

# **GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER**



# PETS, Assembly & Conference Suriname 2018, 25th – 28th April

# 26th District Conference

A Colorful Experience



#### Fellow Rotarians,

This issue of the Newsletter is all about PETS and Conference.

We have a lot of pictures for you and soon many more on the District website.

Let me take this opportunity to especially thank all our friends from abroad for their participation. We know that it is not easy to get to Suriname: you have embraced our colors, enjoyed our display of cultures and our diversity of food. It was great because of you!

The Organizing Committee chaired by Steven Tjin a Djie did a fantastic job.

There was everything an event like this should have: learning, sharing knowledge, we were refreshed and motivated by the speeches of PRID Brad, the President's representative to the Conference, and of course Fellowship, Fun and Food.

Nice, great projects were presented to us. We also talked about financial accountability and financial management, something I have found to be a challenge in many clubs.

With regard to the Rotary (Presidential) Citation there is still some work to do: only 17 of 71 clubs have reached Rotary Citation status. Some clubs are very close to reach that status. To be of relevance to the community and to the

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We are also lagging on our goal to contribute to the Foundation. Think about it: In the 26 year as District 7030 we contributed USD 3.8 million and received through Grants a little more than USD 11 million.

So although we celebrated our achievements, there is still some work to be done before we hand over on the 30th June.

We are in the final stages of our year, the last lap: time for the ultimate sprint to reach the finish in style.

No pressure, but I count on you!

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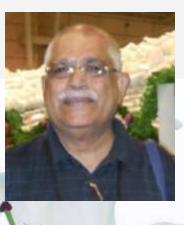


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Aruba	4	2	6	7	5
Barbados	2	2	4	2	3
Barbados South	1	2	2	3	2
Barbados West	4	2	5	4	7
Basse Terre	0	1	0	0	0
Basse Terre FSC	1	1	5	0	0
Bonaire Cayenne	0 4	1	1 6	2 4	3 5
Cayenne-Est	4	1	5	4	2
Central Port of Spain	4	2	6	6	8
Chaguanas	2	2	5	2	3
Corriverton, Berbice	1	2	3	0	0
Curaçao	0	1	2	0	2
Demerara	2	1	6	1	7
Diego Martin, Port of Spain	0	1	2	1	0
Dominica	1	0	8	0	2
Felicity/Charlieville	3	2	6	3	5
Fort-de-France	0	1	2	0	2
Fort-de-France Ouest	1	1	4	1	3
Fort-de-France Sud	1	1	2	2	6
François	3	2	5 6	2 4	6 7
Georgetown Georgetown Central	1	1	4	4	0
Grande Terre PDC	1	1	2	0	4
Grenada	4	2	4	5	8
Grenada East	3	2	5	4	1
Gros Islet	4	2	7	6	5
Kourou	1	1	4	1	2
Lamentin Liamuiga (Saint Kitts)	3	2	4 6	3	4
Maracas/St. Joseph	4	2	4	4	8
Maraval	1	1	6	0	1
Marie-Galante	1	2	2	2	0
Montserrat	2	2	6	2	3
New Amsterdam	3	2	6	2	5
Paramaribo	4	2	5	5	6
Paramaribo Central Paramaribo Residence	4	2 2	4	5 4	4 5
Penal	1	2	3	4	0
Piarco	1	1	7	3	2
Pointe-A-Pierre	3	2	5	2	7
Pointe-à-Pitre	1	1	3	3	5
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Port of Spain	3	2	5	1	4
Port of Spain West	1	1	4	2	2
Portsmouth	0	0	3	2	2
Princes Town	4	2	4	5	6
Remire Montjoly	4	2	5	5	5
St-Laurent du Maroni- Mana	2	2	5	0	0
Saint Pierre	0	1	3	0	1
San Fernando	1	2	3	0	0
San Fernando-South	4	2	6	6	6
Sangre Grande	0	1	3	0	0
San Juan	3	2	5	0	4
Schoelcher	3	2	3	5	4
Southwest-Tobago	0 3	1	3	0 2	1
Stabroek-Georgetown St. Augustine	2	2	6 3	3	5 5
St. Augustine West	3	2	5	3	4
St. Kitts	3	2	6	3	4
St. Lucia	4	2	6	4	4
St. Vincent	2	2	4	0	2
St. Vincent South	2	2	5	1	1
Tobago	1	1	5	0	0

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others - Mahatma Gandhi

# **OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES**



Past President **Prakash Bhaggan** from Rotary Club of Central Port of Spain.

Wishing the family peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in their hearts.



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#### GRANTS

#### Here are some reminders and updates about Rotary grants:

#### Community assessments

Starting 1 July, clubs or districts that apply for a global grant to support a humanitarian project or a vocational training team will need to conduct a community assessment first and include the <u>results</u> in their grant application. Community assessments are the key to successful projects. They can help you find the most relevant opportunities for projects and maximize your impact. Make sure that Rotarians who are **planning global grant projects know about this requirement and its benefits. Clubs can review Rotary's** <u>Community Assessment Tools</u> to learn about proven, inexpensive methods for evaluating a community's assets and needs. These methods include community meetings, surveys, interviews, and focus groups.

#### Scholarship application due date - 30 June

Global grant applications for scholars who will begin studies in August, September, or October need to be submitted by 30 June.

#### Convention breakout sessions

We'll have two grant-related breakout sessions during the Rotary International Convention in Toronto, Ontario, Canada: Global Grants 101 and How to Conduct a Community Assessment. I'll speak and answer questions at Global Grants 101, and expert panelists will attend both sessions. Please encourage interested Rotarians in your district to attend.

#### Staff support for grants

Lastly, I want to remind you about one of the best resources for grant applicants — the <u>Rotary Grants staff</u>. Grants staff members, with their professional expertise, are poised to help applicants make sure their projects are eligible for funding. Staff can conduct a preliminary application review or help sponsors redesign projects to meet Foundation requirements. To request a preliminary review, contact your grant officer or write to <u>grants@rotary.org</u>.

Thank you for your commitment to Rotary grants and all your work to support Rotarians who are Doing Good in the World.

Sincerely,

Abby McNear Rotary Grants Manager +1-847-425-5656 Rotary.org





#### Former First Lady Laura Bush to speak at Rotary convention



#### 2018 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION TORONTO, CANADA JUNE 23 - 27



Former First Lady of the United States Laura Bush, an advocate for literacy,

education, and women's rights, will speak at the 2018 Rotary Convention in Toronto this June. For decades Mrs. Bush has fought for key national and global issues including launching groundbreaking education and healthcare programs in the U.S. and abroad.

She founded both the Texas Book Festival and the National Book Festival in Washington D.C. As chair of the **Women's Initiative at the George W. Bush Institute.** 

Mrs. Bush continues her work on global healthcare innovations, empowering women in emerging democracies, education reform, and supporting men and women who have served in the U.S. military.

Women's healthcare also has been a central issue for Mrs. Bush. Because heart disease is the leading cause of death among American women, she partnered with the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute to launch The Heart Truth campaign and Red Dress project. The Heart Truth raises awareness among women about their risk for heart disease.

Mrs. Bush is the author of the bestselling memoir, *Spoken From the Heart*, and bestselling children's book, *Our Great Big Backyard*. She serves on several boards including the National Advisory Board for the Salvation Army, the Council for the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, the Board of Trustees for the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the Southern Methodist University Board of Trustees.

































Day two.. Opening Ceremony in Cathedral – Basilica





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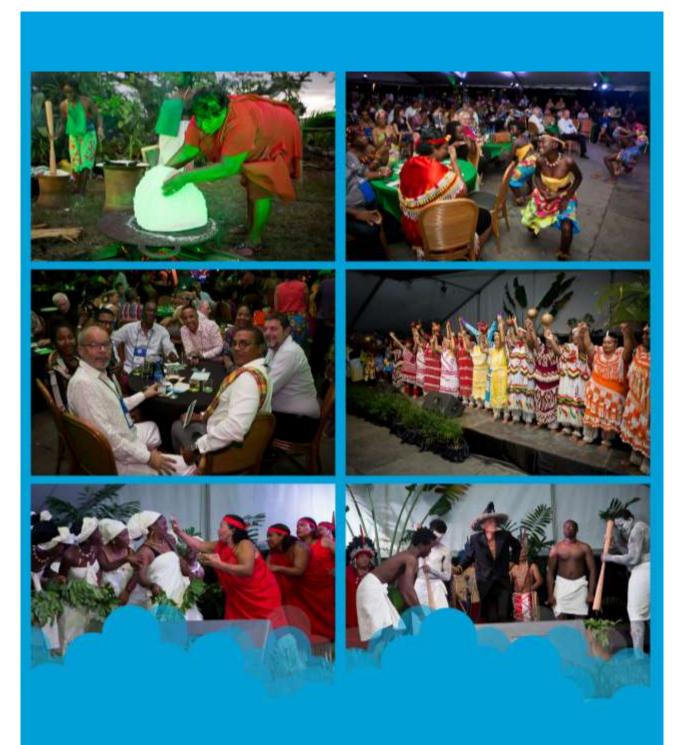






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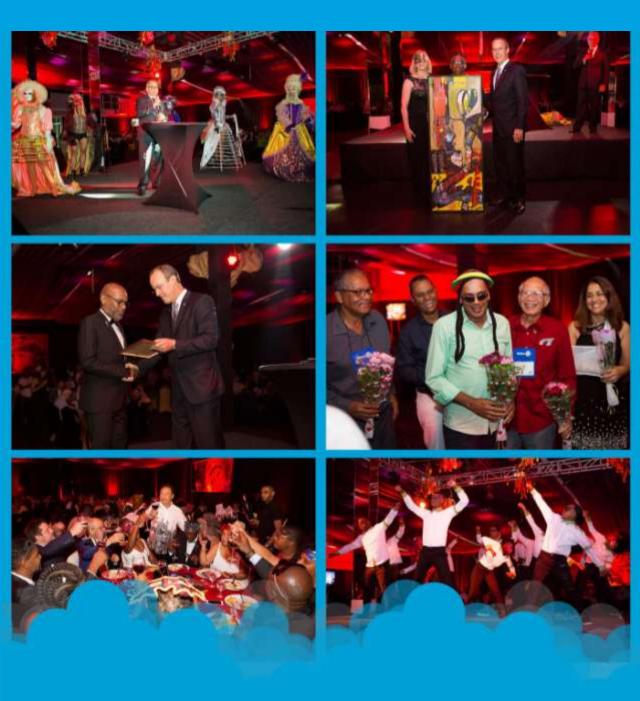
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#### PLEASE NOTE: VIDEO CONTEST DEADLINE IS EXTENDED TO MAY 30TH

#### Theme: How YOUR Rotary/Rotaract Club members became 'PEOPLE OF ACTION' in 2017-18

#### OVERVIEW:

Create a maximum 2 minutes video about the implementation in your club, showing how your members became "People of Action" in 2017-18. ENTRY DEADLINE: May 12th 2018. Contact your RPIC and a link will be sent to upload your entry to Dropbox

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JUDGING: Voting will be online on our Facebook page for Popular Choice Award and by judges for Judges Choice Award. See details in Bales document. WINNERS:

WINNERS: 101/201/37d in each category, Chili, Rotaract and Internet. To be announced on the Zone website & regentary story, org.

PRIZES: All participants will receive a Certificate. Club & Rotaract sciences will be featured in the Zone Newdotter and Website and on mycotarystory org.

> Please read the Rules and Tips section!

Read about the theme on rotary.org

#### ZONE 34 PUBLIC IMAGE CAMPAIGN CLUB VIDEO CONTEST

THEME: HOW YOUR CLUB BECAME 'PEOPLE OF ACTION' IN 2017-18 DURATION: MAXIMUM 2 MINUTES

#### Rotary PEOPLE OF ACTION

Create a maximum 2 minutes video following the 2017-18 theme:

Deadline MAY 15th 2018. Inform your RPIC Zone 34 that you are entering and a Dropbox link will be sent to you for uploading your video.

#### JUDGING:

Voting will be online for the **People's Choice** video (most popular). **Deadline for online votes is May 31, 2018. Judges' Choice.** The judging team will also select a winning entry, based on content, creativity and the relevance to the theme

#### PRIZES:

Winning Clubs 'People's Choice' or 'Judges' Choice', will receive Certificates and their videos will be featured on the Zone website, Facebook page, You Tube and on myrotarystory.org





Clubs should to do this as an in-house effort, not hire out to video professionals.We encourage clubs to try to get local airtime as PSAs to get the message out to the general public and to add the video to Facebook/website.

#### TIPS:

 We are not looking for the next Oscar winner! Clubs can put together a simple entry from video (camera/ tablet/phone videos) and/or stills, using the free pre-loaded software available on all computers, e.g.:
WINDOWS: Moviemaker:

(http://windows.microsoft.com/en-us/windows-live/movie-maker)

MAC: iMovie: (https://www.apple.com/mac/imovie/) computers.

 Videos must be relevant to the theme.
Although we do not wish Clubs to use a professional to create the video, we do suggest that they approach local experts to advise them. Media contacts are always useful!

#### FOR INSPIRATION!

 Take a look at the videos for download on rotary.org to get some ideas and visit the Brand Center for new tools, templates and guidelines about People of Action.





Contact for Entries: ZONE 34: RPIC Sheila Bethel z34rpic@gmail.com OR ARPICs: Marshall Butler D6940, 6950, 6970, 6980 - mbutler@rotary6970.org Carol Colon D6500, 5910, 6920 carolmcoler@gmail.com Susan Courter D6890, 6930, 6960 susan.courter@gmail.com





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