

THE DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



ROTARY DISTRICT 7030. ZONE 34

June 2020

RI President Mark Maloney's Monthly Message



Increasing our ability to adapt: That is one goal of our new Rotary Action Plan. And wow, have we seen that ability put to the test this year.

My Rotary journey began 40 years ago when I joined the Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama, at the age of 25, and it has brought my family and me many unforgettable moments. But nothing could have prepared me for connecting with the world as president of Rotary International. My individual Rotary journey has become a shared Rotary journey with each of you.

All of the incredible people Gay and I met this year — Rotarians, Rotaractors, and the extended family of Rotary — will be an inspiration for the rest of our lives. We visited clubs and projects from Uruguay to Ukraine, from Nigeria to New Zealand, and beyond. We were privileged to crisscross the globe, circumnavigating it twice and moving back and forth between the Northern and Southern hemispheres. Each country and each stop held its own Rotary magic. While in Zimbabwe in March, we participated in a medical vocational training team mission with Rotarians from India, providing health, hope, and life itself to the thousands who came for treatment. We also felt the energy of more than 300 young people at a Rotary Youth Symposium in Harare. What a thrill it was to be with these young people!

This year Rotary launched our new Action Plan, and I trust each club is putting that plan to use. And I have been energized by the efforts to embrace the priorities I set for this Rotary year: engaging families, providing leadership opportunities for all ages, celebrating our history with the United Nations in its 75th year, and, most significantly, growing Rotary.

As COVID-19 reached around the globe, we found ourselves in a world transformed. We have been forced to connect in ways we could never have imagined, testing our ability to adapt. We have made tough decisions, including cancelling club meetings, district conferences, presidential conferences, and, much to our regret, the 2020 Rotary International Convention in Honolulu. Together everyone is placing the public good and welfare first, despite the loss of meetings, events, and experiences that had been planned for years.

As we looked forward to the Rotary Convention in Honolulu, we learned about the aloha spirit. Our Rotary friends in Hawaii showed us that "aloha" means mutual regard and affection. It extends warmth and caring with no expectation of anything in return. The spirit of aloha applies wherever in the world we may live. As Rotarians, Rotaractors, and members of the family of Rotary, we are connected, and as aloha has been defined to me: Our connection to one another is based upon mutual respect for our differences as well as our appreciation for what we have in common. Community is the sum of individuals — individuals who have concern for one another, who care, share, and take responsibility.

As I have witnessed the members of the Rotary community act to care for humanity amid the coronavirus pandemic, I have seen the aloha of Rotary. We are indeed people of action. Every day, but particularly during this pandemic, the Rotary community has demonstrated its aloha spirit. It is a gift to be shared, and we are each a steward of this gift of Rotary. Gay and I have been amazed, inspired, and humbled by all of you within the family of Rotary.

Indeed, I would say that the last part of our shared Rotary year was transformational. We found new ways to make the lives of others better, new ways to move forward together. And, together, we will continue to grow Rotary so that we may increase our gift of Rotary to our local and global communities.

Gay and I will always remember and treasure our year with you, our shared journey, as Rotary Connects the World!

June 2020

Mark Daniel MALONEY, President, Rotary International

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

Rotary Fellowships are international, independently organized groups of Rotarians, family members of Rotarians, and program participants and alumni who share a common hobby, recreational interest, or profession. Rotary Fellowships give their members the opportunity to have fun, make new friends around the world, and enhance their experience in Rotary. These include **Recreational Activities, Hobbies, Sports, Vocations, Rotary History & Culture**.

Many fellowships also use their special interests to serve others. Join a Fellowship by contacting a group that interests you. There are **91 Rotary Fellowships** are now officially registered with Rotary International. The full list of Fellowships can be found online: www.rotary.org/fellowships

Starting a New Fellowship

If your recreational or vocational interest isn't represented by Rotary's current Fellowships:

- Join a discussion group or start a new one on My Rotary. It's a great way to share your interest with other members.
- Use Rotary's presence on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn to promote your idea.
- Attend the Rotary International Convention or other Rotary events to network and find others that share your interest.

Read this interesting blog by Lisa Cook to learn more about why you should join a Rotary Fellowship group.

<https://rotaryserviceblog.org/2020/06/01/why-join-a-rotary-fellowship/>

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Fellow Rotarians

It is an oft repeated criticism of leaders, in politics and in enterprise, that, not knowing when to step down, that they invariably overstay their welcome. Not so in Rotary. Rotary makes it easy for its leaders at every level – club, district and international. There is no debate; no wavering; no decision to make. On 1 July each year, all changes. So, in a few days, my term as Governor of this amazing District ends, and the mantle of leadership passes to DGE Lisle.

It seems like it was just a few short months ago that IPDG Dominique ceremoniously invested me with insignia of the office of Governor. I noted then that the year would be exciting and challenging as clubs strive to achieve the goals I had set. Little did I know then just how challenging it would actually become.

The year started well, and in the first eight months I was able to travel to 16 of the 17 countries and territories of the District and meet with Rotarians from 67 of the 72 clubs. This was an epic experience; although I had previously visited all but two (Bonaire and Martinique) of these jurisdictions, these club visits were special. Nothing prepared me for the experience of seeing from this particular vantage point, the really amazing work being done by Rotarians across the District, making significantly meaningful impacts on the lives of people in their communities. This was truly inspiring!

By the end of February, the novel coronavirus Covid-19 had started its spread through the region and, as we know, was subsequently declared pandemic. This not only scuttled my visit to French Guiana but led to the cancellation of our District Conference and PETS that were scheduled to be held in St Kitts in April, and the suspension of physical meetings and activities. However, this did not stop Rotary. I am pleased with the response of the majority of clubs in the District in connecting through virtual meetings to keep their members engaged. I was particularly impressed by the ingenuity of the Training Committee in arranging fully on-line training seminars, and with the leadership of DGE Lisle in organizing a comprehensive PETS program to ensure that incoming club leaders were properly trained in preparation for their year in office. Following on these very successful online initiatives, the virtual business meeting was held on 13 June to fulfill the important official business of the District.

I note that some clubs are anxious to resume physical meeting and Rotarians are yearning for the type of fellowship that has characterized Rotary from its earliest beginnings. As we schedule installations and set our agendas for the new year, however, we must continue to keep the health and safety of Rotarians as paramount. Covid-19 is still pandemic, and RI's restrictions on mandatory in-person meetings still apply. While clubs may be guided by the regulations issued by their local health and other Governmental authorities, there should be no requirement for any Rotarian to attend any physical meeting. The continuation of virtual meetings is recommended so that no Rotarian is left out.

As I come to the end of my term as Governor, I look back with some satisfaction with what we in the District have collectively accomplished. In the context of Covid-19, we could not achieve all of our goals, some of which, while not overambitious, admittedly did require some effort. In general, the clubs performed rather well, given the prevailing circumstances. Some were outstanding, some were marginal, while other fell somewhat short. But overall, I think that we have had a good year. Congratulations to all who contributed.

I say thanks to all you assisted me in my service to the District. Thanks to the entire Leadership Team – to those who headed committees and played other meaningful roles. I thank the AGs for so effectively representing me in their respective areas and for organizing my visits to the clubs. I thank the club presidents and their teams for so graciously hosting me and for all of the very thoughtful gifts that I received. Thanks to PDG David for his sage advice and guidance, and to IPDG Dominique for her support. Thanks, as well, to all of the Governors past and future, for their support and assistance. I thank you all!

I now pass the baton on to DGE Lisle, who takes the helm at a time of great uncertainty and adversity. However, according to leadership guru, Ken Gosnell, "it is during these difficult times that real leaders emerge forged by the fire and battle-ready to meet the future ahead." I am assured that DGE Lisle has prepared himself well and is battle-ready, eager to exploit all of the opportunities that will be opened in the ensuing year for the betterment of the District. I wish him every success and pledge my full support during his tenure.

To all I say, thank you and goodbye/merci et au revoir/dank je en tot ziens!

June 2020
DG Trevor Blake, 7030



John Hewko
CEO
Rotary International

Mark Maloney
2019-2020 President
Rotary International

#RotaryResponds
LIVE

Join a new weekly Facebook Live series to create connections and take part in engaging conversations. The **#RotaryResponds** Live series features Rotary leaders and members, and leaders from partner organizations sharing how they're taking action in their communities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Starting 20 May 2020 – 1 July 2020

Visit the link below to learn more

<https://www.facebook.com/events/247449286465682/>

The Zone Committee extended the deadline to June 30th for both the Video contest and the Z34 PI Citation

30 June — **Rotary Citation** for Rotary Clubs Award nominations are due

District 7030 Activities

June 2020

- June 9 – PETS 2020 Training Sessions ended
- June 10 – Navigating Global Grants Applications Successfully Training Session held
- June 13 – District Business Meeting held

NOW MORE THAN EVER,
ROTARY CONNECTS THE WORLD:
THE 2020 ROTARY VIRTUAL CONVENTION
20-26 June 2020

1st Virtual Business Meeting Held on 13 June 2020

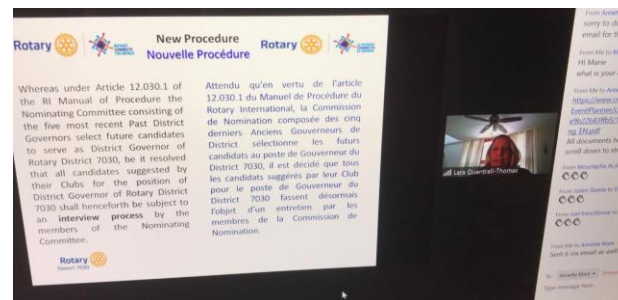
The business of District 7030 was not deterred by Covid 19.

On Saturday 13 June 2020 District 7030 under the astute leadership of DG Trevor Blake hosted a business meeting via zoom with over 200 Rotarians in attendance. At the meeting, which was ably chaired by DGN Sonya Alleyne, our special guest, was Rotary International President's representative PDG William Duane Benton who addressed the District and brought greetings on behalf of RI President Mark Maloney.

DG Trevor presented the Governor's Report for 2019-2020, highlighting the achievements of the District during the Rotary Year. He also thanked his leadership team for their commitment and support in carrying out the work of Rotary within the District.

DGE Lisle Chase presented the Revised District Strategic Plan, PDG Lara Quentrall-Thomas introduced the enhanced District Governor nomination process, and DG Trevor presented the proposed revisions to the District's Manual of Procedure. IPDG Dominique Venere presented the Financial Statements for 2018 – 2019, and also presented the nomination of PAG Leslie Ramdhanny of the Rotary Club of Grenada East, as District Governor for 2022-2023.

Club leaders voted online on resolutions to adopt the revised District Strategic Plan, District Manual of Procedure and District Governor nomination procedures, and to ratify the nomination of DGND Leslie.



Reports from District 7030 Chairs 2019-2020

District Rotary Foundation Chair Report ~ PDG Milton Inness

As at 8 June 2020:

1. District Grants

Six (6) District Grants were awarded this year totaling US\$53,720

2. Global Grants

There are currently 15 active Global Grants with a total value of \$2.97 million, of which 4 were approved in this Rotary year. There are 2 outstanding reports due for the active Global Grants. There are 10 Global Grants at draft stage, of which 5 were started in this Rotary year.

3. Peace Fellows

We are in the process of interviewing 2 prospective candidates.

4. Annual Giving

- Donations to the PolioPlus Fund as of 8th June 2020 amount to US\$35,477 representing 84% of the goal. There are 46 non-giving Clubs to the fund.
- Donations to the Annual Fund as of 8th June 2020 amount to US\$125,374 representing 74% of the goal. There are 23 non-giving Clubs to the fund.
- Donations to the Endowment Fund total US\$1,000.
- Total giving as of 8th June 2020 stands at US\$161,851.

5. Clubs with 100% EREY

There are 6 clubs that have qualified for 100% EREY, namely Aruba, New Amsterdam, Paramaribo, Paramaribo Residence, San Fernando & San Fernando South.

6. Rotarian Recognition

The total number of active members who have received recognition for contributions to the Rotary Foundation is as follows:-

- Paul Harris Fellows – 1,456
- Paul Harris Society – 38
- Benefactors – 16
- Major Donors – 26

District Training Committee Chair Report ~ PDG Hervé Honoré

The objective of the training committee was to:

- Understand the needs of the District - Survey
- Develop Standardized Approach/ easily replicated
- Strengthen knowledge base/informed & confident leaders
- Resource pool of Trainers /Club Trainer
- Conduct a few sessions

The survey results are summarised as follows:

- Response rate encouraging 89% (64/72 Clubs)
- Designated Club Trainer: 25 yes /36 no
- Existing Training Plans: 33 yes/23 no
- Interest in additional support: 53 yes/11 no
- Topics of Interest: Grants 42 /Membership 37/Club Central 29 & Fundraising 25
- Preferred medium: 55 F2F/54 Webinar style
- Preferred Time schedule : evenings/most clubs

The committee decided to conduct zoom training sessions in three priority areas:

- Membership by PDG David Edwards
- Fundraising by PDG Lara Quentrall Thomas
- Grants and Navigating Rotary Grants Successfully (Application Process) by PDG Milton Inness and PDG Roger Bose, respectively.

Based on the feedback received after each session the committee achieved its objectives. The following is a summary of the results from the feedback forms:

- Well Received/up to 166 participants/Time adequate
- Great Reviews on Facilitators/shared useful ideas
- Convenient/Cost Effective–Limited Interaction
- Good model /Regular sessions/ some F2F
- Fundraising & Membership key areas
- Grants & Application process /reduced fear factor

The Chair is grateful to the committee members and support team and thanks all of the participants who attended the sessions and provided feedback.

District Finance Committee Chair Report ~ PDG Roger Bose

The District 7030 is in its third year of participating in the new DG funding process started in 2017. As Chair of the Finance Committee, the following responsibilities expected as per RI guidelines and updates were executed.

- Submitted a Budget
- Recommended no change to the District Dues
- Set up District Bank Account at Scotia Bank, which was later acquired by Republic Bank.
- The District Treasurer monitored the finances
- The District Treasurer kept proper records
- The only effect on us was that the establishment of the Online banking facility was not completed. We have since received the documents to be completed and returned.

The following are currently in progress:

- Establishment of an Online banking facility.
- Preparation of the Annual Statement
- Prepare Annual Report related to DG's expenses report.
- Arrange an independent review of statement and report. Recommended organizations would be discussed and agreed upon by end of June 2020.
- Distribute annual report to RI and all Clubs in District thereafter. The norm in our District is to have this report submitted and adopted at our next District Conference.

Reports from District 7030 Chairs 2019-2020 cont'd

District Public Image Chair Report ~ PDG Lara Quentrall-Thomas

Over the period July 1st 2019 to 1st June 2020, the District PI team executed a number of initiatives, in line with the Rotary calendar and established goals.

FEATURES

We highlighted the work of a number of District leaders, including PDGs.

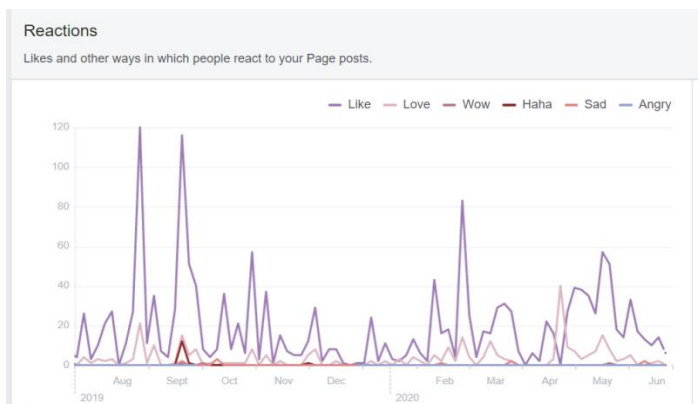
SOCIAL MEDIA

More than 200 photos and articles were posted to our Facebook page. Postings to the D7030 Facebook page had significant reach, and on occasion more than 2,000 persons viewed or liked a post. (Note – there were no paid ads).

The majority of persons LIKED or LOVED the articles and images we posted:

Social media highlights: -

- ✓ Covid-19 related projects done by clubs
- ✓ How Rotary and Rotaract clubs celebrated the birthday of Rotary
- ✓ Promotion of District Conference in St Kitts and virtual meetings during Covid
- ✓ Sharing Rotary branded images
- ✓ Public image citation for our Zone



Rotary International Convention Promotions Chair Report ~ PAG Kenneth Budhoo

Immediately upon my appointment I formed a Committee of four additional Rotarians chosen from across the TNT Clubs Diaspora. Promoting 'awareness' to Rotarians re the Conference was my first game plan, followed up by 'info'.... Hotels, Flight availability, Conference Registration details, meeting/session Itineraries etc.

Secretary to my committee, PP Maria Mohammed Maharaj used her Rotary initiatives and connection and was able to put in place arrangements with United Airlines to take us to Honolulu via a competitively priced and convenient route. This was greatly appreciated by Rotarians desirous of attending the Conference, and was not limited to TNT only. We were also putting in place Hawaii draped attire for attendees and at the upcoming virtual RI Conference later this month you will see some on display.

I attended meetings across the Trinidad Club spectrum and always promoted the Conference. On Social Media there was always some form of communication/information being dispensed. Rotary International personnel were always attentive to my enquiries and supplied me with regular up to date information. The latest information revealed that the registration goal of 60 was surpassed. Total registration as at 24 February 2020 was 141, of which 125 persons had paid.

District Disaster Chair Report ~ PDG Stephen Ramroop

Introduction

I must thank DG Trevor for having the confidence and faith in me to lead the District Disaster Team (DDT) this year. I had produced three documents for his term of office, the District Disaster Policy, the District Disaster Plan and the District Training Draft Manual. Early in July and August of 2019, attempts were made to commence the roll out of the policy and plan and develop the standard operating procedures (SOPs) for the plan. There were some challenges and successes that are summarized as follows:

Successes:

1. The Organizational Structure (OS) was developed and tested by the **creation of a District Wats App Disaster Coordinator Group.**
 - The DDG has 45 members and constitutes the Rotary Club Coordinators and Ex-Officio Members being the Governors.
 - The DDG chats on a daily basis and allowed easy communication during the Hurricane devastation in the Bahamas and Antigua, Barbuda etc.

The OS was effective as it allowed reduced confusion of communication amongst the DDG and this facilitated a better overall response and coordination. This resulted in a more coordinated response and less confusion as District Policy was transmitted, corrected and strengthened in real-time thus reducing chaos and discontent.

Reports from District 7030 Chairs 2019-2020 cont'd

District Disaster Chair Report (cont'd)

The OS also allowed better communication upwards e.g. in clubs, in a country and in the District and decisions taken at the Board level were easily conveyed, followed up, swayed and facilitated using the ICS system embedded in the DDG.

2. **Over \$130,000.00 USD (est.) was received by the Bahamas clubs** based on the Wire Transfer report submitted by the District Secretary (DS) in December 2019 (DS Leah, 2019).

3. **Training using the Draft District Disaster Training Workbook (DDDTW)** was done and 80% of the clubs in Trinidad and Tobago participated. Every club in Trinidad and Tobago sent representatives to the training and were given booklets.

4. **Oversight and Financial accountability, transparency and prudence** were very easily achieved since Bank transfer details were constantly being resent during the Humanitarian effort in the Recovery and Rehabilitation period. This District Coordination, although not perfect, worked much better than previous years because it allowed constant monitoring and evaluation by the District leaders and allowed discontent and uncertainty to be easily cleared up. This is a known benefit of using the Incident Command System in Emergency management.

5. **The DDG is essentially the Club Coordination** and has been strengthened and allows easy movement of ideas, training programs and decisions to other levels almost instantly and there was very good respect, tolerance, discussions, ethical sharing and conversations and extremely good social media etiquette in this Wats App chat group. There were no dropouts and over 80% of the members participated in ongoing plans, discussions and strategies during the entire Rotary Year.

Challenges:

1. The French Clubs were not easily swayed to join the Wats App group (DDG) possibly because of a number of factors e.g. Weak Push by French Governors, Assistant Governors, Language Barriers and Translation issues, etc. There are only 10% of the French Club Coordinators on the DDG. Almost 85% of all other District Clubs (English Speaking and ABC clubs) are in the chat at present.
2. District Disaster Training was not fully executed as Planned because of the Disasters in the Northern and Eastern Caribbean due to the Hurricanes and Storms in 2019 and Covid-19 in 2020.
3. Covid-19 caused a reduction in planning for the Hurricane Season of 2020.

Recommendations:

1. The District Leadership Team must ensure that the District Policy is Shared as a Draft for discussion and this involves the management of the entire program. Since Disaster Preparedness is a Pillar in the Districts Strategic Plan and one of the main risks in the District 7030, each successive Governor needs to strengthen the management system annually.
2. The OS has worked but there is need to educate all clubs and circulate the List of ALL Rotary Club Disaster Coordinators (RCDCs). This must be done by the AGs as they meet with the clubs in the District as an agenda item.
 - a. The Annual List of ALL RCDCs must be sent to the incoming Chair of Disaster Risk Reduction ANNUALLY before July 1st every year.
 - b. Each country must choose a National Disaster Coordinator where there are over TWO clubs in a country.
 - c. The District Disaster Chair must then set up TWO Wats APP groups (i) for ONLY RCDCs and (ii) ONE for ONLY NDCs.
 - d. The District Governors of EACH country must also work with the NDCs in their respective country.
 - e. The DGs are Ex-Officio to the DDC/NDC Wats App group.
3. The District Disaster Fund must be presented every year at the Conference.

Conclusion:

I wish to thank all the Governors and especially our District Governor, Trevor Blake for assignment of this task this year. I have placed the District 7030 on the stakeholder listing at CDEMA, the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency, an agency formed by all CARICOM countries. The District Chair and/or the DG will be invited to strategic and policy deliberations of the Caribbean and Latin America from July 2020.

The DDG worked well but not as efficiently and effectively as planned. However, it is a working system and should be strengthened as we go forward. Disasters can be prevented and mitigated so that the impact is lessened and the need for resources and humanitarian action is reduced. This is a scientific fact. District 7030 must lead the way and educate our Zones 33/34 that the RI strategic plan is very clear. We must increase our focus on high impact projects and adapt quickly to our global space. We must, in addition to raising funds and giving financial and other aid, structural and non-structural, tap into the wider resources for funds like that available from the EU, JICA, US OFDA, US State Department, AUS AID, UK AID, China and Japan and Canada. This amounts to Millions of USD for regional issues like, resiliency toolkits, safe schools and safe hospitals, safer cities, and climate change, sea level rise etc. etc.

As we move into DGE Lisle Chase's year, I thank everyone and continue to pledge my support.

Reports from District 7030 Chairs 2019-2020 cont'd

District Special Project - Diabetes Chair Report – PDG Tony Watkins

One of the two special projects that the District Governor is focussing on in this Rotary year is the Prevention and Management of Diabetes. In Rotary Year 2010-11, our District was involved in such a project and more than 40 clubs participated. Since the late 1960's we have witnessed a transition from a disease pattern dominated by infectious diseases to one in which chronic non-communicable diseases (NCDs) is out front. Diabetes is one of the leading NCDs. Other significant NCDs include cancer, heart disease and stroke but diabetes is much more prevalent.

Diabetes is best defined as a group of disorders characterised by reduced secretion/altered sensitivity to insulin with sustained elevation of blood glucose levels. Diabetes is associated with long term damage dysfunction and failure of organs, especially eyes, kidneys, blood vessels of the heart, brain, and limbs. The primary causes are dietary change and reduced activity.

Statistics show that here in the Caribbean the number of deaths attributable to diabetes continues to rise. In fact, the worst region in the world in percentage terms is North America and the Caribbean. All of the District 7030 countries have a comparative prevalence higher than the average for the world of 6.4% with several Caribbean countries almost double that.

So, what can you do as a Rotary Club? The objectives now are no different than the ones proposed in 2010-11.

- Increase public awareness in relation to diabetes by a PR and education campaign.
- Advocacy programme lobbying governments to pay more attention to diabetes prevention.
- Promotion of a diabetes footcare programme.

The President of Rotary Club of Central Port of Spain Anthony John-Baptiste reports that the Presidents of the Rotary Clubs North Cluster of Trinidad and Tobago have agreed to collaborate on a joint project on the Prevention and Management of Diabetes which would include an event for World Diabetes Day on November 14, 2019. He says that the project is in its formative stages, however, they have received the support from Ms. Zobida Ragbirsingh of the Trinidad and Tobago Diabetes Association to join with us to increase diabetes awareness in the primary schools, with a project called the Diabetes Education Awareness in Primary Schools (DEAPS). We also intend to collaborate with the Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) to educate and increase public awareness.

I am also aware that several clubs have had guest speakers speak on the topic of Diabetes. In my Club (Rotary Club of Barbados) the Hon. Krystal Boyce who herself has had Diabetes from an early age spoke to the Club.

In addition, there is a possible project that is to be started. See below but I have not had any further feedback on this. This is a multi-year project that DGE Lisle is working on. It is a project linking childhood obesity prevention to diabetes prevention.

District Rotary Foundation Fundraising Chair Report – DGND Leslie Ramdhanny

Letters were sent to Clubs through the AGs, requesting contributions to the Rotary Foundation and specifically to the Annual Fund of a minimum of \$100.00 per member. This was done during the significant months of recognition for the Rotary Foundation month and the Anniversary of Rotary month.

Clubs were encouraged to host fundraising events for the Rotary Foundation. The aim of these activities being to attempt to attain the goals posted for each Club to the Annual Fund. To date out of a goal amount of US\$168K, the Annual Fund received US\$124.5K or 73.76%. Hopefully, within the next few days the target might still be achieved.

Contributions to other funds approximately US\$33K.

District Interact Chair Report - PAG Luana Falconer

Overview

The 2019-20 District Interact Plan was developed under Four pillars:

1. Cultivating positive relationships between:
 - a. Interact and Rotary
 - b. Interact and Rotaract
 - c. Sponsor Clubs and Liaisons.
2. Conduct a Needs Assessment through a comprehensive health check using a standardized format to get a sense of the overall health of each club so that a training plan can be designed accordingly.
3. Training – Develop a training plan for Rotary and Non-Rotary programmes.
4. Cultivate future leaders – Through specific leadership programmes.

Achievements

1. The Health Check was completed and circulated to all the Sponsor Clubs to complete in collaboration with the Interact Club Board. However, only three clubs submitted the Health Check.
2. A listing was circulated to the AG's and Sponsor Clubs to get current data on each club. 21 clubs submitted full information, 9 submitted partial information and 30 clubs did not respond.
3. Worked along with the Rotary Club of Georgetown Central to resuscitate the Bishops High School Interact Club.
4. Conducted training at the St. Joseph High School Interact Club.
5. Did a motivational talk for the Interact Club of Queens College.
6. Had online meetings with the New Generations Committee from the Rotary Club of Montserrat.
7. Conducted training for the Interact Club of Montserrat.

Challenges

Most of the challenges faced related to the lack of support received from the AG's and sponsor clubs in response to (i) request for volunteers to join the Committee; and (ii) getting the Health Check and Club listing completed and submitted. The District Secretary would have sent out email requests on multiple occasions in this regard.

Rotaract Corner

Club Growth ~ Rotaract Club of San Fernando-South

Author Lailah Akita dictated beautifully, "The beauty of life is sharing life." It is a statement that resonated in the growth of the Rotaract Club of San Fernando-South in the 2019-2020 year.

Numerically, we are privileged to welcome fourteen new members to the Club, unique to our new 'friends', as we fondly refer to each other, is the age bracket, many of whom are in the new 18-20-year age bracket. While we are all young individuals, this new group offers fresh perspectives and their enthusiasm and willingness has been a catalyst for growth in our projects.

Our social media pages have a significant role to play in recruitment of members, in addition to member recommendations. Our social media pages have also grown as our posts are now receiving more likes and shares and has attracted the attention of many of our new Members. With more hands-on deck, the calibre of the Club and the Club Culture was also affected, 2019-2020 was a true reflection of the RI theme, 'Rotary Connects the World'.

Through an introduction of the various Committees, projects were being executed successfully, with special attention being made to the quality of our projects, trying to ensure that the District Theme of 'Excellence Through Quality' was evident. Projects were thoughtfully planned, but the key to our growth in success lies in the unique personalities of our Members, the beautiful intricacies that each Member offers. 2019-2020 was a year of fellowship for our Club, we became more connected and comfortable with one another which allowed ideas to be easily expressed. By working on our relationship with one another, this morphed into Club success. Our leadership skills and knowledge of the essence of RI grew and with this, members were equipped to take on any challenges.

While our numerical growth is a notable one, our growth in our relationships is a profound one for us, our year was filled with many laughs and smiles, moments of pure bliss, as we learned to appreciate one another and we not only shared moments, we shared life. Each Club will have its rocky moments, but 2019-2020 was a reminder of two things: Our Members are valuable and each one has special skills waiting to be unearthed and Rotary is a Family and always will be and what does family do? Family looks after one another and it is our inherent duty to serve mankind. We strengthened our internal relations, strengthened our knowledge and skill base, and strengthened our Club. Rotary is Family and Family is Sharing Life.

Our experience in this year of growth

For the board year 19 – 20 the Rotaract club of Curaçao wanted to grow in order to do more for the community. The leading theme was "Connected through purpose"; vouching to direct our efforts in executing projects while fostering meaningful relations.

We became aware of our responsibilities to the District and became more active by sharing our experiences and reporting our growth. We also realized how important it was to establish a closer relation with the Rotary Clubs on our Island. We were constantly present and helped when was needed; in exchange the sponsor club us was welcoming and always ready to give us help too. This was crucial to our club's moral, making us feel that no help was too little, and no project was too big. Besides establishing an agenda for the year with the club's main annual projects, all members would get the opportunity to lead their own project or club activity. We did not only gained members as we went, we also gained other organization's trust and support to carry projects we never thought we could carry. Even though circumstances did not allow us to complete the full agenda, we are grateful for the 14 talented and caring members we have today, and the trust and support given to the club.

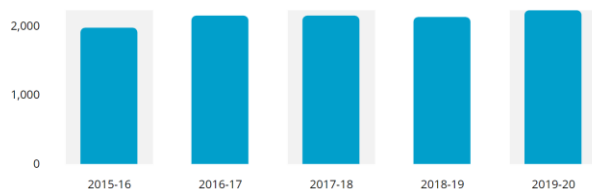
We are excited to finish what we started, now with the help of our new partners and friends we will continue to invite others to be active members in our community.

Bethannia Peinado, Secretary 19 – 20



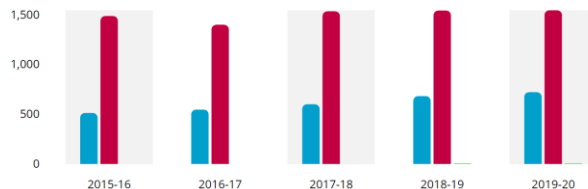
District 7030 Dashboard in 4th Quarter 2019-2020

Membership Trends



	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
● July 1	1.98k	2.15k	2.15k	2.13k	2.23k

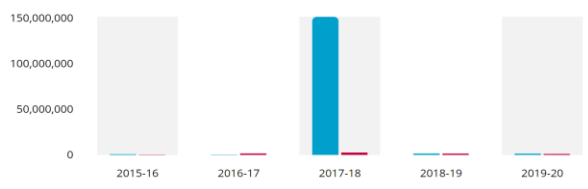
Gender Trends



	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
● Female	513	546	600	682	722
● Male	1.49k	1.4k	1.54k	1.54k	1.55k
● Unreported	0	0	1	6	6

as of: 27-Jun-2020

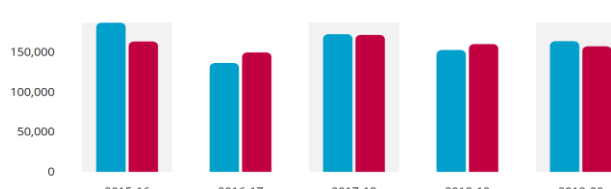
Project Trends - Funding



	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
● Cash	\$798.2k	\$394.1k	\$151.6m	\$1.6m	\$1.4m
● Donated	\$383.4k	\$1.6m	\$2.7m	\$1.5m	\$1.1m
● Goods and Services					

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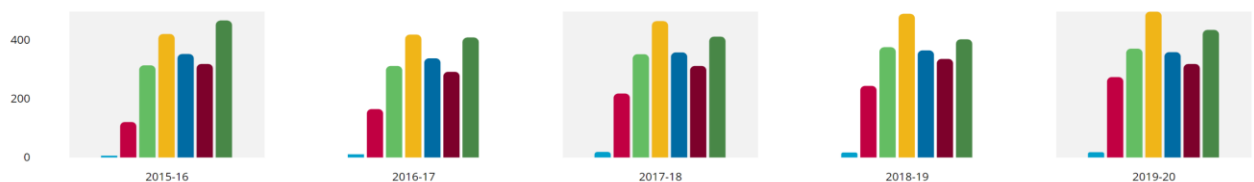
Annual Fund Trends



	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
● Goal	\$187k	\$137k	\$173k	\$153k	\$164k
● Achievement	\$164k	\$150k	\$172k	\$160k	\$158k

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Age Trends



	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
● 29 and Under	6	11	19	17	18
● 30-39	121	165	218	244	274
● 40-49	314	312	352	376	371
● 50-59	421	419	465	490	497
● 60-69	353	338	358	365	359
● 70 and Over	319	292	312	336	319
● Unreported	467	409	412	403	435

as of: 27-Jun-2020