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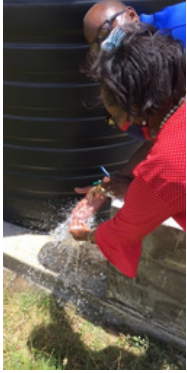
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IN THE DISTRICT: PROJECTS

Here's how some Clubs have been Serving to Change lives!

RC BARBADOS

Sustainable Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Education Solutions For Rural Schools in Barbados
Water & Sanitation



This USD \$62,500 initiative equipped six schools in five rural parishes with 12 water tanks and associated equipment to secure access to safe and adequate supply of drinking water and the maintenance of sanitation and hygiene standards. These schools, which also serve as emergency shelters, close when there is only non-potable water available due to water outages. The project in memory of Chuck Howey showcases a partnership between the Rotary Club of Barbados, Rotary District 6960 (Florida), Rotary District 7030 (Southern Caribbean and South America), Rotary Foundation and the Education Technical Management Unit of the Ministry of Education Technological and Vocational Training.

To see more, [click HERE](#)



Miami Marathon
Disease Prevention and Treatment

"Rotary Suriname Runs for Charity" is an event supported by the 4 Rotary Clubs in Suriname. 27 Rotarians and PIS will participate in the Miami Marathon on February 6th, and will run 21km and some will run 42km!

They are fundraising for 3 charities: Child Health (Betheljada: an organization for children with multiple disabilities), Basic Education (Kennedy Stichting: an organization for deaf and hearing impaired children), and Environment (Suresur: a non-profit recycling organization). Follow "Rotary Runs for Charity" on Facebook and meet the runners. We wish them the best of luck!

RC SURINAME



RC ST. AUGUSTINE WEST

Pandemic Hamper Relief Distribution Project
Economic & Community Development



In light of the economic challenges still being experienced by families during the pandemic, The Rotary Club of St. Augustine West distributed relief hampers in December 2021. A total of forty six (46) families were the beneficiaries of this project; some of whom were identified through community organisations such as Heaven Touching Earth International Ministries, GROOTS T&T and Pillars of Truth Ministries.



Family Walk for childhood obesity prevention
Childhood Obesity / Maternal & Child Health

RC PARAMARIBO CENTRAL



In January 2022, Rotary Club Paramaribo Central, RCPC, organized a family walk for childhood obesity prevention. As a part of the Rotary COP Program to promote awareness of the determinants and consequences of childhood obesity in the Caribbean and showcase actions that can be taken by members to combat this pressing issue. A number of approximately sixty fellows of all the Rotary clubs in Suriname joined the walk with their family members. To see more of this event, [click HERE](#).

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RC BARBADOS

Photovoltaic System to Special Needs School
Supporting the Environment



On January 4th, 2022, the Club handed over the 5kW Photovoltaic System to The School House for Special Needs. The project valued at \$25,190.65 was donated and installed by Solar Watt Systems Inc as a gift to the school. At the project launch ceremony, DG Sonya Alleyne noted that the key objective is to eliminate the school's monthly electricity bill while supporting the environment, one of Rotary International Causes. She underscored the role the project will play in reducing the island's fossil fuel carbon footprint. She noted 'the project will definitely not only form a perspective of The Schoolhouse but it helps our own environment here in Barbados as we move towards a carbon footprint-free 2030,' DG Sonya stated, "The savings that this schoolhouse will garner will be tremendous, and over its life, not this year but in the years to come."

President of Rotary Club of Barbados Robin Ford remarked "This 5kW PV system will not only provide clean energy to the school but by so doing, reduce the amount of fossil fuel required to be imported into the island and hence reduce our need for foreign exchange spend by our country." He also noted that support for the schoolhouse is an ongoing initiative of the Rotary Club of Barbados. President Robin thanked Solar Watt for their kind donation to The SchoolHouse and for assisting the club in achieving one of its clean energy goals. He stated, "We empower communities to access grants and other resources, embrace local solutions and spur innovation in an effort to address the causes and reduce the effects of climate change and environmental degradation."



IN THE DISTRICT: MILESTONES

RC TOBAGO



ROTARY CLUB OF TOBAGO CELEBRATES 53 YEARS

The Rotary Club of Tobago celebrated 53 years of service on Sunday 9th January, 2022. The members commemorated the anniversary with a weekend of fellowship at the Villa Clusters of Tobago Plantation. They also hosted an open house where several potential Rotarians joined the celebrations and learned about the Club. It was concluded by a brunch, attended by ADG Julien Skeete. Celebrating the club's charter anniversary provided the appropriate occasion to reflect on our ultimate role as Rotarians on the island and charge us to continue the Rotary year serving our community, and by extension our district, with pride and compassion.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY: The newly formed Rotary Club of Tobago held its charter night at the Mt. Irvine Bay Hotel on Thursday 9th January, 1969. In attendance were delegations from the Rotary Clubs of Port-of-Spain, St. Augustine, San Fernando, Grenada and Barbados. Chief Justice Sir Arthur Mc Shine delivered the feature address. Mr. Frank Misir, Caribbean Advisor from San Fernando, presented the charter to Mr. John Dehollain, the first President of the Rotary Club of Tobago, and welcomed twenty-nine (29) Tobago Rotarians into Rotary's global fellowship of more than 641,000 business and professional men who belonged to 13,489 Rotary Clubs in 145 countries.



IN THE DISTRICT: MEMBERSHIP

RC CURAÇAO

At the annual Christmas dinner of the Rotary Club of Curaçao (RCC), Mr. Pierrot Hurtado, president of RCC installed Mrs. Rosemarie de Paula as Honorary Member of the RCC. Rosemarie was the first lady member of RCC, and now its first ever lady Honorary Member. For 32 years, Rosemarie has been a stalwart member, working on several projects, fundraisings including the Feria Rotarias, and serve on the club's board in the years 1993-1994. Rosemarie was director of the Curaçao Public Library from 1968-1997 and she served as deputy Governor of the Netherlands Antilles from 1990-2002. Educated at MIL, she studied and worked as a librarian for several years in The Netherlands and worked for many years as a librarian for the youth here and for the St. Elisabeth Hospital. She has served on the boards of many foundations including the Roman Catholic School Board, Mongui Maduro, the Friends of the Bolivian Museum, the



Association of Caribbean Universities and Research Libraries, and the Fundashon de Leksikografia. Rosemarie is an Officer in the Order of "Oranje Nassau". **Rosemarie de Paula, first lady member of RCC, and now its first ever lady Honorary!**

FLASHBACK FEBRUARY: CLOSING OFF 2021

Here's how some Clubs served their communities in the last Quarter of 2021!



RC GEORGETOWN CENTRAL

- Distribution of 350 food hampers across 5 housing areas from Georgetown to Berbice.
- Care packages delivered to 3 Senior Citizen Homes, single pregnant mothers and patients of the Georgetown Public Hospital Dialysis Centre.



RC PRINCES TOWN

- Christmas Treat at Tableland Recreation Ground where 20 food hampers were distributed to families in need. Over 100 children each received a Christmas gifts & a snack bag from Santa.
- Pre-recorded Christmas concert at St. Stephen's College due to the Covid-19 pandemic and was aired on local TV.

RC & RCT CLUBS - BARBADOS

Rotary and Rotaract Clubs in Barbados joined forces to celebrate World Polio Day with several activities on the weekend of October 22nd to 25th, 2021:

- 1) A joint press release outlining the work of Rotary relating to the history of polio globally and Barbados, fight to eradicate this disease, support for the science of vaccinations as well as the assistance provided by Rotarians in the community.
- 2) Radio and television appearances by various Rotarians to promote the work of Rotary in Polio eradication through vaccinations and to encourage Barbadians to get vaccinated.
- 3) Social Media Campaign – all clubs posted World Polio Day materials on their various social media pages. Rotarians were encouraged to share through their own personal platforms.
- 4) Partnered with The National Immunization Unit on a Covid19 Vaccination drive about 200 persons were vaccinated.
- 5) A Joint virtual meeting was held on the evening of World Polio Day to view the World Polio Day Event together. Live messages were delivered by District Governor Sonya Alleyne, President Robin Ford – Rotary Club of Barbados, President Rene Butcher – Rotary Club of Barbados -West, President George Connolly – Rotary Club of Barbados-South and District Rotaract Representative Mario Boyce - Barbados Rotaract Clubs. Their messages covered the history of polio, rotary's successes to date in eradicating polio as well as a call to continue raising funds to #endpolionow.

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL 2022-2023 THEME

The 2022-2023 Rotary Theme has been announced and is imbued with powerful and deep meaning on several levels. Needless to say, we are looking forward to the new year!

Imagine Rotary - the theme for 2022-2023 - explained by incoming President Jennifer Jones :

The theme graphic was designed by an Australian indigenous artist to link with the Melbourne convention in 2023.

CIRCLE

Signifies connections to one another

DOTS AROUND CIRCLE

Our People. There are 7 Dots because of Rotary's 7 Areas of Focus

CIRCLE + DOTS AROUND IT

Navigation star, our guiding light

GREEN SOLID LINE

Digging stick (used when doing hard work); for us it's People of Action, represents the tools for getting things done

COLORS:

Purple, Green & White collectively celebrates DEI - Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and gives us the freedom to express ourselves differently but still with a special connection. Represents Empowerment and Newness and also the colours were utilized for the women's movement giving us the opportunity to grow our female membership.

Purple: Polio

Green: the Environment

White: Peace

RI President-elect Jennifer Jones imagines a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and they make the most of their club experiences. She urges members to engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world.



LOOKING GOOD (FOR 117)!

Rotary started with the vision of one man — Paul Harris. The Chicago attorney formed the Rotary Club of Chicago on 23 February 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.

Perhaps to commemorate Rotary's Birthday, consider joining a Facebook Group!



To check out some of the more popular Groups, Click Here.

- [Rotary District 7030: Club Service Projects Group](#)
- [District 7030 Interact](#)
- [Rotary District 7030: ChildHood Obesity Prevention Group](#)
- [Rotary District 7030: PeaceBuilding Program Group](#)
- [Rotary District 7030: Environmental Sustainability Program Group](#)
- [Rotary District 7030: Events & Activities Group](#)
- [Rotary District 7030: Membership Recruitment and Retention Group](#)

PEACE & ROTARY

February is Peace & Conflict Resolution Month. Taken from RI, read on to learn Consider completing the [Positive Peace Course offered by the IEP](#) and read on to start (or continue!) your lesson on how conflict and peace have played a role in shaping Rotary and vice versa. [For full text and information, click HERE.](#)

WWI & the Objects of Rotary

After WWI in 1921, delegates at the RI Convention in Edinburgh amended the association's constitution to include the goal "to aid in the advancement of international peace and goodwill through a fellowship of business and professional men of all nations united in the Rotary ideal of service." Delegates to the 1922 convention made sweeping changes to the Rotary International and club constitutions. Separate objectives for each were replaced with the Objects of Rotary (now called the Object of Rotary). The new approach, however, retained the vision for peace.

Rotary & WWII

During World War II, Rotary members looked for ways to create a stable and peaceful world. In 1940, convention delegates adopted a statement, Rotary Amid World Conflict, which emphasized that "where freedom, justice, truth, sanctity of the pledged word, and respect for human rights do not exist, Rotary cannot live nor its ideal prevail." The Rotarian magazine ran essays by authors, politicians, and other well-known figures that encouraged discussion on the topic of peace.

Rotary & the UN

Rotary was present at the start of the United Nations in 1945. Rotary International was one of 42 organizations invited to serve as consultants to the U.S. delegation to the United Nations Conference on International Organization in San Francisco, California, USA (commonly called the UN charter conference). Additionally, many Rotary members and honorary members from around the world attended the conference as members of and consultants to their nations' delegations.

Rotary and the United Nations remain committed to creating lasting change that enhances international relationships, improves lives and communities, and creates a more peaceful world.

Today, Rotary International holds the highest consultative status offered to a nongovernmental organization by the UN's Economic and Social Council (UNESCO). The Rotary Representative Network, established in 1991, maintains and furthers this relationship with several UN bodies, programs, commissions, and agencies.

Rotary's goal today is to create environments where peace can be built and maintained through sustainable and measurable activities in communities worldwide. Peacebuilding remains a cornerstone of our mission as a humanitarian service organization.

UPCOMING EVENTS



Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

February 4th, 5th & 6th 2022 for Interactors

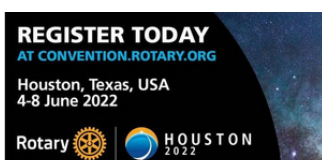
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Rotary District 7030: P.E.T.S. & Conference 2022 Barbados

April 7 - 9

[Event Website](#)



Rotary International Convention, Houston

June 4 - 8

[Event Website](#)

CLUB CHARTER ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY 02

RC Maracas/St. Joseph (29 years old)

FEBRUARY 10

RC Liamuiga (19 years old)

FEBRUARY 23

RC St. Augustine West (37 years old)

FEBRUARY 23

RC Port of Spain West (46 years old)

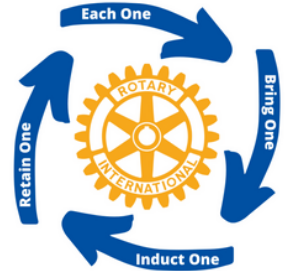
ZONE MEMBERSHIP CONTEST 2021-2022

What is it? The Rotary Clubs in each District will compete with other clubs their size to win the Zone Membership Award. Each club will earn points (see scorecard on District Page) for the activities that will result in an increase in NEW MEMBERS, and an increase in the RETENTION of their current members.

How does it work? Each club in each district will be categorized by their size:

Club size categories (measured on 7/1/21):

- Small club: up to 29 members
- Medium club: 30-59 members
- Large club: 60-89 members
- Extra large club: 90+ members



- Keep track of your club's progress on the Zone Membership Scorecard from February 1 to July 1, 2022.
- The three clubs with the highest point totals in each size category will receive the Zone Membership Award. (12 winners/district)

Award levels are Platinum (#1), Gold (#2), Silver (#3)

- NOTE: To win your club must have increased in size from 7/1/21 to 7/1/22.
- Club Membership Chairs: Email your completed scoresheet to your District Membership Chair by 7/10/22.

ROTARACT APPOINTMENTS & ACTIVITIES

Nearing the end of IPDG Lisle's year in office, he reached out to the then District Rotaract Chair (DRC) Giselle Holder to connect her with the Rotary Coordinator for Zone 34, Mr. Mike Darragh, who was very interested in how Rotaract is done in our District. Over the past 6 months, now ably supported by our District Governor (DG) Sonya Alleyne, this introduction has been developed into various significant actions and appointments that showcase our RD 7030 Rotaract and Rotary family, which are highlighted below as follows:

• The creation of the first ever Zone 34 Rotaract Committee that comprises 14 Rotarians and Rotaractors from across four (4) Districts (6900, 6970, 7020 and 7030) which have strong Rotaract Clubs within our Zone. The focus of this committee is on identifying the ways in which we can grow Rotaract in those Districts where it is near non-existent and add value to the Rotaract experience in those which have Rotaract Clubs through six (6) areas: Training, Development of New Rotaract Clubs, Communications, Disaster Preparedness, Service Projects and Cultural Exchange.

• In our Zone 34 Rotaract Committee, RD 7030 is well represented by: District Rotaract Representative Elect (DRRE), Justin Seheult (Rotaract Club of Port of Spain West, Trinidad and Tobago) who serves on multiple committees including Training and Cultural Exchange, 2022 Rotaract District Conference Chairperson, Kareem French (Rotaract Club of Barbados, Barbados) who leads the Service Projects committee, District Rotaract Chair (DRC), Giselle Holder (Rotary Club of Maraval, Trinidad and Tobago) who serves as co-chair of the Z34 Rotaract Committee and leads the Training arm.

• The invitation and joining of the Multi-District Informational Organization (MDIO) called Ascension MDIO that will see our Rotaractors be part of a multi-district committee within Zone 34 that focuses on sharing information across districts to promote and improve the Rotaract experience. DRR Mario Boyce, was instrumental in spearheading this effort and sits on the board of this MDIO as RD7030's representative. The further appointment of DRRE Justin Seheult as a member of the planning committee for the Zone 33/34 Summit which will be held in Baltimore in September 2022. DRRE Justin will serve on the Arrangements Committee.

• The appointment of DRC Giselle Holder as Assistant Rotary Coordinator (ARC) for 2021-2024. ARC Giselle has been added to the team to have special focus on the Rotaractors throughout Zone 34 by assisting Rotary Clubs in the ways in which they can better support Rotaractors and supporting Rotaract Clubs in their journey as new members of Rotary.

