

ROTARY CLUB OF ANTIGUA

P. O. Box 1091, St. John's, Antiqua W.I.

District 7030 Club 6797: Chartered September 1972 We meet Wednesdays 12:00 noon At Rotary House Corner Sir Sydney Walling Highway & Nugent Avenue

August 21, 2017

The Rotary Club of Antigua was chartered on September 10, 1992. This year, therefore, the Club will celebrate its 45th Anniversary.

The Club has had a very active history over the past 45 years in answering the call as it has in practicality carried out the most essential needs of the community within its means. It has carried out the wishes of Rotary International in support of the Foundation with its Polio Plus Program and other programs.

The Club has done several major medicals, educational and outreach projects to assist the less fortunate citizens of our island. Some of which includes:

Medical Assistance

- 1. Renovation to the Gweneth O'Reily Ward at the then Holberton Hospital,
- 2. The supply of medical equipment to medical and dental clinics, the most recent the presentation of an Ultra Sound Machine at the Mt. St. John Medical Centre.
- 3. Sending individuals abroad for medical assistance,
- 4. The ongoing Gift of Life program which has helped many children suffering with heart problems. The most recent is Karmal George, who is the first one to have surgery four years ago in Virginia for congenital heart disease.
- 5. Over the years the Club has had monthly Meals on Wheels program feeding just over 100 persons in the various communities around the island.
- 6. Training in Foot Care was also executed.
- 7. This year we plan to reintroduce the Wheel Chair Donations

Education

Over the last 10 years, the Club embarked on education as its main project.

- 1. To date, some two thousand, four hundred **(2,400)** computers have been installed and over **50 fully networked computer labs** have been set up in the schools (both private and government) in Antigua and in Barbuda.
- 2. The Club embarked on another education project whereby students were recognized and rewarded on a monthly basis through a Student of the Month Award.
- 3. A Book Reading Competition was also executed and is planned again this year.
- 4. The Club also intends to partner with our sister club in presenting back to school supplies to the needy children on the island.

Other

- 1. Annual Christmas Party in Antigua and Barbuda where 500 students are presented with a gift each along with games and treats.
- 2. An Easter Fair for 250 children across the island. Each child will receive an Easter Basket or an Easter Bag along with games and treats.
- 3. Built and set up and outfit the Pigotts Library and computer lab.

This year, the Club will undertake the funding of the following activities:

- 1. The Wheel Chair Project
- 2. Annual Christmas Parties
- 3. The Easter Fair
- 4. Renewable Energy Power Project. This is the Installation of a renewable energy system with battery back up.
- 5. Refresh/repainting of the Claire Vue Hospital