

Economic & Community Development

Rotary
Club of New Providence
Nassau, Bahamas



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Oct. 3, 17 - Club Meeting

Oct. 7, 17 - Beach Clean Up

Oct. 10, 17 - Club Meeting

Oct. 13, 17 - Fellowship Friday

Oct. 14, 17 - RCNP Boat Cruise

Oct. 17, 17 - Club Meeting

Oct. 21, 17 - Beat the Drum for Polio

Oct. 24, 17 - Club Meeting/ World Polio Day

Oct. 28, 17 - Fellowship Breakfast

Oct. 28, 17 - Service Project at the Penn/Pratt Co-Ed Unit

Oct. 31, 17 - Club Meeting

Plugging The Leaks

A community's economy is like a leaky bucket. It is easier to plug leaks than to keep pouring water in.



Economic & Community Development Month

Economic and community development is one of Rotary's six areas of focus.

Unemployment, underemployment, lack of economic opportunity, lack of appropriate training, and the absence of social safety nets lie at the core of poverty. For the poor, labor is often the only asset available to improve well-being. Creating productive employment opportunities is essential for reducing poverty and achieving sustainable economic and social development, and for providing income security and empowerment especially for women, people with disabilities, youth, and the extremely poor.

Like education and health strategies, generating income and creating opportunities for a productive workforce and entrepreneurship are essential for reducing poverty.

Rotary clubs all over the world work with communities to enhance economic and community development. Every community has different needs and different opportunities to serve. This publication is intended to help you ask the right questions, identify real needs, and make the greatest possible impact with the time, energy, and resources you have at your disposal.

RNCP ECONOMIC & SERVICE DEVELOPMENT



RCNP Simpson Penn & Willie Mae Pratt Project



32nd US President Franklin D. Roosevelt once said, "We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."

On Saturday, September 16th, 2017, the Change Makers of the Rotary Club of New Providence (RCNP) came out in full force to once again bring positive intervention to the lives of over twenty young boys boarded at the Simpson Penn School. In fulfilling their underlying charge to aid in youth rehabilitation and to ensure that no juvenile is left behind, the Change Makers have expanded the Penn project to also provide mentorship and assistance to the Willie Mae Pratt Centre for girls. The girls school is currently home to over 14 young women. The Change makers are committed to continuing their efforts to ensure that these young people are given a second chance to smoothly assimilate on their return to open society by equipping them with the tools needed to become assets and future leaders of this great Bahamaland.

The Change Makers of RCNP strongly believe that mentorship is the key to providing the rehabilitative tools needed for these young

people who have found themselves at risk in a system of juvenile punishment which does not often look promising for their future aspirations. It is this very need which gave rise to the first stage mentoring program offered by Rotarians to the Simpson Penn School a few months ago and which in turn has refueled their motivation to also include the young women housed at the Willie Mae Pratt Girls School. Giving back is embedded in the DNA of all Rotarians worldwide and they are called to, " **Service above Self.**"

RCNP members along with the boys of the Penn/Pratt School dedicated a full day to arresting disrepair on the grounds and to prepping, priming and painting several benches which will be installed as interior perimeter seating in the School's Peace Pavilion which is another ongoing initiative undertaken by the Rotary Club of New Providence to beautify the grounds at the school and to provide an environment of Peace and serenity for the enjoyment of the young residence. Throughout the day, the Change Makers of RCNP were dispatched in teams to separate locations as the boys were housed in one location while the girls were kept at another. Each RCNP team engaged and inspired the young men and women of the Penn/Pratt Schools by offering them practical career guidance, life lessons and words of wisdom and encouragement.

The day culminated with Rotarians catering to the Co-ed group by entertaining them with recreational discussion, Rotarian styled fellowship and of course providing tasty grilled food, snacks and drinks

Notwithstanding the obstacles that these juveniles might face in a broken system they all have the hope of a bright future ahead of them and appear to be eagerly awaiting their opportunity to show society that everyone deserves a second chance!



In the past, RCNP has forged an ongoing and lifetime partnership with the stakeholders and staff at the Simpson Penn School and will continue to do so by integrating their efforts with the Willie Mae Pratt Girl's School. On Tuesday, 19th September 2017 the Change Makers proudly revealed the fruits of their ongoing labour through the unveiling of the Penn/Pratt Co-educational Unit signage, donation of drums and restored benches at a special assembly held at the Penn/Pratt school which was attended by RCNP's dedicated President and Service Project Chair along with a team of Rotarians. To say the least it was a moment of crowning glory to an initiative which has spiraled into a great RCNP service project effort!



In doing its part to support basic education and literacy the Rotary Club of New Providence partnered with the University of The Bahamas on Saturday 23rd September 2017 to improve literacy skills. Children from the Nazareth Centre and Elizabeth Estates Children's Home were engaged in a day of interactive literacy activities at the Harry C. Moore Library, University of The Bahamas.

The project was aimed at commemorating world literacy day while highlighting the importance of literacy. Students were made aware of reading resources and were encouraged to develop their literacy skills by engaging in reading and writing. In the Rotarian spirit, of Service above Self, Rotarians shared their skills, time and resources and read to the group of young, eager students. There was not a dull moment at the library, as students colored and answered questions. Students also enjoyed pizza and donuts during the interactive session.





In an effort to launch its first Rotaract Club, RCNP on Wednesday, September 20, 2017, participated in a Club Fair at BTVI.

Rotaract brings together adults ages 18-30 to take action in their communities, develop their leadership and professional skills, and have fun. Rotary clubs sponsor them, but Rotaract members manage and fund their clubs independently. At the



Club Fair, RCNP had many students signed up for Rotaract.

RCNP Vocational & Training Committee had a training session with teachers of BTVI in their compacity as Rotaract Advisors on Saturday, September 16, 2017, RCNP. The teachers were well informed and were excited to embark on this journey as Advisors for BTVI's newest Club.



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Hurricane IRMA Recovery Committee Report
Report #4 Sept 18, 2017

NEWS FROM OUR DISTRICT DISASTER COMMITTEE

DG Robert has made a video asking for assistance. This has now been posted to Vimeo.

The Recovery Committee is looking to all the Coordinators to provide regular updates from each territory so that we can keep the Disaster Recovery Committee updated as well as our fellow Rotarians, Donors, and friends. Please assist them by keeping them updated with your activities.

This will enable the district team to channel the aid effectively and in a timely manner.

And finally, we have one change in the team as Rotarian Jacqueline Heyliger is leaving for Houston, TX where her professional avocation calls, and PDG Rupert Ross is stepping into that role as District Disaster Chair.

Birthdays

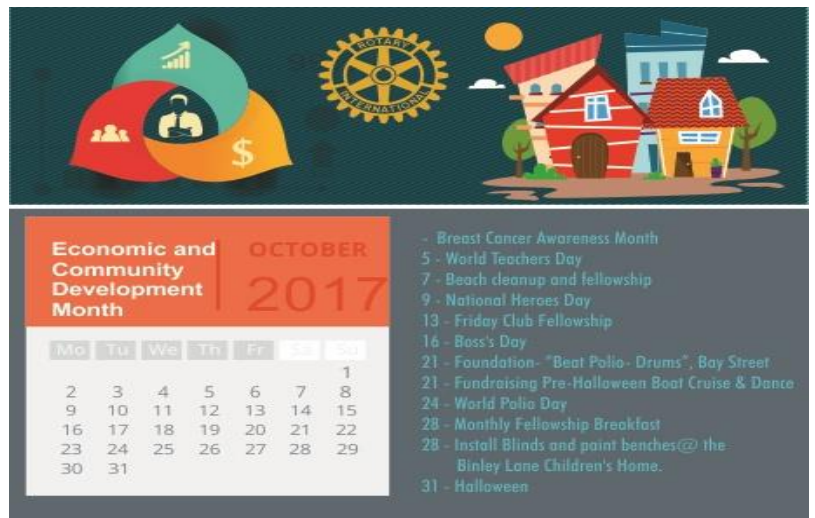
Ethel-mae Dames – October 1st (*Spouse of PP Tim Dames*)
 Lathera Major – October 4th
 Asaneth Strachan – October 9th (*Spouse of PP Kendal Strachan*)
 Edward Bostwick – October 13th
 Michael Knowles – October 18th
 Stephanie Unwala – October 24th (*Spouse of Jimmy Unwala*)

Rotary Anniversaries

Kendal Strachan – October 7th, 2002, (15 yrs.)
 Anastacia Hepburn – October 13th, 2015 (2 yrs.)
 Lathera Major – October 22nd, 2012, (5 yrs.)

Wedding Anniversaries

Charleen Kerney – October 31st, 2009, (8 yrs.)



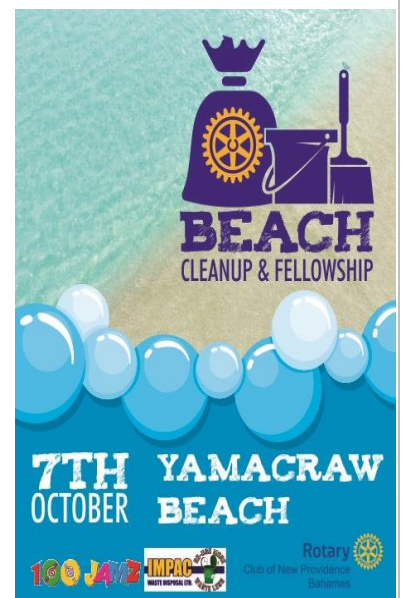
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- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- 5 - World Teachers Day
- 7 - Beach cleanup and fellowship
- 9 - National Heroes Day
- 13 - Friday Club Fellowship
- 16 - Boss's Day
- 21 - Foundation - "Beat Polio - Drums", Bay Street
- 21 - Fundraising Pre-Halloween Boat Cruise & Dance
- 24 - World Polio Day
- 28 - Monthly Fellowship Breakfast
- 28 - Install Blinds and paint benches @ the Binley Lane Children's Home.
- 31 - Halloween




TOMORROW'S CHANGE MAKERS ANNUAL FUNDRAISER BOAT CRUISE
ON BOARD: THE SEALINK
 ALL FUNDS RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS RCNP COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS INCLUDING RENOVATIONS AT PENNY HILL & CO. SWEETTING AND THE FOOD BANK THAT PROVIDES GROceries TO NEEDY BAHAMIAN FAMILIES WEEKLY.
 TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 BOARDING AT 6PM SAILING FROM 9PM - 12MIDNIGHT
 TICKETS \$20.00
 MUSIC BY: PLAYHOUSE DJS DJ PRESSURE & JOE KOOLZ
 HOSTED BY: JJ from 100JAMZ
 Rotary Club of New Providence Bahamas



7TH OCTOBER YAMACRAW BEACH
 BEACH CLEANUP & FELLOWSHIP
 100JAMZ IMPAC
 Rotary Club of New Providence Bahamas



Save the Date!
 Friday, 6th October, 2017
 7 - 9 pm
 Balmoral Club
 Sanford Drive
 Includes:
 Hors d'Oeuvres
 (2) Free Cocktails
 Proceeds to Hurricane Relief
 Dress Code: Business attire
 Tickets available from your Club
 Tickets \$75
 A Celebration honoring RIFE Barry & Esther Russin
 Bahamas Rotary Clubs



INTERNATIONAL CULTURE WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL
 Oct 14 & 15
 Botanical Gardens
 * Bahamian and International booths!
 * Fun for the KIDS! * Cultural Displays!
 * Entertainment! * Food & Drinks
 Gates Open
 Saturday 10am to 7pm
 Sunday 10am to 6pm
 Adults \$10/Kids \$3
 SATURDAY NIGHT CONCERT
 6-8PM FEATURING VISAGE
 Our Sponsors: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, BOB, aliv, Coca-Cola, DASANI, Cloude 9, Dreamworks, DODGE, REV, SAMSUNG, SONY, TOSHIBA, VIZIO, NAD, AML Foods, Bahamas Experience Tours, www.culturefestbahamas.com, INDIA/ETHIOPIA, GERMANY, EGYPT, AUSTRALIA

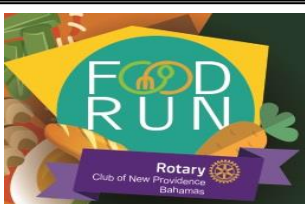


24 October World Polio Day
 The World's Greatest Meal To Help End Polio
 TOGETHER WE CAN ERADICATE POLIO WORLD-WIDE
 Register your event on www.wgmeal.com



Club Training Nook

Rotary Club of New Providence was Chartered on June 1st, 1988, District 7020



Meetings: Tuesdays 7pm @ Poop Deck, West, Nassau, The Bahamas



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