotary clubs. Unlike other clubs at the time, which mainly worked with homes and establishing buildings, its projects were almost entirely targeted directly to children and young people.

"I recall one of the first projects we did was to assist the St. Patrick's Foundation Marching Band with a fundraiser to access new gears which they were in need of," she said. Some other memorable initiatives include the Roving Rotarian project founded by current Director, Club Administration, Allison Hickling, which engages Rotarians to assist with projects external to the club and Rotary; and the establishment of a literacy programme for the Reading Centre in Trench Town.

Six years and six presidents later, the Rotary Club of Trafalgar New Heights continues to reach out to new generations through a variety of projects currently guided by current President, Coleen Lewis, and set to be continued by President-Elect, Horace "Hugo" Matthews. "Our unity and common goal to serve is the force which drives us and helps us grow," says Charter President, Tayana. "Service Above Self."

OUR PRESIDENTS



Tayana Wong, 2008-2010



Dalton Fowles, 2010-2011



Stephen Price, 2011-2012



Michele Salmon, 2012-2013



Marcus Irons, 2013-2014



Coleen Lewis, 2014-2015



Horace "Hugo" Matthews
President-Elect 2015-2016

Trafalgar New Heights in Action 2014

Installation of the 2014/2015 Board and President, July 2014



Church Service, July 2014



Maverley Kiddies Health Fair, August 2014



Shalom Basic School Spruce-up, August Town, August 2014



New Generations Month, September 2014



Christmas Treat, Maverley, December 2014



ROTARY CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN



The Rotary Club of Grand Cayman would like to congratulate **Derek Haines**, Past President of the Club for his incredible feat in running six marathons and raising circa **CI\$1.1m** to enable a new Hospice Facility to be built in the Cayman Islands. Without the generous support of the public this mission could not have been accomplished. Citizens from all walks of life contributed to this worthy cause. It is not possible to thank each and everyone except through this medium. However the club would like to acknowledge in particular the following sponsors:



The San Francisco Marathon with Ciara Bradley, Tim Bradley, Derek Haines, Brian Hurley, Kayla Bradley.



The Pamplona Marathon with his daughter Lizzy Haines.

PARTNERSHIP (CI\$100,000 and up)

Cayman Islands Real Estate Brokers' Association (CIREBA)
Deutsche Bank (Cayman) Limited
Julia & Peter Kandiah
Liz & Trevor Watkins

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SILVER (CI\$10,000 and up)

Betty Baraud, Allan & Flick Brooks, Cayman Distributors Group, Tony and Sarah Cowell, The Curtain Foundation, Andrew and Felix Jones, Deputy Governor Manderson and his 5K race, Queensgate Bank, Tina McLaughlin, Pink Ladies, Grant and Anne Stein, Claude and Trish Yonnet, Barry and Anne Smith, Red Sail Sports

BRONZE (CI\$5,000 and up)

Atlantic Star, Anton & Geraldine Duckworth, Britcay, Kevin Butler, Marcello and Irene Camillo, Cayman Hyperbaric Services, Hon Ming Cheang, C.U.C, Deloitte Staff, John & Christine Ferrari, Fidelity Bank, Andrew Galloway, Christine Godfrey, John Clive Lewis, LIME, Peter and Sara Mackay, Rankine & Kerrie McMillan, Andrew & Jane Moon, Charley Murray and Fiona Nicol, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Alasdair and Lisa Robertson, Jacques Scott, Charles and Diana Quinn.



The Rotary Club of Grand Cayman also wishes to thank the following local companies who have pledged services and/or equipment towards the building: Andromep (plan draw for MEP plus, through them, Mitsubishi (A/C), Androelevators, APEC (Engineers), BCQS (Project Management), Bon Vivant (kitchen equipment), Dart Cayman (Land), Digicel Cayman (Telecommunication), Elite (Floor tiles and roof trusses), Flowers Block, Home Gas (Propane fit out), Geotherm (assist with A/C), JDF (Doors and Windows), John Doak Architecture (Design), National Concrete, Phoenix Group, Precision Solar, Watler Steel (Roofing).

ROTARY CLUB OF ELEUTHERA, BAHAMAS

The Rotary Club of Eleuthera celebrated 6th Anniversary on 9th April.





EARTH DAY FESTIVAL

Rotarians were out in great numbers in partnership and support of the 4th annual Earth Day Festival , and 3rd anniversary of one of the fastest growing foundations in the Bahamas. A main thrust of the event was to encourage all residents to get involved by volunteering, donating, sharing our great work thereby helping us to affect change on Eleuthera so that we may foster growth for ourselves and the future inhabitants of our beautiful island.



Above left - Deandra Pinder of Yummy Twincakes (Vendor at Earth Day Event)



Above left - Juanita Pinder, PE posing with a supporter of the Earth Day Event and also a Cancer Society volunteer/supporter from Nassau.

The Rotary Club of Eleuthera was excited to have District Governor Nominee Judy Hutcherson of Fredericksburg, Texas, and her family visit our club.

We also celebrated the birthday of our President Julian Carey, who presented DGN with the first slice of birthday cake as his special symbol of welcome.



ROTARY CLUB OF NEW PROVIDENCE, BAHAMAS

...submitted by Lathera Major

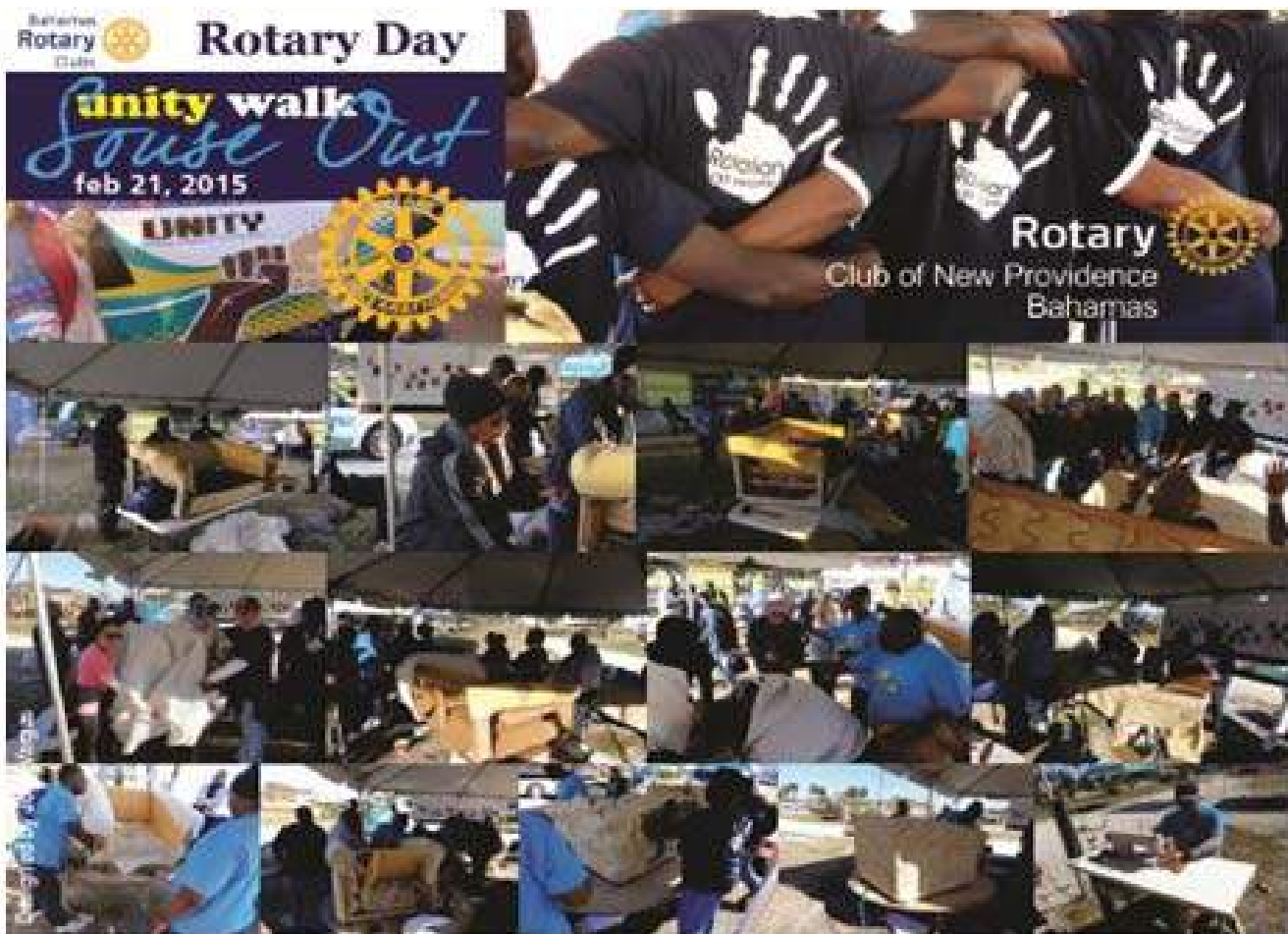
On February 21, 2015, The Rotary Club of New Providence (RCNP) took part in the “One Bahamas Annual Unity Walk” and this year’s Rotary Clubs of the Bahamas Rotary Day.

Members of the Rotary Club of New Providence took to the streets at 6:00 a.m. with other Rotarians in the One Bahamas Annual Unity Walk.

Some of the members then assisted with the Souse Out, while others conducted a Community Service Project - furniture re-upholstering at the finish line (on site).

The community service project involved re-upholstering living room furniture for one of the three (3) homes, the club members rotate weekly to deliver food products and occasionally used clothing and footwear, which is located on Fleming Street.

This project was their gift to Rotary on its 110th Birthday! That was celebrated on February 23, 2015. “Service above Self.”



A small compassionate act enlarges the
scope of community.
-- Mary Anne Radmacher

This event was covered by various television and radio stations such as ZNS, JCN and Love 97, the Rotary Club of New Providence also did a live stream.

The Rotary Club of New Providence took part in the 'One Bahamas Annual Walk' and 'Rotary Day'. Members of the Rotary Club of New Providence took to the streets at 6:00 a.m. with other Rotarians in the One Bahamas Annual Walk. Some of the members then assisted with the Souse Out, while others conducted a Community Service Project - furniture re-upholstering at the finished line (on site).

The three (3) hours community service project involved re-upholstering living room furniture for one of the three (3) homes, from The Rotary Club of New Providence weekly food run, which is located on Fleming Street. James Anderson, the club's Service Project Chair brought M & M Upholstery on board to provide us with the technical and professional assistance to complete the work. President of the Rotary Club of New Providence, Jipcho Johnson expressed his excitement in the work that club is able to do on a weekly basis. He stated that this kind of hands on project is the type of community service that the Rotary Club of New Providence enjoys doing.

Each of the Thirty (30) members present on this "Rotary Day" helped in one way or the other to make this service project a success.

The IDG Felix Stubbs joined RCNP and M & M Upholstery at the home on Fleming Street, there they removed the old furniture and replaced it with the new ones. The head of household was grateful, she thanked each member.

The Club also repaired broken glass in the windows when the living room furniture was returned, which PP Ken Strachan spare headed in this venture.



Photo was taken just after the re-upholstered furniture was placed in home. In attendance for this presentation were club members, Incoming DG, head of household and staff of M&M Upholstery.



The Rotary Club of New Providence extended their congratulations to the C. C. Sweeting Cobras, their head coach Mario Bowleg and MVP Michael Bethel on their win in the Hugh Campbell Basketball Tournament. They also encouraged them all too always reach for the stars.

They then took to "Light up Rotary" with their signature event, the 12th Annual Horse Show and Steak Out that was held on Saturday March 14 and Sunday March 15, 2015 at the Camperdown Horse Stables, Eastern New Providence. It was truly an enjoyable event for the entire family. A heartfelt thank you was extended to all the sponsors, Rotarians, families, friends and to Camperdown for their continuous support and congratulations went out to Tamsin Nottage the winner of the 12th Annual Horse Show.



The Rotary Club of New Providence had an exciting and relevant slate of guest speakers during the month of March, Literacy month. The information imparted by the various speakers helped to broaden members' knowledge of the challenges and work being done within the country to promote and enhance literacy, on various levels. The guest speakers were:-

1. **March 3rd – Mr. Dave Burrows and Mr. David Van Dyke – Cable Bahamas.** Mr. Burrows spoke about “The future of communication and the 2nd mobile Cellular License in the Bahamas. Mr. Burrows informed of who Cable Bahamas, going as far back to when the company started back in 1994; and highlighting the history of Cable Bahamas Limited.
2. **March 10th - Mrs. Bain- Librarian CC Sweeting High School.** Mrs. Bain presented on the importance of literacy and reading. She noted that literacy is seen as a tool and gave the definition of literacy as being able to read and write.
3. **March 17th - Justice Anita Allen; President of the Court of Appeal -** As a part of the Court's community outreach program, Justice Allen spoke on the topic “Your rights and the Role of the Judge in securing them.”
4. **March 24th – Mr. Christopher Tsavoussis –** Mr. Tsavoussis stated that the mission of Mission: Educate Bahamas is to educate every child in the Bahamas to excel in academics, and reach their true potential.
5. **March 31st - Mrs. Dorsette - National Literacy Services (Ministry of Education).** Mrs. Dorsette highlighted the mission of the National Literacy services, which is to provide the opportunity for adults and families to acquire the knowledge, skills and attitude required to communicate effectively, act ethically and achieve their full potential through lifelong learning.



Rotary
Club of New Providence
Bahamas

World Oral Health Day

World Oral Health Day (WOHD) is celebrated every year on the 20th March. It is an international day to celebrate the benefits of a healthy mouth and to promote worldwide awareness of the issues around oral health and the importance of looking after oral hygiene to everyone old and young. This year it was hosted on Saturday, March 21, 2015 from 2:00 to 6:00

at the Mall at Marathon, there were free dental screening and a lot of giveaways. Parents learn a lot about what goes on in their children's mouth and asked questions on how to better take care of their mouth. Special thanks go out to the St. Thomas More Choir and Thompson Trading Company - (distributor of Colgate products). It was a magnificent event and there is more to come.

The Dental Association Board, headed by its President, Dr. Andre Clarke, and Public Image Chair, Dr. Alia Campbell hosted the event, who are our very own Rotarians of the Rotary Club of New Providence. The other Board members are the committee chair Dr. Welmilya Francis, Dr. Davis as Treasurer, Dr. Gaitor as Secretary, Mandy Francis, Joy Pickstock and Dr. Moxey.



Presentation of



Board Games

to Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre

The Board Games were donated to assist the Recreational Therapy Department in providing treatment, social skills, and brain stimulating activities for the patients/clients they serve. This project also aided maternal and child health, as the hospital provides services to pregnant women, mothers of post-partum, as well as, child and adolescent to manage mental illness, or disorders.



There is a road from the eye to heart that does not go through the intellect.
-- G. K. Chesterton

ROTARY E-CLUB OF THE CARIBBEAN, 7020

Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, 7020 member, Henriette Raccach, had the pleasure recently to meet with Mr. Renauld Govain, the translator into Haitian Creole for our Signature Project, The Butterfly Storybook.

M. Govain had been invited in Guadeloupe by the Regional Council to attend the Congress of Caribbean Writers, a literary event which happens every three years. He would be leaving for Haiti on Saturday so Henriette took the liberty to invite him to join the E-Club on Wednesday night at the HHH (Happy Hour Hangout), so that all would have a chance to meet him and thank him.

An excellent meeting – and thank you for your help with the translations!



ROTARY CLUB OF KINGSTON EAST AND PORT ROYAL

Golden Age Home Treat 2015

On March 28, 2015, the Rotary Club of Kingston East and Port Royal feted the residents Cluster C at the Golden Age Home in East Kingston. There are 70 residents – 42 males and 28 females. On hand to assist the Rotarians with serving the residents were Rotaractors from the Rotaract Club of New Kingston and Interactors from St. Georges' High School.

After their meal, the residents were also presented with two wheel chairs and several cases of pampers.



At left - Residents and Rotarians and Rotaractors pictured together during the presentation of the wheel chairs. At right - IPP Howard Haughton and President, Winsome Gordon, making the presentation of pampers to one of the caregiver's. VP Gary looks on.

ROTARY CLUB OF MONTEGO BAY SUNRISE



Over 150 children in St James received eye glasses, thanks to an initiative of the Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise. Under the project, some of the children also received referrals to see eye specialists.

The club hopes to hand out more glasses to needy children.





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.

Basic Education and Literacy

The Rotaract Club of New Kingston's Partnership with Jamaica Foundation for Lifelong Learning



The *Jamaica Foundation for Lifelong Learning (JFLL)* is an agency of the Ministry of Education that is charged with the execution of adult and youth learning and lifelong learning interventions from basic literacy to the secondary level. It is also the Government of Jamaica's lead agency in coordinating with local and international partners in the national drive to accomplish the National and International UNESCO goal of *Education for All* to support national economic and social development in the thrust towards Jamaica's *Vision 2030* goals.

JFLL offers programmes of study ranging from basic literacy and numeracy up to the level of CXC's CSEC (Caribbean Examination Council's Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate) subjects in a variety of disciplines, and courses in computer applications usage. The individuals that attend the improvement classes range from ages 17-60 years, and hope to use the knowledge and skills gained through these programmes to aid them in their daily lives.

Since 2008, the **Rotaract Club of New Kingston (NKRC)** has voluntarily partnered with JFLL in its initiatives in order to contribute to the literacy and numeracy level in Jamaica, by tutoring adult students in the subjects of Mathematics and English Language. The opportunity to contribute leaves our club members with a sense of pride, purpose, confidence, and honor. "It inspires me to impart knowledge on people who are eager to gain and learn, benefiting them and Jamaica," remarks NKRC's Professional Services Director Kimberly Lindo.

According to Rotaractor Shanieka Moodie, "I feel this inner worth coupled with patience and humility when I teach each student; I love to see their hands fly into the air and hear them say 'ME, MISS!' when they have the answer to a question."

Club President Ryan McKenzie is also an active participant in this program; according to him, "Every time I do a session with the adults at JFLL, it really gives me a feeling of great accomplishment. It is great to know that I am able to share my knowledge with the students in a way that will assist them in making their lives better."

The Club's Director of Community Service, Francine White, creates a roster to facilitate the proper management of the teaching schedule for our members, ensuring that at least two club members are present each time the club volunteers with the programme. However, unscheduled "drop-ins" are always welcomed and encouraged amongst club members, as this helps to facilitate more one-on-one time with the students. She states that, "JFLL continues to resolve some of the problems of our education system, by aiding individuals who have put aside 'false pride' to accomplish growth at this stage in their lives. That resonates with me."

This is an ongoing project for the Rotaract Club of New Kingston and will continue for years to come. Club Fundraising Director Jodi-Ann Bowen is one member who dedicated the first months of her membership to attending these tutoring session every Monday at six o' clock in the evening at the Saxthorpe Methodist Church. "I believe NKRC has made an impact in the lives of people who are in levels one and two of the programme. In one year, I was able to see growth in the confidence of students, both in the way they expressed themselves and in how they worked out math problems in a methodical way to get the right answer. It is really inspiring."

To find out more about the Rotaract Club of New Kingston's partnership with the Jamaica Foundation for Lifelong Learning, contact them at newkingstonrotaract@gmail.com.

...submitted by Denise Arnold



Above - Members of the Rotaract Club of New Kingston volunteering with the Jamaica Foundation for Lifelong Learning's Adult Literacy Programme



The Rotaract Club of New Kingston's World Rotaract Week Celebrations

The members of the Rotaract Club of New Kingston (NKRC) are always excited when World Rotaract Week rolls around. It gives us an excuse to spend more time together and flood social media timelines with expressions of our love for this awesome movement, even more so than on normal days. As the 2013/2014 Club-of-the-Year, NKRC is known for outstanding service projects and strong fellowship. What some may not be aware of is our excellent relationship with the rest of our Rotary family, and that was the focus of our 2015 World Rotaract Week.

We 'kicked things off' by reaching out to our fellow Rotaractors from Austria, Canada, Venezuela, Ghana, India, Pakistan, Egypt, and the United States of America, by participating in a 'Rotaract Around The World' Skype call on Sunday, the day before the official start of World Rotaract Week. Twenty Rotaractors (and one Rotarian) were on hand to share information about their cultures and home clubs, and it was the perfect way to start our weeklong celebration of the institution of Rotaract.

Our fellowship with the members of our Rotary Family continued 'full-speed ahead' with visits to the Rotary Club of Kingston East & Port Royal Meeting on Monday, and to the Rotary Club of Trafalgar Heights Meeting on Thursday. We also hosted takeovers of the meetings of our EarlyAct Club at the Queen's Preparatory School and our Interact Club at the St. George's College.

"Will you be back next week, President Ryan?" asked one eager EarlyAct student at the end (he advised them that, if work allowed it, they couldn't keep him away). The NKRC members also hosted a joint meeting with our parent club, The Rotary Club of New Kingston, on Friday, inviting along some of our Interactors for a fun-filled '*Family of Rotary*' themed breakfast meeting. The entire week was an exercise in reminding us of the strength of the bonds between our Rotary family, and how much we love being a part of it.

However, the week was also about sharing the joy of Rotaract and Rotary with the wider community as well. Tuesday was officially designated as 'Social Media Day' and the NKRC club members, Prospective Members, and friends took to their social media platforms to tell the world about Rotaract and our amazing club. One particular highlight of the day occurred when club members were asked to share their first Rotaract meeting experience, who invited them, and why they stayed; many members, both in NKRC and in other clubs, shared some heartwarming and uplifting stories. "I was invited by Joy-Ann Tabanor, and I was immediately impressed with the spirit of the club; despite numerous invites to other clubs, I decided to stay with NKRC," replied Rotaractor Samantha Grant.

On Wednesday, President Ryan had the fortunate opportunity to promote Rotaract during a radio interview on *Linkz96FM*. He spoke eloquently about the Rotaract movement, World Rotaract Week, how a young person can join a Rotaract Club, and different activities that Rotaract Clubs in Jamaica were doing to commemorate World Rotaract Week. On Thursday, he and Vice President Terence Smith also had the privilege of appearing on the popular weekly morning programme, '*Smile Jamaica*', to speak about the importance of volunteerism, the Rotaract movement, and World Rotaract Week. During the interview, host Neville Bell asked, "Why did you get involved in Rotaract and how long ago did you start?" President Ryan replied, "In 2010, my friend, Garreth Burrows, invited me to NKRC. One day, I finally took him up on his offer and that was it for me!"

Of course, while March 9 to 15 was World Rotaract Week, it also fell during Literacy Month. In honour of the month, the Rotaract Club of New Kingston and its members signed the *Stand #UpForSchool* online petition to show support for the idea that children should have the opportunity to get the education they need to excel. The club and its individual members shared our participation and promoted the movement via social media, in the hopes of getting others to add their voices as well.

And, while we took a break on Saturday, in the spirit of family, to support a Prospective Member who suffered a recent family tragedy, NKRC ended World Rotaract Week on Sunday in true NKRC style – in the spirit of service. On Sunday, the members of NKRC descended on the sometimes-volatile community of Nannyville to continue in our efforts to refurbish the Nannyville Basic School. This is one of our club's signature community service projects; we continue to focus on improvements to the school's physical structures, with the aim of getting the school registered with the Jamaican Early Childhood Commission.

Our major activities for the day included the donation of two fire extinguishers, the painting of existing and new doors, the installation of new bathroom stall doors, and the installation of exit signs at points of entry and exit. Two Rotarians from our sponsoring Rotary Club, including President Lloyd Butler, were also there to join in on the fun and hard work. NKRC Members and Prospective Members of the club came ready to work hard, as well as bond with their fellow club members while giving back to a deserving community.



In addition to hosting our own events, members of the Rotaract Club of New Kingston also sought to show their support of other local Rotaract Clubs during World Rotaract Week as well. Events attended included the Rotaract Club of the University of the West Indies' Meeting on Wednesday, the Rotaract Club of St. Andrew's Soca Cooler Fete Fundraiser on Sunday, and the Rotaract Club of Kingston's International Night and Inner-City Art Competition on Saturday and Sunday respectively.

Overall, the Rotaract Club of New Kingston had a very successful World Rotaract Week. We fellowshiped with persons at all stages of the Rotary Life Cycle, supported our fellow Rotaractors, promoted Rotaract to the public, and gave back to the community. Most importantly, it brought, to the forefront, all the things we love about Rotaract, and reminded us of why we all became and remain Rotaractors.

At right – NKRC Rotaractors and family celebrating World Rotaract Week



...submitted by Denise Arnold

Through violence, you may “solve” one problem,
but you sow the seeds for another.

-- Dalai Lama

Real mothers sometimes ask “Why me?”
and get their answers when a little voice says
“...because I love you best!”





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!

ROTARY NEW GENERATIONS – MONTEGO BAY



Need for the history of District 7020 to be updated!

The last known information is at 2004.

Any Volunteers?

Here is what is known from <http://www.rotaryfirst100.org/districts/districts/7020.htm#.VPCPQeFO6PU>

Between 1915 and 1930, during the American administration of Haiti, some Rotarian marines used to meet every week in Jeremie, Haiti. About 1930, a Rotary-club was also projected in Port-au-Prince, Haiti but never chartered.

The records of Rotary International indicate that Rotary within the islands of the Caribbean began with what was called non-district clubs. The first non-district club to receive a charter was The Rotary Club of **St Thomas, (US Virgin Islands) in 1957**, followed by The Rotary Club of **St Croix (US Virgin Islands) in 1958**, and by The Rotary Club of **Kingston (Jamaica) in 1959**. Rotary International continued to charter non-district clubs; until 1973, there were some 41 clubs with charters.

In June of **1973, the first Caribbean Convention of non-district Clubs was held in St Kitts (Saint Kitts and Nevis)**. One of the outcomes of this Convention was a petition to Rotary International for the establishment of a district for the clubs of the Caribbean. Rotary International established **District 404 on July 1, 1974**. All the French, Dutch, and English speaking islands in the Caribbean Diaspora were included. **Dr John Watts** of Grenada became the first District Governor of District 404. The first District Conference was held in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, on September 25-28, 1974 with some 314 Rotarians and participants attending. Forty-three of forty-four clubs were represented.

District 404 continued to grow with new clubs developing in most of the Caribbean islands. By the 1979 District Conference in the Virgin Islands, there were some 57 clubs with 2,041 Rotarians situated in the geographical area from the Bahamas in the western Caribbean to Trinidad & Tobago. This created many logistical problems for the new District. For example, many of the mandatory functions of the District Governor such as visiting every club during the first six months of his governorship were virtually impossible with such a spread out District. Thus, Rotary International was petitioned once again to make changes within District 404. The request was for District 404 to be divided into **two separate Districts - 404 and 405**. District 405 was created for clubs in the Eastern Caribbean, south of the island of St Martin/St Maarten, and the North and Western Islands remained as District 404. District 404 was a part of Rotary International's **SACAMA Zone 5** that was predominantly South America and Spanish speaking.

On July 1, 1991, the District number was changed to **4040** to be consistent with the worldwide four-digit numbering by Rotary International. The January 1992 Council on Legislation adopted enactment 92.140 which transferred District 4040 from SACAMA Zone 5 to **USCB Zone 10 effective July 1, 1992**.

At its March 1992 meeting, the Board of Directors of Rotary International requested the General Secretary to give the District a new number in harmony with the numbers used by the other Districts in USCB Zone 10. Consequently, District 4040 was renumbered as **District 7020** with effect from July 1, 1992. The Council of Legislation in 1995 then realigned the districts around the world and on July 11, 1995, placed District 7020 into **Zone 21**, the new name for the old SACAMA Zone. This decision allowed District 7020 to affiliate with **Zone 34**, the Southeast United States, for communication and training purposes. At the Council on Legislation in January 1998, a resolution was passed to move District 7020 into Zone 34 effective on July 1, 1998. The District has thrived within this Zone with increased involvement in Rotary International.

The District 7020 is composed of 64 clubs in ten different countries or territories:

- Anguilla : 1 club
- Bahamas (except Grand Bahama) : 7 clubs
- British Virgin Islands : 2 clubs
- Cayman Islands : 4 clubs
- French West Indies (St-Martin & St-Barthelemy only) : 2 clubs
- Haiti : 13 clubs
- Jamaica : 20 clubs
- Netherland Antilles (Sint-Maarten only) : 3 clubs
- Turks & Caicos : 1 club
- U.S. Virgin Islands : 9 clubs

The total membership is 2,548 as of January 2004.

TRIBUTE- ROTARIAN RAMESH MANEK

Condolences

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Sint Maarten-Mid Isle,
we would like to express our heartfelt condolences to the family and
friends of the late



Ramesh Manek

Mr. Manek has made numerous contributions to the St. Maarten/St. Martin community over the past 30 years both personally and through Rotary. In the past 5 years he has been our Club President (2011-2012) and has served on the Board of Directors ever since.

Ramesh was also a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow and twice Rotarian of the Year (2010-2011 & 2013-2014) in our Rotary Club. He has been involved in all our Rotary Club's Community and International projects during his membership.

He was an inspiration to all Rotarians around him, and certainly lived his life according to Rotary's motto "Service Above Self". His passion to eradicate the crippling disease Polio from the world prompted Mr. Manek to organize a fundraising walkathon and the World's Greatest Meal to End Polio in Rotary District 7020. In his honor, the Board of Directors will name our annual walkathon "The Ramesh Manek Walkathon To End Polio Now".

For his immense dedicated service to Rotary, District 7020 promoted Ramesh Manek to Assistant Governor for our surrounding islands in the District, which he would have commenced as of July 1st this year.

Ramesh Manek leaves behind his wife Reena, their three daughters Anjali, Sanjana & Lavina, his family, his fellow Rotarians on St. Maarten/St. Martin, Anguilla & St. Barths, and friends and loved ones too numerous to mention. He will be dearly missed.

Rest in Eternal Peace Ramesh.



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Submissions from District 7020 Clubs

*Please send Club News and photos (with appropriate IDs) to
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For inclusion in the District Newsletter*