# ROTARY CLUB OF TORTOLA Monthly Digest

August 2018 Issue



# Membership & New Club Development

#### Hello Rotarians!

August is membership and new club development month! This means it is time to celebrate our Club and what way to celebrate than having our Rotary International President Barry Rassin and First Lady Esther in Town on a historic visit!

That's right! They will be accompanied by our very own District 7020 Governor Patrick Adizua and First Lady Lesline. The excitement doesn't stop there as we are in celebration mode commemorating our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary! There are many ways you can join in the celebration and share the love of Rotary! Here are a few suggestions to get you started:

✓ Be the Inspiration – Get involved in a service project or share stories of our projects and how they improve our communities. You can do this on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, etc.

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**TAKE ACTION**: www.rotarytortola.org

# Membership & New Club Development

- ✓ We are People of Action Use the hashtag "PeopleOfAction and post pictures on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn of Rotarians at Work in our local communities or globally to show how Rotary creates change in communities all around the world.
- ✓ Exchange Ideas Let's share our knowledge on membership with other Clubs. What is successful membership? Log on to Rotary.org and join the discussion board "Membership Best Practices.
- ✓ Are you proud? Then say it loud! Let everyone in your social network knows how you feel about Rotary. "I am a Proud Rotarian!"
- ✓ Bring a friend Let's spread the love of Rotary. Bring your buddy to club meeting or out on one of our club activities, let's fellowship, do the good work of Rotary and have a good time!

# **FUN POP QUIZ**

- 1. What year and which president installed the first female member in the Rotary Club of Tortola and what year did she became president of the Club?
- 2. In RI President Barry Rassin's own words, what does membership flexibility means?

First Rotarian to give the correct answers will get a free People of Action T-Shirt.



#### Club brochure available

# **Upcoming Events**

- 2 August 2018 Director Merrick Watson to speak on Membership plans for the Club.
- 6 August 2018 BVI Rotary floupe in the August Festival parade.
- 9-11 August 2018 Barry Rassin historic visit to BVI.
- 10 August 2018 Foundation Dinner
- August 2018 Painting of Hurricane Shelter with DDM. Exact date to be announced.

#### Announcements

- People of Action T-Shirts available.
- Register online for District Conference,
  29 April 5 May 2019, Jamaica.



Welcome President Barry & First Lady Esther!

The BVI Rotary family welcomes you to our beautiful Virgin Islands!

# "Share your love for Rotary"

"The Spirit of Rotary is not exclusive, it expands. It is not local, it is universal. It is the wish to understand and be understood, to see virtues rather than faults in others, to find what we have in common rather than what divide us." — District Governor Patrick Adizua.



Sec. Bee & the Love Bucket – Watering of a newly planted Christmas tree.



Rotarians and a couple youth at work branding the St. George's bus shed.



Interact Club of Bregado Flax Educational Centre Installation Dinner

## **Club Meeting Information**

Weekly: Every Thursday, at 12:30 p.m.

Place: The Moorings Restaurant, Wickham's Cay II, Road Town, Tortola

British Virgin Islands

# **Board of Directors**

**President** – Lynette Harrigan

**Vice President** – Valerie Thomas

**Secretary** – Bernadette Brathwaite

**Treasurer** – Astrid Wenzke

**Sergeant at Arms** – PP Lorna Smith

**President Elect** – Michael Killourhy

Immediate Past President – Karia Christopher

**Membership Director** – Merrick Watson

**Foundation Director** – PP Henry Creque

**Public Image Director** – Mitsy Ellis-Simpson

**Community Director** – Dion Stoutt

**Club Admin Director** – Stacy Wynter

**Youth Services Director** – Finfun Peters

**Virgin Gorda Rep.** – Argel Horton

**Secretary Elect** – Violet Gaul

**Treasurer Elect** – PP Lloyd Black

# **AUGUST ROSTER**

#### Attendance

Johanna Boyd

# Hospitality

Kelvin Liburd

# **Raffle Ticket**

Kevin Fahie

# **Lunch Ticket**

Argel Horton

# **Community Projects**

# St. George's Bus Shed Refurbished & Branded:

The bus shed was replaced with a railing which was lost in Hurricane Irma, cleaned, painted and further branded with the Rotary International's Wheel. It is primarily used by students to wait on their school bus or parents. We will be working with the St. George's Interact Club and school body to create a positive awareness theme at the bus shed.



# Donation of Clothing to BVI HSA's Mental Health Dept.:

The BVI Rotary Clubs donated several boxes of clothes to the BVI Health Service Authority Mental Health Department for persons in need. The exchange took place on the Festival grounds on Friday 13th July 2018.





**Festival Floupe:** Work on the Rotary August festival floupe is ongoing. The Float is being constructed with the theme "Be the Inspiration" by the BVI Rotary family. Everyone is invited to help build the floupe! To get involved, please get in touch with Rtn. Edson, Rtn. Finfun, Rtn. Tara, Sec. Bernadette or Rtn. Lavina. *In Photo: Rtn. Johanna designing a part of the float*.

#### New Christmas Tree at Port Purcell Roundabout:

8<sup>th</sup> July 2018 - Rotarians planted a small Christmas tree at the Roundabout because Hurricane Irma had destroyed the community's traditional Christmas Tree. Assistance to plant the tree was also provided by Groundworks. The traditional Christmas tree was an all year round centerpiece which was illuminated yearly at Christmas time by the Rotary Club of Tortola.



Of the things we think, say or do...

Is it the TRUTH? Is it FAIR to all concerned? Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIP? Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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