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Saint-Barthelemy





Sint Maarten Saint Martin









U.S. Virgin Islands

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



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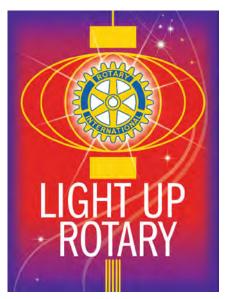


## SEPTEMBER MESSAGE FROM DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2014-15) PAUL BROWN

#### Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors and Family of Rotary

We have just completed our second month of the year and we have been continuing at a hectic pace.

During the month, we completed visits with Clubs in NE Jamaica, Central Jamaica, the northern regions of Haiti and one club in Central Haiti. All told, we have visited 20 clubs this month. Just as it was last month, Kay and I were well received, and the hospitality has been



great! We appreciate every bit of it, and we take this opportunity to express our gratitude.

We witnessed varying approaches to doing Rotary's work. From the approach of teamwork, family and fun, as seen in Central Jamaica, to the more



passionate intense energy witnessed in Northern Haiti, Rotary continues to be alive and active in these areas of District 7020.

Many of these clubs brought in new members, and I do hope similar efforts have occurred across the District during this month. I would like to remind all that our goal of at least two new members per club (net) is achievable, and we should redouble our efforts to achieve this objective. Whilst doing so, I am calling on the leadership of the clubs to ensure that all Rotarians in the clubs be given some responsibility so that they remain engaged and add to the productivity in the club.

Next month is fast approaching, and it is a god time for us to remember our District Theme – "Inspire Youth...Build Rotary." It is also the month when schools and some colleges resume their courses and activities.

Rotarians, this represents an ideal opportunity for us to expand existing Interact/Rotaract Youth Groups already installed, as well as an opportunity also for those Clubs who do not already have such a group to engage the school and community leaders in your areas with a view to introducing the experience in those schools and communities.

To all Club Leaders, let us bring our Youth Groups closer to us by doing more joint fellowships and service projects together. It gives us an opportunity to nurture and guide the development of our future Rotary Club Leaders and members. Let us facilitate the ongoing transitions of Rotaract and other Alumni to Rotary.

On another note, we should begin to think about our selections for future Club and District leaders. We will be reminding you shortly to consider suitable nominations from your respective Clubs for the position of District Governor. It is also the time to do the same with respect to your own Club Leaders as these decisions come up in October 2014.

For the month of September, Kay and I will be visiting with the Clubs in Jamaica, and we are looking forward to that. More about that when next we meet.

So Rotarians, continue to Light up Rotary in 2014-15.

Paul Brown, District 7020 Governor (2014-15)

## DG Paul Brown and First Lady Kay's visit to the Cayman Islands



*Top left* – AG Eric Bush and wife Letisha. *Right* - DG Paul Brown with new Rotarian, Keysha Sailsman. *Bottom* – President Brian and Kristen Ford. *Right* – Three presidents Kim Remizowski, Brian Hurley, Larry Tibbetts, DG Paul and Wife Kay



*Top Left* – Rotarian Chris Bailey with Kay Brown. *Top Right* – AG Eric Bush, Gemma Tighe Alan Roffey and First Lady Kay Brown. *Bottom* - President Kim Remizowski and Rotarian Dave Phipps. *Right* - Katherine Tathum, James Tibbetts, Gemma Tighe

## DG'S TRAVEL SCHEDULE AROUND D7020

#### TRAVEL - SEPTEMBER 2014

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





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#### **TRAVEL - OCTOBER 2014**

	Fly to Miami	Friday, October 3, 2014	
	Fly to Haiti	Sunday, October 5-18, 2014	
Haiti Central	Georges Nicolas		
Delmas-Aeroport		Sylvain Exantus	
Leogame		Kerwin Delicat	
Port au Prince		Guillaume, Ti Joe	
Haiti, Metropolitan	Dominique Bazin		
Petion-ville		Adrien, Fritz	
Port au Prince, Champs de Mars		Joseph Alen	
Nirabelais		Joceline Dubuisson	
Haiti Sud	Jean-Joseph Forgeas		
Les Cayes		Olivier, Jean Yves	
Jacmel		Francois, Luc	
Aquin		Anito Etienne	
	Return to Jamaica	Saturday, October 18, 2014	
		BREAK	
	Fly to St Maarten-St Martin	Monday, October 27, 2014	
Anguilla/FWI/Sint Maarten	Rebecca Low		
Sint Maarten Sunrise		Virginia Arin-Oostburg	
Sint Maarten-Mid Isle		Wilkie, Wayne	
Sint Maarten		Ramchandani, Danny	
Saint Martin Nord		Thierry Desplanches T	
Anguilla		Seymour Hodge	
Saint Barthelemy		Leese, Abigail	
	Fly to BVI	Sunday, November 2-7, 2014	

## **OF ROTARY INTEREST...**



The Old and the New!

I was very lucky to find the very rare original 1971 Sydney Rotary International Convention medallion & to commemorate the Convention being back in Sydney after 43 years another souvenir Sydney Convention medallion has been commissioned and will be available at the Rotary Down Under booth for \$10 — with <u>Bob Aitken</u>.

#### Source -

 $\underline{https://www.facebook.com/RotarianEvanBurrell/photos/a.256129944571656.1073741828.256127104571940/256497477868236/?type=1 \\ \underline{ktheater}$ 

## K. R. "RAVI" RAVINDRAN RI PRESIDENT-ELECT 2014-15 ROTARY CLUB OF COLOMBO, SRI LANKA



K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran is CEO and founder of a publicly listed company with a worldwide clientele in the tea packaging industry. His company, Printcare Plc, is the winner of national and international awards of excellence. He also serves on the board of several other companies and charitable trusts. He is the founding president of the Sri Lanka Anti-Narcotics Association.

A Rotarian since 1974, Ravindran has served RI as treasurer; director; Foundation trustee; committee member, vice chair, and chair; task force member; RI training leader; and district governor.

As his country's national PolioPlus chair, Ravindran headed a task force consisting of the government, UNICEF, and Rotary and worked closely with UNICEF to successfully negotiate a ceasefire with the northern militants during National Immunization Days. He also chaired the Schools Reawakening project, sponsored by Rotary clubs and districts in Sri Lanka, to rebuild 25

tsunami-devastated schools to benefit 15,000 children.

## JOHN GERM SELECTED AS 2016-17 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT



John F. Germ, a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, USA, and chair of the International PolioPlus Committee, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of RI in 2016-17. He will become the president-nominee on 1 October if there are no challenging candidates.

For Rotary to thrive, Germ says, members must face current and future challenges and opportunities with "passion, enthusiasm, perseverance, and above all, integrity."

"I envision Rotary boldly and creatively engaging the success of polio eradication, membership and identity issues, strengthening clubs, work with youth – our future lifeblood, and the creation of critical, strategic partnerships," says Germ. "The 2016-17 Rotary year offers a tremendous opportunity for Rotary International and the Foundation partnership unified and thriving, on all levels, via the six areas of focus."

Germ says no one should ever have to ask, "What is Rotary?"

"We will enhance Rotary's public image by successfully and enthusiastically marketing who we are, what amazing things we are doing, and incredibly, have done locally and globally," says Germ.

With the global economy still unpredictable, Germ says Rotary must make participation affordable and "also be unfailingly diligent in efforts to ensure we spend every dollar effectively and efficiently," he says.

In 1965, after four years in the U.S. Air Force, Germ, an engineer, joined Campbell and Associates Inc., an engineering consulting firm. He now serves as the company's board chair and chief executive officer.

He also serves on the boards of several organizations including the Public Education Foundation, Orange Grove Center Inc., and the Blood Assurance Inc. He is the founder and treasurer of the Chattanooga State Technical Community College Foundation and is president of the Tennessee Jaycee Foundation.

In 1970 he was recognized as Tennessee Young Man of the Year, Engineer of the Year, and Volunteer Fundraiser of the Year in 1992. A Rotary member since 1976, Germ has served Rotary as vice president, director, Foundation trustee and vice chair, chair of Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge, and RI president's aide. He is a recipient of Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award. He and his wife, Judy, are members of the Arch Klumph Society.

"Rotary will adapt to a rapidly changing world by embracing innovation within the guidelines of our tradition and values," says Germ. "By aggressively embracing new technologies, social media, and new opportunities, individuals and businesses will see that Rotary helps promote a good civic and public image while adding credibility to their people."

The Nominating Committee members are T.D. Griley, Newark, Ohio, USA (chair); José Antonio F. Antiório, Osasco, São Paulo, Brazil; Keith Barnard-Jones, The Island & Royal Manor of Portland, Dorset, England; Kenneth R. Boyd, Kerman, California, USA; Michael Colasurdo Sr., Brick Township, New Jersey, USA; Yash Pal Das, Ambala, Haryana, India; John Eberhard, London, Ontario, Canada; Barry Matheson, Jessheim, Norway; Shekhar Mehta, Calcutta-Mahanagar, West Bengal, India; Carlo Monticelli, Milano Net, Italy; Samuel Owori, Kampala, Uganda; Kazuhiko Ozawa, Yokosuka, Kanagawa, Japan; Ekkehart Pandel, Bückeburg, Germany; Juin Park, Suncheon, Jeonranam, Korea; John C. Smarge, Naples, Florida, USA; Barry E. Thompson, Padstow, New South Wales, Australia; and Thomas M. Thorfinnson, Eden Prairie Noon, Minnesota, USA.



By Ryan Hyland Rotary News 5-Aug-2014

#### John Germ - Past RI Vice President and Rotary Foundation Trustee

John, a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga since 1976, is a leader in fund development for Rotary's polio eradication campaign, recently coordinating an effort that raised more than \$228 million in response to \$355 million in challenge grants from the Bill & Melinda Gates.

John is president and chief executive officer of Campbell & Associates, Inc. consulting engineers. He joined the firm as an engineer in 1965 after four years in the U.S. Air Force. He is a registered engineer licensed in 42 states as well as Canada. He serves on the boards of several organizations including the State of Tennessee Workforce Development, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee and the Chattanooga State Technical Community College. In Chattanooga, he has served as president of the Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts and Junior Achievement and campaign chair of the United Way. He is president of the Tennessee Jaycee Foundation, CSTCC Foundation and Blood Assurance, Inc. Foundation. He also leads projects to assist mentally and physically challenged children and adults in Tennessee.

#### John Germ, PRIVP

D6780 PDG 1996-97 Aide to TRF Chair D.K. Lee, 2013-14





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## ABCs OF ROTARY



Cliff Dochterman, RI President 1992-93

#### **OBJECT OF ROTARY**

In some areas of the world, weekly Rotary club meetings begin with all members standing and reciting the Object of Rotary. This statement, which comes from the Constitution of Rotary, is frequently seen on a wall plaque in Rotarians' offices or place of business.

The Object of Rotary is "to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise." The statement then lists four areas by which this "ideal of service" is fostered: through the development of acquaintance as the opportunity for service; the promotion of high ethical standards in business and professional; through service in one's personal, business and community life; and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace.

The Object of Rotary has not always been expressed in this manner. The original Constitution of 1906 had three objects: promotion of business interests, promotion of good fellowship and the advancement of the

*RI President* 1992-93 best interests of the community. By 1910, Rotary had five Objects as increased emphasis was given to expanding Rotary. By 1915, there were six Objects. In 1918, the Objects were rewritten again and reduced to four. Four years later, they had again grown to six and were revised again in 1927.

Finally, at the 1935 Mexico City Convention, the six Objects were restated and reduced to four. The last major change came in 1951, when the "Objects" were streamlined and changed to a single "Object" which is manifested in four separate ways. The "ideal of service" is the key phrase in the Object of Rotary. This ideal is an attitude of being a thoughtful and helpful person in all of one's endeavours. That's what the Object truly means.

#### **ROTARY MOTTOS**

The first "motto of Rotary International, "He Profits Most Who Serves Best," was approved at the second Rotary Convention, held in Portland, Oregon, in August 1911. The phrase was first stated by a Chicago Rotarian, Art Sheldon, who made a speech in 1910 which included the remark, "He profits most who serves his fellows best."

At about the same time, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, commented that the proper way to organize a Rotary club was through the principle his club had adopted – "Service, Not Self."

These two slogans, slightly modified, were formally approved to be the official mottoes of Rotary at the 1950 Convention in Detroit – "He Profits Most Who Serves Best" and "Service Above Self." The 1989 Council on Legislation established "Service Above Self" as the principal motto of Rotary, since it best explains the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service.

"He Profits Most Who Serves Best" was modified by the 2004 Rotary International Council on Legislation, to its current wording, "They Profit Most Who Serve Best.

#### 100 PERCENT ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is essential to a strong and active Rotary club. The emphasis on attendance is traced back to 1922 when Rotary International announced a worldwide attendance contest which motivated thousands of Rotarians to achieve a 100 per cent attendance year after year. Many Rotarians take great pride in maintaining their 100 per cent record in their own club or by making up at other Rotary club meetings.

Although the bylaws of Rotary require members to attend only 50 per cent of all meetings, the custom has emerged that 100 per cent is the desirable level. Rotary stresses regular attendance because each member represents his own business or profession and thus the absence of any member deprives the club of the values of its diversified membership and the personal fellowship of each member.

From time to time, proposals have been made to give attendance credit to Rotarians who are on jury duty, serving in the community, attending a trade convention, on vacation in remote areas, on shipboard or unable to attend because of ill health or other special reasons. None of these exceptions has been adopted. The policy is very clear -a Rotarian is not given attendance credit if he does not attend a meeting.

There are a few circumstances where attendance credit is awarded when a Rotarian participates in an alternate type of Rotary event. If a Rotarian is requested to attend an Interact or Rotaract meeting, attendance credit may be allowed. When a member attends a Rotary district conference, district assembly, international convention, Council on Legislation, a meeting of an international committee, an inter-city meeting and a few other specially designated events attendance may be credited. A Rotarian actively participating in a district-sponsored service project in a remote area where it is impossible to make-up may also receive attendance credit.

#### THE FOUR-WAY TEST

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

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

#### PAUL HARRIS – FIRST BUT NOT FIRST

- Was Paul Harris the first president of a Rotary Club? No
- Was Paul Harris the first president of Rotary International? Yes

There is an easy explanation to this apparent contradiction. Although Paul Harris was the founder and organizer of the first Rotary club in Chicago in 1905, the man selected to be the first president was one of the other founding members, Silvester Schiele.

By the year 1910, there were 16 Rotary clubs, which linked up as an organization called the national Association of Rotary Clubs. A couple of years later, the name was changed to International Association of Rotary Clubs as Rotary was organized in Winnipeg, Canada, and then in England, Ireland, and Scotland. In 1922, the name was shortened to Rotary International.

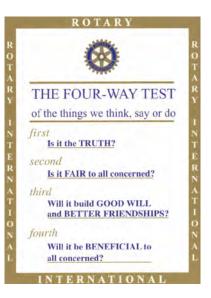
When the first organization of Rotary clubs was created in 1910, Paul Harris was selected as the first president. He served in this position for two years, from 1910 to 1912. Thus, the founder of the Rotary idea, who declined to be president of the first club, became the first president of the worldwide organization, Rotary International.

#### FIRST NAMES OR NICKNAMES

From the earliest days of Rotary, members have referred to each other on a first-name basis. Since personal acquaintanceship and friendship are cornerstones of Rotary, it was natural that many clubs adopted the practice of setting aside formal titles in conversations among members. Individuals who normally would be addressed as Doctor, Professor, Mister, the Honorable or Sir are regularly called Joe, Bill, Charley or Jerry by other Rotarians. The characteristic Rotary club name badge fosters the first-name custom.

In a few areas, such as Europe, club members use a more formal style in addressing fellow members. In other parts of the world, mainly in Asian countries, the practice is to assign each new Rotarian a humorous nickname which relates to some personal characteristic or which is descriptive of the member's business or profession. A member nicknamed "Oxygen" is the manufacturer of chemical gas products. "Trees" is the nickname for the Rotarian in the lumber business, "Building is the contract, "Paper" is the stationery or office supply retailer. Other members might carry nicknames like "Muscles," "Foghorn" or "Smiles" as commentaries on their physical features.

The nicknames are frequently a source of good-natured fun and fellowship. But whether a Rotarian is addressed by a given first name or a nickname, the spirit of personal friendship is the initial step which opens doors to all other opportunities for service.



## LITERACY IN DISTRICT 7020



#### **ROTARY DISTRICT 7020**

#### BASIC LITERACY AND EDUCATION - 2014/2015

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) defines literacy as the "ability to identify, understand, interpret, create, communicate and compute, using printed and written materials associated with varying contexts. Literacy involves a continuum of learning in enabling individuals to achieve their goals, to develop their knowledge and potential, and to participate fully in their community and wider society."

#### **Rotary and Literacy**

In 1985, Rotary declared basic literacy to be a pre-condition to the development of peace. Through this organizational emphasis, more than half the world's 34,000 Rotary clubs address the full range of literacy and mathematical challenges for primary, vocational, and adult learners as well as teacher training. Additionally, Rotary International has indicated the importance of Literacy to Rotarians by designating March as Literacy month.

Global Grants are available for Literacy projects that:

- 1. Ensure that children have access to quality basic education
- 2. Reduce gender disparity in education
- 3. Increase adult literacy
- 4. Strengthen the capacity of communities to support basic education and literacy
- 5. Support studies related to basic education and literacy

#### **District 7020 Literacy Goals**

What can Rotary clubs do to promote and celebrate Literacy?

- Plan to undertake at least one literacy project at home or internationally.
- Create Awareness within the club and within the local community by means of key note presenters, community awards to children, adults, Rotarians etc.
- Carry out a literacy project during the Month of March (Rotary Literacy Month)
- Carry out literacy project on International Literacy Day (September 8)
- Apply for Global Grants for your Literacy project (see criteria above)
- Sponsor a newspaper advertisement, a radio or television advertisement or a billboard with a
  message about Rotary's work with literacy
- Upload your literacy projects on Rotary Showcase

Literacy projects are relevant to Rotary's five Avenues of Service. The following are suggestions for Literacy Projects can consider.

DISTRICT 7020 BASIC LITERACY AND EDUCATION

CHAIR: TAYANA WONG

#### LITERACY IN DISTRICT 7020 - continued

#### **Club Service**

- Recruit a new club member with a literacy classification
- Schedule a Literacy Speaker for March for Literacy month.
- Devote a club meeting to creating awareness of literacy projects in March for Literacy Month.

#### **Vocational Service**

- Sponsor an Interact club, a high school workshop that teaches vocational literacy based on Rotary's Four Way Test.
- Participate in a Vocational Mock Interview day at a high school your club supports
- Honour school principals at a club meeting.
- Give a Literacy Recognition Award to an outstanding individual who supports Literacy.

#### **Community Service**

- Improve access to books and learning materials by donating books, dictionaries and offering support to libraries.
- Support schools and teachers by adopting a school and providing teacher training
- Enhance classroom learning for early childhood and adult literacy programmes.
- Student mentorship programmes

#### International Service

- Participate in a literacy and education-focused international project
- Devote a club meeting held during the week of 8 September (International

Literacy Day is September 8) to a program focusing on Rotary's cooperative relationship with the International Reading Association.

#### **New Generations**

- Conduct a Four Way Test Essay competition for High School students
- Sponsor scholarship programmes for students leaving high school
- Conduct joint literacy projects with your Rotaract and Interact clubs

Tayana Wong Basic Literacy and Education District 7020, 2014-2015 tayanawong@gmail.com

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CHAIR: TAYANA WONG

Literacy Chair, D7020 Tayana Wong

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## FAMILY AND WELLNESS CORNER



Dear Rotary Family of District 7020,

Happy September!

Can you believe it is September already? The children are back in school! Maybe your schedule has also changed. As we reflect on family, I think a good question for us to consider is "Who is my Rotary Family"? Sort of like, "Who is my neighbour?" We know that our neighbour is not just the one that lives beside us but also the one that we interact with at different levels. So I thought I'd give some thoughts on who is in our Rotary family and perhaps how we can interact with each other.



Carla Card-Stubbs

#### Who belongs to our Rotary Family?

- Club members; Spouses; Inner Wheel (formerly Rotary-Anns)
- Children, parents, other relatives; families of deceased Rotarians
- Youth Exchange students and their families
- Interactors, Rotaractors and RYLArians
- Ambassadorial Scholars and alumni etc

#### Why is the Family of Rotary important?

- Build lifelong friendships; Enhance family life
- Builds world understanding and peace; solidarity, tolerance
- Contributes to membership growth and diversity
- Strengthens clubs and members' commitment to service

#### How do we care for fellow Rotarians like family?

- Remember birthdays and anniversaries
- Assist when they are sick, lonely, or having difficulties
- Share their grief during and after a death in the family
- Celebrate at births, weddings, and graduations

#### How do we involve our families and other Rotary Family members?

- At special club meetings, social events
- Assistance with fundraisers, projects
- Visit their meetings, Conferences
- Assist with their projects

What do you think? More anon! Remember to send me your thoughts.....

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

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## LE COIN FAMILLE ET BIEN-ÊTRE



Qui

Chère famille du Rotary du district 7020,

Bon mois de Septembre!

Pouvez-vous croire qu'e c'est déjà Septembre? Les enfants sont retournés à l'école! Peut-être que votre programme a également changé. Alors que nous réfléchissons sur la famille, je pense une bonne question pour nous de considérer est: «Qui est ma famille au Rotary"? Un peu comme: «Qui est mon prochain?" Nous savons que notre voisin n'est pas seulement celui qui vit à côté de nous, mais aussi celui avec qui nous interagissons à différents niveaux. Alors i'ai pensé que je donnerais quelques réflexions sur qui fait part

niveaux. Alors j'ai pensé que je donnerais quelques réflexions sur qui fait partie de notre famille au Rotary et peut-être comment nous pouvons interagir les uns avec les autres.

#### appartient à notre famille au Rotary?

- Les membres du club; Les conjoints; Inner Wheel (anciennement Rotary-Anns)
- Enfants, parents, autres parents; familles des Rotariens décédés
- Youth Exchange et leurs familles
- Interactiens, Rotaractiens et RYLArians
- Les Boursiers Ambassadeurs, les anciens boursiers etc

#### Pourquoi la famille du Rotary est importante?

- Construit des amitiés durables; Améliore la vie de famille
- Favorise la compréhension et la paix du monde; la solidarité, la tolérance
- Contribue à la croissance de l'effectifs et de la diversité
- Renforce l'engagement des clubs et des membres au service

#### Comment pouvons-nous nous occuper des Rotariens comme faisant partie de la famille?

- N'oubliez pas les anniversaires
- Aider les quand ils sont malades, solitaires, ou ayant des difficultés
- Partager leur douleur pendant et après un décès dans la famille
- Célébrez les naissances, les mariages, et les graduations

#### Comment pouvons-nous impliquer nos familles et d'autres membres de la famille du Rotary?

- Lors de réunions spéciales du club, des événements sociaux
- Assistance à des collectes de fonds, des projets
- Visitez leurs réunions, conférences
- Aider les dans leurs projets

Que pensez-vous? D'autres annonces ! N'oubliez pas de m'envoyer vos pensées .....

#### FAISONS RAYONNER LE ROTARY ET LE DISTRICT 7020 !!

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## **END POLIO NOW**

Endemic Countries Left

## **2.5 BILLION**

Children Immunized Against Polio

119,350

Have signed on with Rotary to make history

#### NIGERIA MOVES TOWARD ERADICATION

In the next year Nigeria could cut the number of polio cases to zero, according to Nigeria's Minister of State for Health, Dr. Khaliru Alhassan. Despite continued insecurity in the north, the polio eradication effort has made great strides, resulting in only six cases of polio in 2014 (all but one in Kano State) compared to 43 at the same time last year.

More children in Nigeria are being reached with vaccines due to the provision of health services alongside polio vaccines, improved engagement from religious leaders, and increases in campaign quality. Health workers are providing <u>primary care</u> services, including treatment for malaria, malnutrition and diarrhoea, alongside the polio vaccine in key regions. The National Traditional Leaders' Committee has continued strong advocacy within their constituencies. Since 2010, 18,000 imams in high-risk areas have received training and information on polio, including messages to include in Friday prayers. And improved campaign quality means the proportion of children who have never been vaccinated against polio is steadily dropping. In June, a dose of inactivated polio vaccine was added to campaigns in parts of Borno and Yobe States to boost immunity among children who had already received oral polio vaccine.

To successfully eradicate polio, Nigeria must maintain strong commitment at all levels of society, particularly among government leaders during the election season.

Mothers wait to get their children vaccinated at the Kachalla comprehensive health centre in Maiduguri, north-east Nigeria. © UNICEF Nigeria 2014

<source> http://www.polioeradication.org/Portals/0/Document/Media/Newsletter/PN201409\_EN.pdf

# **Club Charter Celebrations**

#### Celebration/Activity Date

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



reason, of course."

#### AT THE CARIBBEAN PARTNERSHIP CELEBRATION - PUERTO RICO - AUGUST 8-10, 2014



Club de Port au Prince, Haiti

## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

... submitted by Patrick Adizua

THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY, NOW AN OFFICIAL TRF PROGRAM

"Rotary International's masterpiece is The Rotary Foundation. It transforms our dreams into splendid realities . . . it is the most generous expression of Rotarian generosity - a generosity that not only brings benefits but also brings help and cooperation to solve the problems that affect mankind. The Rotary Foundation achieves the best that mankind can possibly achieve."

PAULO COSTA 1990-1991 RI PRESIDENT

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

In the words of Arch C. Klumph:

"Money alone does little good. Individual service is helpless without money. The two together can be a Godsend to civilization."

As the new Rotary year began 1 July, and that means it's time to begin a new effort to have our members participate in Rotary's work by donating to the Annual Fund. Rotary's Every Rotarian Every Year (EREY) initiative empowers every Rotary member to be part of the humanitarian accomplishments of The Rotary Foundation.

The Rotary Foundation has a unique funding cycle that utilizes contributions for programs three years after they are received.

The three-year cycle gives districts time for program planning and participant selections, and allows The Rotary Foundation to invest the contributions. The earnings from those investments help pay for administration, program operations and fund development costs.

We had a district governor who told me the average age of his Rotary club was "deceased."

-- Wallace Ochterski (East Aurora, New York)



#### WHAT IS SHARE?

Through SHARE, Rotary districts share in the decision-making process by choosing which Rotary Foundation programs they wish to support and participate in. The Annual Fund SHARE system is the mechanism by which Rotary Foundation program awards are distributed worldwide.

Through the SHARE system, contributions to The Rotary Foundation are transformed into District Designated Funds (DDF)—the funds your district can allocate and to the World Funds-The funds the Trustees allocate. By giving to Annual Fund-SHARE we support both local and international efforts!

(1) Rotarians SHARE their resources with their fellow Rotarians around the world;

(2) The Rotary Foundation Trustees SHARE some of their decision-making responsibilities with the 540 Rotary Districts; and

(3) Rotarians SHARE Rotary with the world through their Rotary Foundation.

*Our contribution of Rotary year 2013-14 will be invested in Rotary year 2014-15, and projects will be selected in Rotary year 2015-16, with the funds actually spent in Rotary year 2016-17.* 

#### ORIGIN OF THE PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY PROGRAM

The program started as a district recognized program of D-5340 San Diego in 1997 by PDG Wayne Cusick. It was practiced as a source of direct district fund raising effort for TRF. It soon became popular with the rest of the Rotary world, although TRF had no involvement in the governance of the program.



In 2005, PDG Tom Lightbourne (RIP) introduced the program to our district and in his words then "The PHS is akin to a PHF on STEROIDS". DRFCC Lindsey, was entrusted with the responsibility to champion the program and what a job he did. However, the Trustees saw it fit to adopt it as an official program of TRF effective July 1, 2013.

#### D-7020 FUNDRAISING TOTAL FOR 2013-2014: USD 303,000.00

In 2016-2017 year, only 25% of that fund will be coming back to our district as block grants to be spent amongst more than 84 active clubs in the district and another 25% as DDF for global grant programs. We had only 35 clubs meeting the USD100 per capita and only 14 of those actually qualified for EREY Banners.

That's a whopping 16 percent! (And keep in mind, not every member has to give \$100 to qualify for the banner; the banners go to clubs that achieve a \$100 average per member with every member giving some amount, however small.)

Surely we can do better. I do not know the reason that we have such a low percentage of donors, but I would guess that part of it is this: we fail to ask. The most common reason people say they joined Rotary is that someone they respected ASKED. It's the same for the Foundation. If you want people to give, you have to ASK.

Think about it, a \$100 annual gift, the benchmark for the initiative, comes out to roughly \$2 a week. Who doesn't spend at least that much each week on things they can't even remember?

#### What can The Rotary Foundation do with your \$2 a week (\$100 annual gift)?

- Provide three cataract surgeries in India
- Buy 15 packets of teaching materials for a school in Costa Rica
- Feed a family in India or Pakistan for six months
- Bring clean water to 600 school kids in Africa

Not only do small contributions help do big things, but we, as Rotarians, have control over how the money is spent. Annual Fund contributions are divided between the World Fund and the District Designated Fund (DDF).

Each district gets to decide how to use its DDF to participate in Foundation grants and activities, not just internationally but in your own local community if you choose. Surely we can find a way to get every Rotarian to be a part of the Foundation's wonderful work by giving. Let's get more of those banners for Rotary year 2014-15!

#### THE DISTRICT 7020 FOUNDATION TEAM



 Above left – District 7020 Paul Harris Society Chair – PDGSC Patrick Adizua. Email: <a href="mailto:eyiche2@cwjamaica.com">eyiche2@cwjamaica.com</a>

 Second from left – Paul Harris Society Co-ordinator, Grand Cayman – PAG Rosalie Twohey. Email: <a href="mailto:rosiel@candw.ky">rosiel@candw.ky</a>

 Second from right – Paul Harris Society Co-ordinator East, St. Thomas – Marston Winkles. Email: <a href="mailto:mwinkles@hunterfoodsvi.com">mwinkles@hunterfoodsvi.com</a>

 Far right - Paul Harris Society Co-ordinator, Bahamas Joanne Smith. Email: <a href="mailto:jopatts1111@hotmail.com">jopatts1111@hotmail.com</a>

The link to a dedicated PHS page on the website is <u>www.rotary.org/paulharrissociety</u>. There, you will be able to join automatically and get more information about the Society.

#### WAYS TO JOIN:

- Go to the Rotary Website <u>www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/paul-harrissociety</u> and sign up to be a PHS Member. Enroll through Rotary Direct at a level of US\$1,000 or more (i.e. USD \$85 monthly, USD \$250 quarterly or USD \$1000 annually) and you will automatically be listed as a PHS member.
- Complete a portion or all of the PHS brochure or promotional handout and submit to the Rotary Foundation.
- Email or call the Contact Center (contact.center@rotary.org/+1-866-976-8279) and confirm your membership.

#### Dr. Patrick E. Adizua

Club President 2002-2003 Assistant Governor Jamaica Central 2005-2008 Rotary Leadership Institute-Sunshine Division Discussion Leader: Faculty District Grants Chair-D 7020 2008-2011 Club Rotary Foundation Chair 2013-2015 Club Administrator 2013-2015 Club Trainer 2013-2015 District 7020 Country Rotary Foundation Chair-Jamaica District 7020 Paul Harris Society Chair 2014-2015



International Literacy Day September 8, 2014

RLI St. Maarten/St. Martin September 13, 2014

International Day of Peace September 21, 2014

> World Food Day October 16, 2014

> World Polio Day October 24, 2014

World Interact Week November 3-9, 2014

International Women's Day March 8, 2015

> World Rotaract Week March 9-15, 2015

World Autism Awareness Day April 2, 2015

Earth Day, 2015 Wednesday, April 22, 2015

D7020 Conference 2015 – May Montego Bay, Jamaica

## CLUB NEWS – Where is your club?

## **ROTARY CLUB OF LIGUANEA PLAINS**

Rotary Doing Good in Africa

Shared by Friend of Rotary Carolyn Graham



#### **Rotary and the Roof of Africa**

This summer was a most amazing and challenging one as I visited Tanzania to climb the great Kilimanjaro.

The Roof of Africa, as the summit is often called by the locals, and the tallest free standing mountain in the world, Kilimanjaro looms 5895m over the plains.

It was a successful climb amidst altitude sickness, sun, rain, wind, dust and ice. The climb was arduous and more a test of will than physical strength, but the outcome was pride at accomplishing the task. Of course this was a team effort, assisted by guides, porters and fellow hikers, without whom it would not have been possible.

Of the many things I thought about while above the clouds in contemplation, was visiting with fellow

Rotarians and the orphanage. It dawned on me then that being a Rotarian takes much will and dedication, much more than climbing a mountain, at least the mountain ends. To do good in the world is a lifetime commitment beyond the physical and the material.

However, most importantly it is a team effort. As the guides and porters on the mountain were keen on each one making it to the top, so are Rotarians keen on doing good, brining smiles to faces at the sight of running water, books, food, homes and all the other projects in which Rotarians the world over are involved.

While I was happy at successfully summiting the mountain, I was also pleased to visit with the Rotary Club of Moshi, even moreso as the meeting was also the installation of the president for the new Rotary year, President Elimringi Maringo.

I was warmly welcomed by then secretary Lucy Renju, with whom I had made contact via email, having found the club online. Their biggest project for this year is the refurbishing and equipping of the Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre, of which the community is in dire need.





Carolyn is living in the UK pursuing a doctoral degree. She is from Jamaica and was a member of the Rotary Club of Liguanea Plains.

While Carolyn commitments do not allow her to commit to a full fledge membership, she continues to contribute to early childhood literacy by supporting Rotary works in the UK as much as possible.

We thank her for sharing her passion with us.

It was also a pleasure to visit the Kilimanjaro orphanage centre that serves children whose parents have died of HIV/AIDS or those fleeing female circumcision.

A donation of exercise books and cash was made and a promise that I would return. There is much work to be done in that small section of Moshi and it is the hope that Rotary's work can be extended there.

It is possible with the joining of forces. As I give thanks for an amazing experience, I also look forward to the shining of Rotary's light in the lives of these children and the community.





## **ROTARY CLUB OF ST. CROIX MID-ISLE**

**ONLINE RAFFLE – WINTER GET-AWAY** 

Dear Friends of Rotary Mid-Isle

The Rotary Club of St Croix Mid-Isle is currently hosting an online raffle for a 7-day vacation to St Croix USVI. The raffle will be held on October 15 and all proceeds are going directly back into our community service and international efforts.

Maybe you need to escape Winter, maybe you just want to visit another island in the Caribbean, Or Maybe you'd like to have someone from the states come visit you! In any case, enter now, and soon you may be planning your Winter GetAway!!

https://rotarymidisle.raffleready.com/rotary-midisle-winter-get-away-raffle

Please share this with any other friends you feel may be interested in a great prize for a good cause!!



The package includes:

- 7 nights' accommodations with NO blackout dates (subject to hotel occupancy only) at the Palms at Pelican Cove resort on St. Croix, USVI. <u>http://www.palmspelicancove.com/</u>
- \$1000.00 CASH for use toward airfare, excursions, shopping sprees, or for whatever your heart desires.
- 7 day car rental including a full tank of gas from Olympic Car Rentals <u>http://www.olympicstcroix.com/</u>

We are also pleased to include the following excursions:

- Sweeny's Island Safari Tour 2 persons <u>http://www.gotostcroix.com/guided-island-tours/sweenys-safari-tours</u>
- Historic Walking Tour of Christiansted with Historian Nina York
  Discover Scuba Diving 2 persons at the World Famous Cane Bay
- Dive Shop <u>http://www.canebayscuba.com/</u>
- And a welcome package from the VI Department of Tourism

And remember, no passport is needed when traveling from the United States!

Kim DeLine Rotary Club of St. Croix Mid-Isle



## **ROTARY CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN**



DG Paul Brown and First Lady Kay's visit gave all the clubs of the Cayman Islands an opportunity to meet, learn from, inspire and have fun with Paul and Kay.

ST. CROIX SAFARI TOUR

773-6700

The DG began his year of Official Visits with a visit to The Cayman Islands with Turks and Caicos Islands his next destination. Paul and Kay were delighted to share fellowship and expand friendships with the Rotarians of the Cayman Islands.

At the same time, he was keen to hear our plans and in what ways he can be of assistance to clubs in the Cayman Islands so that we can achieve our goals effectively.

At left - President Kim Remizowski, President Brian Hurley, President Larry Tibbetts, 7020 AG Eric Bush, 7020 DG Paul, Kay Brown, William Inniss (Communications Director for the Rotary Grand Central club).

## San Francisco next for Haines

Courtesy of : Ron Shillingford, Cayman Compass

Derek Haines takes on the fourth of his six marathons as part of a bid to raise \$1 million for a new building in Camana Bay for Cayman HospiceCare this weekend.

It is the San Francisco Marathon and so far training has gone well for the 65-year-old Englishman despite the blazing heat.

He has already completed 26.2 mile runs in Paris, London and Pamplona, Spain.

Unlike the first three marathons, Haines managed to do some hill work in Trinidad last week in preparation for this Sunday's run.

Long distance runners love training up and down hills to build extra strength and endurance.

The topography for the upcoming race shows some hills so the two mile long steep incline Haines was running every morning ought to stand him in good stead.

This will be his 37th marathon with a personal best of 2 hours, 59 minutes, although that was many years ago and he expects to complete this one in about four hours.

Cayman Islands Rotary President Brian Hurley and Rotarian Tim Bradley and family are also making the journey.

Hurley is running the first half marathon and Bradley the second half with Haines.

The San Francisco Marathon is always a popular event and this



Derek Halnes has raised over \$600,000 so far. - PHOTO: RON SHILLINGFORD

year is no exception with entry to the marathon and two half marathons now closed.

The course takes a loop through the city, starting from the Ferry Building and hits classic San Francisco spots like Fisherman's Wharf, The Golden Gate Bridge and Park, Haight Street, The Mission and AT&T Park.

To promote local interest, there will be a 6K race that will start at 7 a.m. on the same day so as to coincide with the start in San Francisco which is 5 a.m. there. Digicel are supplying the refreshments for participants and the start and finish will be close to the Digicel store in Camana Bay.

The course will loop round the

Cayman International School and part of Britannia Golf Course. Entry is \$20 with proceeds going to the Hospice Challenge.

The Hospice fund is still continuing to grow with \$604,000 now donated or pledged. The recent texting partnership between LIME and Digicel was a huge success. The Dublin Marathon will be his fifth event, on Oct. 27 and finally it's the Cayman one on Dec. 7.

Haines said he was touched by the manner he received from one particular donator. "I was down at Meals on Wheels in School Road when a man rode by on his bike," he said. "With a head full of dreadlocks, I knew him from years ago and was unsure why he was calling to me until he turned round and said: 'Mr Haines, I like what you are doing. I know you will do it so I'm going to give you \$5.'

"He actually gave me \$6 but what a lovely gesture from someone who did not appear to have much money."

Haines added that the support from the local community remains strong and he is extremely grateful to everyone who has donated so far, both with large and small sums. "Please keep the support coming."

Further details can be viewed on the Hospice Challenge website www.six4hospice.com.



Courtesy of :Ron Shillingford | Cayman Compass

Robing to raise to fund a new Cayman HospiceCare building, and the organization's chairman Chris Duggan is really appreciative.

Derek once again ran an incredible race, finishing fractionally over four hours on Sunday despite the hilly terrain of the San Francisco course. It was the fourth of his six 26.2-mile marathons and brought the amount raised or pledged to \$615,000.

Rotairian Chris Duggan said Derek was disappointed not to get under four hours mark, but just to finish in that time given the undulating roads was "an outstanding accomplishment, and once again Derek should be very proud of his achievement.

"Derek continues to amaze us all with his determination, commitment and resiliency and I cannot express how appreciative we are for what he is doing for Cayman HospiceCare," Duggan said.

He added that although the fundraising has waned slightly, he is hoping that with a concerted effort in the next few months they can reach the \$1 million mark.

It will not be through lack of trying as the community effort continues with new ideas to help the cause. A hurriedly arranged 6K run at Camana Bay on Sunday added around \$700 to the target. Thirty-six started the run that was won by swimming coach Dominic Ross. Triathlete Paul Schreiner pushed his stroller, and martial arts exponent David Reid used the opportunity to also exercise his energetic dog Snuggles.

"We are really very appreciative of the overwhelming support that the community has given to this campaign and to Cayman HospiceCare," Duggan said. "The new building will very much be a testament to how a community can come together to achieve incredible results."

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Further details can be viewed on the Hospice Challenge website www.six4hospice.com.

### **ROTARY CLUB OF NEW KINGSTON, JAMAICA**

**Tuesday Night with the Rotarians** 



Rotary Club of New Kingston prez Lloyd Butler (centre) briefed guest speaker Julian Robinson, minister of state in the Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining, and the club's public relations director Oneal Johnson, about his checklist of projects.

The 24-year-old *Rotary Club of New Kingston* — led by President Lloyd Butler — welcomed its members and guests to an after-work cocktail media lyme at The Courtleigh Hotel's bar Tuesday evening, August 12.

Rubbing shoulders and trading business cards, the intimate gathering nibbled on finger food catered by the Knutsford Boulevard-venued hotel and sipped glasses of vino, while listening to guest speaker Julian Robinson, minister of state in the Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining, talk about government policies.

(PHOTO: JOSEPH WELLINGTON)



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## ROTARY CLUBS OF OCHO RIOS, JAMAICA

... submitted by PP Pixley Irons

District Governor Paul Brown visited the three Clubs in Ocho Rios on the 30th of July. At a reception following the Meeting, a cake was presented with the Rotary Logo.

At left - Margaret, Ocho Rios Club; President Jonie Dale, Ocho Rios East; DG Paul, President Nakieta, Rotary Club of St Mary.

## ROTARY CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN SUNRISE

... submitted by Gina McBryan

Rotary Grand Cayman Sunrise kicked off Membership & Partnership month in party style with a focus to celebrate our current members, honorary members and friends/spouses of our members.

We had fun ice breakers and activities throughout the month to allow everyone to get to know each other better. Activities like "People Bingo," "Who Am I," "Diversity Map," "Scrabble Scrum," "To Me, Rotary is…" photo booth and even some arts and crafts to show our support and partnership to our sponsored Rotaract club.

We encouraged members to bring guests to the meetings throughout August, invited past (loved and lost) members and spouses of



all our members, honorary members and spouses/partners and friends.

members... and we had the highest showing of guests recorded in some time. Everyone had fun with the planned activities and we are likely to see a few guests become members as a result.

At left - "People Bingo" activity in action where members use bingo cards to find members that match the description. Match 5 in a row and yell BINGO. Member celebration slideshow on the TV in the background playing throughout the meeting. Rotarians Ivana Faltysova and Deirdre McFarlane. Background – Pat Kreitlow, Lynne Whittaker, Susan Fraser, Hendrik van Genderen, Eddie Balderamos

We recognized our Honorary Rotarians with certificates, presented last year's members who achieved perfect attendance and put together a slide show recognizing s/partners and friends.



We held a fun happy hour fellowship where members, family, Rotaractors and kids came out to the family friendly location to enjoy each other's company.

We launched our joint Rotary/Rotaract club "Awareness and Membership Drive" Project to target businesses throughout Grand Cayman. This joint effort ensures potential members can receive information about all our clubs with a shared presentation and brochure about all 5 clubs.

At left – including the next 2 photos on the net page - "Brown Paper Bag" arts and crafts activity to help educate our members on the Rotaract community project they do monthly and provide our partnership and support to them with Rotarian designed bags. We provided 38 bags in total and even our guests got involved. Here is PP Delroy Jefferson

To top it all off, we wanted to show how grateful we are to all our 86 active members, honorary members and prospective members so we presented hand written thank you cards with individualized photos of each person inside and a personalized message to show how thankful we are to have each of them as a club member.



Above Left – Guest of club, Kamila Wolar. Right – Rotarian Pat Kreitlow and PP Gordon Hewitt



All the activities throughout the month were a big hit and we plan to continue many of the activities well into the Rotary year to keep the engagement levels up and interest for existing and new members.

At left - Fellowship Happy Hour that included club members, spouses, kids, Rotaractors and honorary Rotarians. Foreground – Stee Sokohl, Frank Balderamos, Barbara Oosterwyk, Martha Connolly, Ajoni Ambersley. Background – Sabrina Douglas, Gordon Richens, Enoka Richens, Geoff Mathews, Christine Mathews

## **ROTARY CLUB OF MONTEGO BAY, JAMAICA**

...submitted by Dominica Pradere ...from the Jamaica Gleaner

### GLADSTON ALLEN PLEASED WITH NEW WHEELCHAIR

By Claudia Gardner, Assignment Coordinator, Western Bureau

Even though a double amputee, 84-year-old Gladston Allen is as sharp as a razor, and a happy man. He might have lost his legs, but he still possesses a very firm handshake, and a remarkable sense of humour.

The father of three has his early origins in Green Island, Hanover, but in his boyhood years moved to Westmoreland to live with his father, where he said he attended The Manning's School for just under two years, before running off to Kingston on a market truck. Over the decades, he did a series of what he referred to as "odd jobs" at entities, including seaports and at Red Stripe.





Currently, he is a resident at the Lucea Infirmary to which he moved three years ago.

"I didn't like it (school) very much. I skipped school many days and went off with my friends and go all over the place to do fishing and so," he said. "Then I ran off to Kingston just before the 1951 storm. I came back to Green Island in 1972 when my parents got old. They had some land and property and I came back to help them with the land and so forth."

On Wednesday, Allen was in for a treat, as members of the Rotary Club of Montego Bay <u>Dominica</u> Pradere and Denton Campbell visited his regular haunt, the Lucea library, to present him with a special wheelchair to aid him in getting around, and to replace the worn one that he was using. An all-terrain vehicle, the wheelchair is arm propelled and has storage space, which will enable him to transport his library books and other items.

Above - Gladston Allen and friend Rodney Steward pose at his jewellery stand at the front of the Lucea Infirmary. - Photo by Claudia Gardner

It was acquired through the Rotary Club of <u>Montego Bay's</u> wheelchair project, in collaboration with the Sioux Falls Rotary Club in North Dakota and the Hope Haven Foundation in the United States, which reconditions used wheelchairs and other mobility aids. Allen was one of the recipients from Hanover selected by the Rotary Club of Lucea to benefit from the programme.

The senior was overwhelmed with joy at his new means of transportation and as soon as he was strapped on to the vehicle, immediately started to propel himself around the library compound.

"I am pleased with it, but I need a little more practice. It nice. I like it. It's firm and my hands not going to be dirtied up. They will remain clean," he told **Western Focus**.

Allen told **Western Focus** that he lost one of his legs after he was hit by a motor vehicle. He said the other leg also got infected and was removed three months ago. Nonetheless, he said he is happy that the second leg has been removed as it had become not only a source of discomfort to himself, but because he did not want to cause additional stress to his caregivers at the infirmary.

"I am very comfortable now, very, very much comfortable. I prefer it this way," he explained.

An avid reader, Allen is one of the oldest members of the Hanover Parish Library, which he joined six months ago, and where Library Assistant Marvin Jowrey has been providing him with computer lessons. Allen told **Western Focus** that he has been reading his favourite newspaper, **The Gleaner**, from as long as he could remember, and still purchases copies of the publication whenever possible.

"I like to read a lot. I prefer **The Gleaner**. Sports and horoscope are my favourite. When I was small I always have my **Gleaner** in my pocket. People always call me "pickpocket" because I always walk with my **Gleaner** in my back pocket," he said laughing. "I love my **Gleaner** though, all now I buy my **Gleaner**. And when I don't buy it, I borrow it from Matron."

"At the library, I read books about history, like Marcus Garvey. I don't read fiction; I don't like those," he said.

Allen is also a seasoned jewellery maker, a skill he learnt many years ago as a craft trader in Negril. On weekdays, he sets up his sales stand at the front of the infirmary in a bid to attract sales from visitors to the adjoining Hanover Museum.

"I put out my jewellery to sell Mondays to Fridays. They are very beautiful. Anybody who sees them would like them. But right now, I need a market for my products," he said.

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



http://rotaryservice.wordpress.com/2014/08/06/promoting-literacy-by-recognizing-young-authors/

## Rotary Service Connections | English

Connect, partner, and serve through Rotary

## Promoting literacy by recognizing young authors

Leave a reply

By Diana White, past district governor and member of Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean, District 7020

It all started when my friend Past District Governor Donna Wallbank opened my eyes to the very successful nationwide youth programs run by Rotary across the UK. I was amazed and inspired by these competition-based programs, particularly "Young Writer". That gave me the idea of suggesting a contest as a project for our E-Club, the Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean. The original plan was simply to run a



story writing competition, but a brainstorming session with club members led to "we need to share these children's stories online". As ideas were put forward, the *Butterfly StoryBook* emerged!



Young authors pose with their certificates of recognition for their contributions to the Butterfly Storybook

We couldn't realize this dream without the support of the other clubs in District 7020. Clubs were invited to initiate their own local story writing contest and send the top three stories to us. These winning stories, focusing on Rotary ideals, came to life in the *Butterfly StoryBook*. Feedback from students and teachers alike has been positive. They praise the Rotary club for focusing primary school children on important values such as truth, fairness, friendship and helping others.

After designing the book and posting it online in a magazine style, the next question was "how can we get this wonderful book published for all to read, and to do it for free?"! Our assistant governor told us about CreateSpace, a self -publishing subsidiary of Amazon. All we had to do was provide the creativity and upload the book — free!

After the <u>Butterfly StoryBook</u> was published and placed on Amazon worldwide, the Jamaica Reading Association (JRA) discovered it. They needed to find an age appropriate book for children for Jamaica Reading Week and contacted our e-club directly. Their partnership has been incredible! They made copies of selected stories and their members and volunteers from First Heritage helped distribute the stories to 30 Jamaican primary schools.

We are grateful to JRA and proud to receive the Pearson Foundation Literacy Award. The grant will enable us to increase the number of *Butterfly StoryBooks* we can send to underprivileged students and to provide the JRA with hard copies of the books next year.



A student poses with his copy of the Butterfly Storybook, distributed by the Jamaican Reading Association

The Rotary-International Reading Association Literacy

Award, made possible by the Pearson Foundation, recognized two literacy projects undertaken jointly by a Rotary club and International Reading Associate affiliated council.



Rotary Club of Eilat on The Red Sea P.O.B. 330 Eilat 88102 Istael Rotar

Rotary International District 2490 Club No. 13454

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## Service Above Self

Eilat, August 18th , 2014 - 22 Av 5774

#### Dear members of Rotary E-Club 7020 of the Caribbean,

In the name of the members of the board, the Rotarians of Eilat and in the name of our president, P/Harel, please except our sincere well-wishes and greetings! At our last meeting Monday-evening the international toast was given to your district and the Rotarians toasted you all with a glass of good Israeli wine, a tradition in our club for many years. The main reason for our toast is to express our feelings of appreciation for the activities of your club especially due to the fact that a very nice project of your club was presented at the International Rotary Facebook site regarding book writing contest – "The Butterfly StoryBook". Finding out about your E-club as well, was very inspiring and innovative for us.

Our club was chartered in 1964. We have been toasting clubs all over the world in the interest of International under-standing and fellowship, and in the spirit of Rotary International. Eilat is the most Southern of Israel's 60 Rotary-clubs, on the shores of the Red Sea

In case you or one of the members of your club will come to this part of the world for business, pleasure of pilgrimage, please come and visit us. Our meetings are held in Hebrew, but we will be able to translate the contents into Arabic, Dutch, English, or German....

We hope you have a successful Rotary-year. Our very best wishes to you, the members of your board, the Rotarians of your club and their families.

With Rotarian greetings, yours sincerely, R/Betty – International Relations 2014/15

CC : P/Mike R/Moshe - Secretary IPP/Jacky Pri-Gal P.H.F.

## **ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MARTIN SUNRISE**

... submitted by Kameela Piper

## Disaster Management presentation given to Rotary Sunrise

**Philipsburg, August 2, 2014:** Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise hosted a special meeting at Carl & Sons Pondfill on Emergency and Disaster Preparedness. Dr. Virginia Asin, President of the Rotary Club of St Martin Sunrise, welcomed Dr. Paul Martens, head of the Office of Disaster Management St. Maarten Fire Department, who was the presenter for that evening.

The hurricane season was used to reiterate hurricane preparedness but also to talk about other emergencies and disasters that can occur on Sint Maarten. The presentation defined what a disaster was and the types of disasters that exist, with hurricanes and tropical storms being the most common to St. Maarten. Improvements such as legislation, implementing a disaster management system and enhancing the construction, drainage and infrastructure were discussed.

The Organization Disaster Management & Command Structure is a well thought out plan of action in case a disaster strikes. It shows the head of the structure being the Prime Minister of St. Maarten supported by the Fire Chief, Head of Disaster Management and 10 Emergency Support Function (ESF) groups. ESF groups are government and non-government agencies whose responsibilities are varied depending on the agency and type of disaster. For example ESF 1, GEBE would be responsible for getting light and water restored quickly as possible, while ESF 6, Public Health and Medical Assistance would be responsible for surveillance, risk mitigation disease prevention and medical assistance among other things.





Above left - Dr. Asin thanks Dr. Martens as Rotary Sunrise Secretary/President-Elect Marcellia Henry and Vice President and Disaster Management Chair looks on. Above right - Rotary Sunrise raffle winners - Rotary Sunrise member Janine Vos, Rotary St. Martin Nord member Jean Gabriel Crespin. and raffle coordinator and Rotary Sunrise member Joseanne Peterson (center).

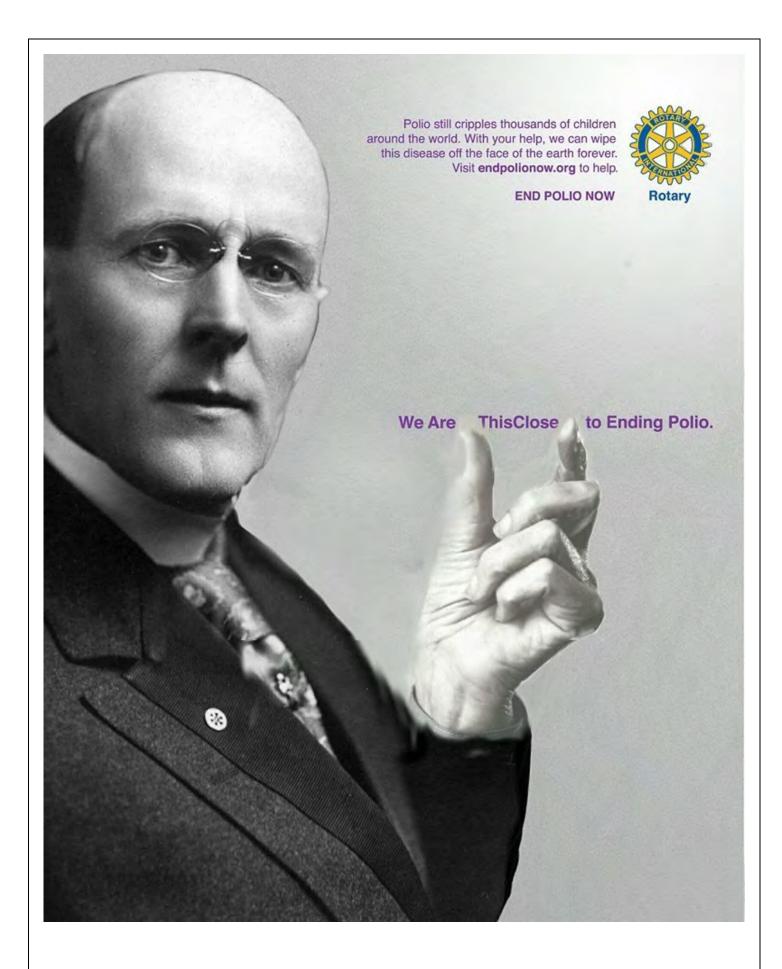
On behalf of the club, Dr. Asin thanked Dr. Martens for a very informative session. She also extended thanks to Rotarians from the Rotary Club of St. Martin Nord, Rotaract and fellow guests who attended the presentation.

In addition, a raffle was also held for those in attendance. The gift baskets were donated by Manrique Capriles. The baskets were filled with beauty products for both men and women.

#### ON FELLOWSHIP

I found out that the King of Sweden, King Carl XVI Gustaf, was a Rotarian in the Rotary club in Stockholm. One of the great things about Rotary is that there is no rank – everybody is all the same. It is a tradition, though not a rule, from what I understand, that everyone is to be called by their first name. So, this fellow may have been "Your Most Imperial Highness, King Gustaf, XVI" when he was on the throne, but when he was at the noon meeting of the Rotary club, he was Carl. I thought that was a wonderful think.

-- Dick Erdman, Shiloh, Illinois



## **ROTARY CLUBS OF ST. CROIX**

**NEW ROTARY YEAR** 

... submitted by Chris Langella



At left - AG Debra Howell swearing in President Chris Langella, Rotary St. Croix and President Ben Mshila, Rotary St. Croix-Harborside at joint installation dinner on June 26 at Villa Morales – At right – the Board

#### SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Stanley Farrelly 2014 Scholarship for graduating seniors attending college to study in the field of Criminal Justice were awarded to Silkia Carmona and Cody Cook.

Ms. Carmona graduated from St. Croix Educational Complex and Mr. Cook graduated from AZ Academy. Both will be studying at University of the Virgin Islands.

The scholarship award is for \$1200.00 each. Congratulations to both recipients and their families.



At left - Cody Cook and Silkia Carmona with President Sandra.

Below – President Sandra with recipients' families



## **ROTARY CLUB OF ST. THOMAS, USVI**

#### Rotary Club of St. Thomas Sunrise Donates \$2,500 to My Brother's Workshop for Equipment

Scott Bradley, the founder of My Brothers' Workshop, was joined recently by several Rotary Sunrise members while he strode the isled in Home Depot picking up essential tools and pieces of equipment that the workshop needed to continue its mission of training at-risk, St. Thomas youth with marketable vocational skills.

Members of Rotary Sunrise Club donated \$2,500 to My Brothers' Workshop, making the shopping trip possible. The Sunrise Club also raises money throughout the year for a number of other projects, chief of which are college scholarships for VI students.



My Brother's Workshop, originally founded in 2006, presently has 10 full-time students and three part time students. Students usually begin the program with a 3month introductory program and then advance to a nine (9) month pre-apprentice program. Each trainee is an individual, but the average is a year in the program. Students graduate from My Brothers Workshop when job placement is found or the student decides to further their education through programs such as Job Corps.

At left - Scott Bradley, Instructor Donald Rivera, student Leshawn Andrew, and Rotarian Lynn Igwemadu

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

### ROTARY CLUB OF KINGSTON EAST AND PORT ROYAL Health Fair 2014

... submitted by Dameon Brackett

On Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> of august 2014, the Rotary Club of Kingston East and Port Royal hosted a Health Fair at the St. Mark's Methodist Church in Harbour View, Kingston, Jamaica.

There was a substantial turn out of person from the community who came in to take advantage of the services that were offered. These included:

- Doctors examination
- Blood pressure checks
- Blood sugar checks
- Health talks
- HIV/Aids screening facilitated by the Jamaica Red Cross Society
- Eye screening facilitated by the Lion's Club of St. Andrew Central
- Blood cholesterol checks facilitated by the Heart Foundation of Jamaica

The Health Fair saw persons from as far as Bull Bay, St. Andrew to Gold Street (Kingston) turning up to utilize the services offered. The age group of person participating ranged from three (3) month old Crisian Christopher to 103 year old Ms. Mabel White (photo 5 below). One hundred and ninety-six persons (196) participated in the Health Fair – seventy-nine persons doctor's visits, forty-five persons screening for HIV/AIDs, twenty-five cholesterol testing and forty-seven persons doing eye screening.



Above left – Gary conducting registration for eye screening. At right – Lions' Club representative conducting eye screening



Above left – President Winsome doing registration. At right – Director Angela doing intake for persons wishing to see the doctor.



At left - Pres. Winsome and fellow Rotarians and friends share a photo op with Centenarian Ms. Mabel White.

#### ON INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

I've had the opportunity, just recently, to have these Rotary moments, where connections are made between people who are otherwise different. The barriers come tumbling down, and love and understanding pour out. If there is ever struggle and doubt about what you're doing, and that happens to everybody, know that these things happen and that Rotary is good.

-- William"Bill" Tubbs, Eldridge, Iowa

## CLUBS OF USVI NORTH JOIN FORCES TO IMPROVE LITERACY

... submitted by Claudia LaBorde

For the past six years, elementary and middle school children of the US Virgin Islands have been challenged to *spend their summers reading*, a slogan of the Virgin Islands Summer Reading Challenge.

This initiative began six years ago by the territory's Governor, John P. deJongh, in conjunction with the department of education and the public libraries.



Students are presented with five books which they read during the summer. When they return to school in September, the students participate in a day of fun activities in recognition of their reading achievements. "Through this effort, we hope that students Territory-wide discover a love of reading that will stay with them throughout their lives," the Governor said.

With Rotary's emphasis on education and literacy, the clubs of USVI North (St Thomas, St Thomas II, Charlotte Amalie, East, Sunrise and St. John) together with the Inner Wheel Club of St Thomas supported the Reading Challenge by donating over 1000 books. The money used for the books was raised earlier in the year when the clubs honored their Paul Harris Fellows and Inner Wheel Rose Council members.

Educators recommended books authored by Caribbean writers, and what better group of young Caribbean authors could Rotary have found than those whose stories appear in the *Butterfly Storybooks* produced by the *Rotary E-Club of the Caribbean*, 7020.

Five hundred (500) copies of Volumes 1 and 2 were secured with the assistance of PDG, Diana White, in record-breaking time, and members of all clubs gathered together to label the books with a special message from Rotary. Pictured here, Rotarians had just completed the labeling and gathered together for a photo op.

It was a win-win partnership for the USVI North clubs, but especially for the children in the Territory.

#### ON COMMUNITY SERVICE

I saw, at the bottom of a church bulletin, the words: "The worship has concluded. The service begins." It could so easily be adapted to Rotary, "The club meeting has finished. The service begins."

-- Elias Thomas, Acton, Maine

## **ROTARY CLUB OF MONTEGO BAY SUNRISE**

... submitted by Suzette Ramdanie-Linton

#### The Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise partners with Le Antonio's Foundation in their Annual Back to School Treat

The Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise partnered with Le Antonio Foundation for their annual Back-to-School Treat and Book Drive.

More than 200 students from within Montego Bay's inner-city areas benefited from the initiative.



The youngsters were treated to a fun-filled day, with free backto-school packages, including books, school bags, pencils and other educational supplies. The event featured a live and exciting outside broadcast with Barrington 'Barry G' Gordon of Mello FM.

At left - From the Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise -Sweelen Fearon, Alene Seabury, President Suzette Ramdanie-Linton, Rondene Robertson, Simone Eubanks; seated Anthony McKoy, Founder and President of Le Antonio's Foundation

*Left below* - *President Suzette Ramdanie-Linton being interviewed by Barrington 'Barry G' Gordon of Mello FM.* 

**Right below** – Hand-over of back-to-school supplies for the kids





**At left -** Banner exchange and donation of school items towards our Back to School Project by Rotarian Jeremy Moritz of the Rotary Club of LA Crosse-After Hours to Secretary Simone Ebanks



The Rotary Club of Montego Bay Sunrise contributed US\$100 to the World's Greatest Meal to End Polio from proceeds of its Annual Awards and Installation Banquet.

## **ROTARY CLUB OF ST. MAARTEN MID-ISLE**

... submitted by PAG Louis Wever

#### Photos of recent fellowship

Monique Alberts was our guest speaker. She is the director of the Library here in St. Maarten. Also we had the honor to have the President of the Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise, Dr. Virginia Asin. She also give us a look to their program for this year. We had four guests at this meeting.



At left - Wayne Johnson, Thomas Roggendorf, Amanda Wever and Corine Mazereeuw. At right - Wayne Johnson Thomas Roggendorf Standing President Wayne Wilkie presenting Thomas with a birthday card and next Amanda Wever.



At left - Guest Speaker Monique Alberts and President Wayne Wilkie. At right - Peter Mazereeuw with visiting President St. Maarten Sunrise Virginia Asin.



At left - Corine Mazereeuw, Peter Mazereeuw and visiting President Rotary Sunrise Virginia Asin. At right- Wayne Johnson, Thomas Roggendorf: Amanda Wever and Corine Mazereeuw.



At left - Prospective Member Nasser Ajubi, Jon Hart, Wayne Johnson, Thomas Roggendorf. At right - Ray Green, Millie de Weever, Marcia Illidge, Russel Bell.



At left - Thomas Roggendorf, Tony da Cunha, Ray Green, Millie de Weever. At right - Jeffrey de la Combe, David Antrobus, Tony da Cunha, Ramesh Manek.



At left Peter Mazereeuw, President St. Maarten Sunrise Virginia Asin, presenting their program. At right - Club Director Wayne Johnson update us about our program.



At left - President St. Marten Sunrise, Virginia Asin, Guest Speaker Monique Albert and president Wayne Wilkie. At right - Guest speaker Monique Alberts receiving a token of appreciation form President Wayne Wilkie



## 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.

St. Maarten/St. Martin Rotaract Clubs planned a summer's end party. We hope to hear all about it for the next issue.





#### **ROTARACT CLUB OF EAST NASSAU**

Members of the Rotaract Club of East Nassau along with the Rotaract Club of South East Nassau Centennial and the Bain and Grant's Town Urban Renewal Center held a book reading at the Nassau Public Library on Shirley and Parliament Streets.

During this event Old Bahamian Folktales were read to about 20 kids from the Bain and Grants Town community.

Additionally, some of the kids read stories to the members of the club and their peers; showing their strength in literacy.

Questions were asked at the end of each reading and prizes given to the kids for correct answers.

At left – Rotaractor Ralpha Moxey.

Also, before the start of the book reading 12 small plants were planted in front of the library by kids and Rotaractors to aid in beautifying the front exterior of the library.



#### **ROTARACT ST. MARTIN SUNRISE**

The Rotary Club of St. Martin Sunrise would like to thank Rotaract St. Martin Sunrise member Elisia Lake in her capacity of District Rotaract Representative (DRR) who paid us a visit at our regular breakfast meeting.



DRR Elisia presented her year plan for District 7020 and updated the club on the Rotaract District Conference which will be held in St. Maarten in 2015.

At left - Vice President Claret Connor, DRR Elisia Lake, and New Generations Chair Paula Gordon.



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## 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!

## **INTERACTOR SAYS YOUTH EXCHANGE IS UNFORGETTABLE**

#### By Augusto La Colla, a Rotary Youth Exchange student from Villa Regina, Argentina, to Muenster, Germany

Through my <u>Interact</u> club in Argentina, I learned of an opportunity last year to go on a Rotary Youth Exchange to Muenster, Germany. I want to echo what others have said on <u>this blog</u>, that Youth Exchange is an unforgettable experience. I had the pleasure of staying with two families in Germany — the Kirchhoffs and Beikers — and I consider both part of my family. Getting to know the German culture, to be a part of it, and to be immersed in it, I developed a new appreciation for my home country, and the world beyond. It made me realize just how amazing this world is, and gave me a desire to work to make the world a better place.

prace.



*From left, Tobias Kirchhoff, my host father in Germany, me, and my host brothers Philipp and Julian during a trip to Switzerland.* 

I grew so much during the year. I experienced different lifestyles, a different language, and a great deal of new emotions. I allowed myself to explore different ideas and behaviors, and they helped shape my character. The year helped define who I am.

Because I belonged to an Interact club back home, I spent time with Rotaract in my host country, and took part in many enriching activities. It even confirmed my choice of profession. In Argentina, I go to a technical school with a speciality in architecture. During the last month of my exchange, I spent two weeks learning from German architects and engineers, visiting their work.

In October, I traveled around Germany for two weeks with 50 other exchange students, and spent three weeks in Europe in April. I enjoyed Christmas in Germany with my host family, and a wonderful New Years in Switzerland.

One of my newfound German brothers accompanied me on my return trip to Argentina, and I spent time together with both my German and Argentinian families in Buenos Aires.

Because of all these experiences, I am more confident in my ability to make a difference in the world and I believe we can build peace. Anything is possible, if we work for it.

I thank Rotary for this incredible experience. If you have an opportunity, go on a Rotary Youth Exchange. It will change your life.

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