



"Quality is never an accident—rather, it is always the result of high intention, intelligent direction and skillful execution."

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DUTY ROSTER 3rd of December, 2008

Greeter: Rot. Doug Murray
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Raffle: Rot. Jonathan Adam

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New Member for Rotary Sunrise

James Chiweshe is no stranger to Rotary Sunrise as he has been attending meetings for a number of weeks with Director David Reid.

James is from Harare, Zimbabwe. He is a Chartered Accountant, currently a financial manager with Caribbean Publishing Company Ltd.

James will be serving on the International Service committee.



Getting to know Pauline McGettigan



Pauline McGettigan was born in County Donegal, Ireland, the third child in a family of six. She attended the local Primary and Secondary schools and graduated with an Honors Degree in Education from Trinity College, Dublin. After graduation Pauline spent seven years in Dublin teaching inner city children and special needs children. She then took a leave of absence from the Irish weather and headed off to sunnier climes !

First stop, a year in the Turks and Caicos Islands as Principal in the Turtle House Primary School in Providenciales. Next stop, the Cayman Islands and St. Ignatius Catholic School for five years. Then, George Town Primary School for nine years as a classroom teacher and Head of the Infant Department.

After more than twenty years in the field of education Pauline has since made a career change and is now Administration Manager at Bastion Life Insurance, an offshore life insurance company who provide life insurance policies to high net worth clients.

Pauline has resided in Cayman for the past fifteen years and doesn't miss the Irish weather enough to return to her other home any time soon ! She is a licensed Exercise & Fitness Trainer, Advanced Certification Scuba Diver, loves to travel as often as possible and has been described as an avid reader, cook and wine-buff, but not necessarily in that order !

Did you know?

Quick facts about President Woody Foster.

Born in Kingston, Jamaica.
Educated at Florida Air Academy and LSU.
Caymanian.
Managing Director of Foster's Food Fair.





Family Month

December is Family Month on the Rotary calendar. Following is R.I. President Lee's December message, observing Family Month.

December 2008

Dear fellow Rotarians,

As a father of four and grandfather of five, I have been fortunate to have spent many years in the company of children. When raising our own children, my wife, Young, and I worked hard to give them what all children need most: a loving, safe, and stable home. Our children were our first priority, and we made sure that they always had nutritious food, appropriate clothing, quality medical care, and a good education. We knew very well how fortunate we were to be able to do this. We were grateful that we never had to say to our children, "I'm sorry, but there's nothing to eat tonight," or "I'm sorry, but we can't pay your school fees."

When I was a child, Korea was a poor country, and there were many children who went to bed hungry at night and had no school to go to in the morning. As a Rotarian, I know only too well that there are still far too many children in the world without the absolute essentials: food, clothing, shelter, medical care, and education. And as a Rotarian who is also a father, I consider all of the world's children to be my responsibility.

When I see my own grandchildren – happy, healthy, and enrolled in good schools – I cannot help but think of the millions of children who do not have so many advantages. I think of the children who have too little to eat and only dirty water to drink. I think of the children who are sick with diseases that could have been prevented and those who will have nowhere safe to sleep tonight. And I think of the children, millions of them every year, who won't live to see their fifth birthday.

December is Family Month. It is a time to focus on our families, to involve them in our Rotary service, and to challenge ourselves to do even more for those in need. Because there are so many families and so many children waiting for our help, we, as Rotarians, cannot look away. We cannot and will not rest until all children, everywhere, have the chance for a long and healthy life.

We will not rest until we *Make Dreams Real* for every child in every home where there is hunger, sickness, and want. As Rotarians, we can do no less.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee
President, Rotary International



2007-2008 Leadership
RI President:
D.K. Lee
District 7020 Leadership
District Governor:
Rupert Ross Jr.
Past District Governor:
Richard McCombe
Asst. Governor - Cayman:
Raymond Whittaker
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The Four-Way Test
Of the things we think, say or do:
Is it the truth?
Is it fair to all concerned?
Will it build goodwill and better
friendships?
Will it be beneficial
to all concerned?
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The Rotary Grace
O God and giver of all good
We thank thee for our daily food
May Rotary friends
and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days.
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**PAST PRESIDENTS
ROTARY SUNRISE**
Charter President
Alastair Paterson
2002-2003
J. Gordon Hewitt
2003 - 2004
Christopher Bowring
2004 - 2005
Stuart N. Diamond
2005 - 2006
Hendrik Jan van Genderen
2006 - 2007
J. Rosalie Jamieson
2007-2008



The Pulse of the Club (Part 2) submitted by Director Bruce John

This article is a follow-up to last week's article on measuring the pulse of the Club. Before we get into the meat and potatoes (or shall I say fish, rice and beans for those who can identify with each) of how Rotarians feel about our Club, its activities, their own commitment and those of others, I thought we should start with the design of the survey. On Wednesday, October 22nd members in attendance completed a seven- page, forty-one questionnaire. We received fifty-one completed/partially completed surveys representing fifty-nine percent of our total membership out of eighty-seven which represented a good sample size. The questions were broken down as follows:

- Questions 1- 4 demographics of the Club's make-up
- Questions 5 - 12 measure of commitment
- Question 13 running of the Club
- Questions 14 - 17 friendliness of the Club
- Question 18 satisfaction with the weekly meetings
- Questions 26 - 33 the newsletter and Club Runner
- Questions 34 - 39 community projects, international service, rotary foundation
- Question 40 fundraising activities
- Question 41 satisfaction of the Club and the Rotarian

So what are the demographics of the Club and the thoughts of our members on commitment and the running of our Club? Interestingly enough, we are a young club both in age and experience. Forty-six percent of those members surveyed had been Rotarians for less than three years, sixty percent were younger than the age of fifty. This is excellent news, many Rotary Clubs have greater experience but are made up of older members and lack the ability to attract new members consequently facing a shrinking membership and becoming less active in the community. As far as the ratio of women to men, sixty percent surveyed were men and forty percent were women which is a ratio well above many other Rotary Clubs. Believe it or not, there are still Clubs who don't allow women! Another interesting finding, our Club is split 50/50 Caymanian/Residency Holders and Expats being representative of the make-up of our community. It shows as well a desire by each group to work together for the benefit of all in our community. Not surprisingly an overwhelming majority of those surveyed joined Rotary to give back to the community and to make a difference.

Stay tuned for next weeks article on commitment, running of the Club and whether we are considered "friendly" Rotarians!

Wine, Women & Song



BRITCAY

Rotary Calendar of Events

January 2009

January 31st - Art@Governors
Family Day—Information TBC

February 2009

Sunday 22nd of February - Oscar Night - Information to be confirmed.

April 2009

April 25th—Rotary Sunrise Health Fair

Radio Auction - TBC

June 2009

Car Raffle

Do you have a committee meeting scheduled? Do you have a community event you wish to place on the calendar?

Email the information to Rotarian Christine for inclusion.

Rotary Sunrise Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

1st December Doyle Dally
2nd December David Reid
4th December Emma Howe
27th December Doug Murray
28th December Steen Elverdal
30th December Alastair Paterson

Anniversaries

13th December Alastair Paterson
16th December Dawn Cummings
19th December Claudette Saint-Reid
22nd December Garth Bryce
30th December Deborah Chambers

Reminder to Red Badgers

Red Badgers are reminded to submit their bio / job talk to Rot. Christine for publication in the Sun. Please include interesting facts like hobbies, most embarrassing moment etc!

Did you know?

You can do a make-up by attending a committee meeting, reading on Friday or Junior Achievement.

Sunny Smiles -

A man was leaving a cafe when he noticed an unusual funeral. A funeral Coffin was followed by a second one. Behind the second coffin was a Solitary man walking with a black dog. Behind him was a queue of 200 men walking in single line. The man couldn't stand his curiosity. He approached the man walking with the dog, 'I am so sorry to disturb you, but I've never seen a funeral like this with so many of you walking in single line. Whose funeral is it?'

The man replied, 'That first coffin is for my wife.'

What happened to her?'

'My dog attacked and killed her.'

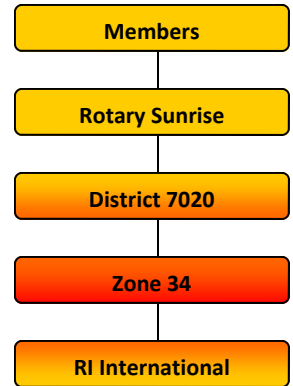
'Well, who is in the second coffin?'

'My mother-in-law. She was trying to help my wife when the dog attacked And killed her also.'

A thoughtful moment of silence passes between the two men.

Then the First one asks in excitement, 'Can I borrow the dog?'

The man replied, 'Join the queue.....!'



Grand Cayman Make-Up Opportunities

Rotary Central meets on Tuesdays at 7:15 pm at the Marriott Beach Resort
Rotary Grand Cayman meets on Thursdays at 12:15 pm at The Westin Casuarina.
Rotaract Grand Cayman meets on Thursdays at 6:45 am for 7 am at Icoa
Rotaract Blue meets on Wednesday at 6 pm at Fusion Restaurant (Mirco Centre)

Mosquito Net Project

One of the most sobering facts about malaria is that it can be prevented simply by sleeping under an insecticide-treated mosquito net. These nets can last five years and cost about US\$10 -- expensive to families who survive on less than \$1 a day but, thanks to Rotarian efforts, now accessible to many of them.

The Rotary Club of Kråkerøy, Norway, teamed up with the Rotary Club of Machakos, Kenya, in 2004 on a \$16,000 Matching Grant project to distribute 3,000 mosquito nets to children under five and pregnant women in a slum of Machakos and nearby rural villages.

It was such a success that the clubs are collaborating on a second Matching Grant project to hand out 5,000 nets during 2008, with plans for a third effort in the works.

Malaria prevention often fits in with larger community development ventures. The Rotary Club of Red Deer Sunrise, Alberta, Canada, for instance, is partnering with the Rotary Club of Iganga, Uganda, on a \$33,000 Matching Grant project that's providing rainwater harvesting tanks, livestock, agricultural education, and 1,400 insecticide-treated mosquito nets — enough for everyone in Uganda's Buntaba village.

"Malaria is almost like the common cold [to people in Buntaba]," says Ed Grose, of the Red Deer Sunrise club. "And because it's so commonplace, it becomes almost acceptable."

Another effort to address multiple needs was initiated by the Rotary Club of Raymond, Alberta, Canada. Past club president Steven Leavitt and his wife, Pat, traveled to a Bushenyi District village near Kampala, Uganda, in 2007 on a \$6,000 Volunteer Service Grant to distribute mosquito nets and offer agricultural assistance.

Their hosts from the Rotary Club of Mengo recruited a local doctor to help distribute 150 pretreated mosquito nets to the 32-family village. Every household reported outbreaks of malaria at least once a month, Pat recalls, and only a few villagers had even seen a mosquito net before. She was thrilled when, six months later, the doctor e-mailed to report that he had found no new cases of malaria on a recent visit.

"It's just incredible to realize that kind of impact," Pat says.

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Breakfast at Tiffany's

Sunday, 7th of December, 2008 at 9:30am

The Great Lawn, The Ritz-Carlton, Grand Cayman

Proceeds benefit the Cayman Islands Cancer Society

Contact Rot. Christine or call 949-7618 for information

