Installation of the 35th President
&
2013 - 2014 Board of Directors
Wednesday, July 10, 2013, 12:15 P.M.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF
ST. THOMAS II
USVI • DISTRICT 7020

Ray J. Barry
President 2013-14

Service Above Self

Frenchman’s Reef & Morning Star Beach Resort
Aqua Terra Oceanfront Grill
1 July 2013

Dear fellow Rotarian,

Congratulations to you on your installation to the office of 2013–14. I am confident you will have a busy and rewarding year.

At every stage in our lives, Rotary has something for each of us. From the moment we became Rotarians, the world of Rotary service was open to us—and it became our obligation to choose how best to serve.

In this Rotary year, you have taken on the commitment of holding a Rotary office. You have decided to take the next step in your Rotary service, and accepted the privilege and the responsibility that come with that decision. How successful your year in office will be, will depend on you: on your planning, your enthusiasm, your dedication, and your hard work. In Rotary, as in so much else in life, the more you invest, the better your return.

It is an incredibly exciting year to be a Rotarian, and to be a Rotary officer. The challenge for Rotary leaders, at every level, is to help every Rotarian realize the potential that lies before us: as we finish the job of polio eradication, and move forward in a new era for our Rotary Foundation.

The more Rotarians are engaged in Rotary service, the more we all realize what we can achieve through Rotary—and our potential knows no limits. I wish you a wonderful year of successful service as we work together to Engage Rotary, Change Lives.

Sincerely,

Ron D. Burton
Dear fellow Rotarians,

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate outgoing President Cassandra Mallory and her board on their successes during the 2012/13 Rotary year and welcome President Ray J. Barry and his board as your club’s leaders for 2013/14. RI President Ron Burton has challenged each of us to Engage Rotary, Change Lives this year and the best way for us to achieve this is for every last one of us to get actively involved in at least one area of our club that you enjoy and where you can best put your skills to good use.

Regardless whether you are the newest or most experienced Rotarian, you have significant value to offer your club and community whether it is in humanitarian, club service, youth service or our Rotary Foundation. It is your responsibility, as a Rotarian, to contribute your time and talent and it’s your President and Committee Chairs’ responsibility to ask you to get involved! So please make their life easier by smiling and saying yes when they do and if they don’t - remind them that you’re ready and willing!

I’ve also challenged your board to make your club meetings as vibrant and enticing as possible - well organised with strong guest speakers and programmes. We all need to enjoy Rotary to stay engaged and strong weekly meetings and regular fellowship events are common threads that run through the most successful Rotary clubs.

2013/14 is an exciting year for Rotary. We are “This Close” to eradicating Polio and can be rightly proud of our Foundation and its successes, which will only be strengthened as we roll out the new grants model. Our District theme this year, Building our Future with Vision, embraces the need for us to continue to build and plan for the future. However more than anything, 2013/14, is the opportunity for you to make your mark as a Rotarian as you Engage Rotary, Change Lives.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Jeremy Hurst
Governor 2013/14
District 7020
Rotary International
July 10, 2013

Dear President Ray:

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate you, the Board of Directors and the members of the Rotary Club of St. Thomas II on the 35th installation of its officers.

The annual installation of officers allows the club members to strengthen their commitment to the Rotary Movement and to follow their new leadership as they strive to achieve their Rotary Goals for the new year.

The Rotary International theme “Engage Rotary Change Lives” allows for every Rotarian to become more involved with their Rotary participation and as a result they will change Lives in the community and more importantly their life will change.

I know that my fellow Rotarians will continue to promote the values of Rotary International proudly as they have done in the past.

Yours in Rotary,

Michael S. Toussaint
Assistant District Governor
District 7020, USVI North
Past President, Rotary Club of St. Thomas II
My fellow Rotarians,

I am truly appreciative of the opportunity that you have bestowed on me to be the temporary custodian of our beloved Rotary Club of St. Thomas II as your 35th president. I recognize and acknowledge the great history of our organization’s existence. It is my hope that the effort that I put forth in the coming year builds on the great tradition that has been established.

Our Rotary International President for 2013/2014 has pronounced the theme for this Rotary year to be “Engage Rotary – Change Lives”. Isn’t that what our mission as Rotarians is all about? Engage our fellow members in Rotary II, engage our fellow members of USVI North, engage the members of District 7020 and Zone 33/34 and of course engage the worldwide membership of Rotary International. Through this engagement we are able to change lives for the better in our local community and throughout the world. This is the power of collective effort.

One of the major goals that I have set forth for us to accomplish in the coming year is to strengthen our membership by aggressively seeking out more individuals in our community that want to improve the quality of life in our home and on the planet. We also seek to renew the passion of those of us that have been members for a number of years and may have lost the “fire in our bellies”. There are many in our community that yearn for an outlet to express themselves and connect with you. Let’s make it easy for them to do so, and engage them. In the words of our founder, “The thought persisted that I was experiencing only what had happened to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of others in the great city ... I was sure that there must be many other young men who had come from farms and small villages to establish themselves in Chicago ... Why not bring them together? If others were longing for fellowship as I was, something would come of it.” Paul P. Harris, My Road to Rotary

As we begin this new Rotary year, I am committed to you, my fellow members of Rotary of St. Thomas II, to give my best effort to make this a productive and fun year. I look forward to working with all of you to accomplish our individual and collective Rotary goals for 2013/2014. See you in the trenches!

Yours in Rotary Service,

Ray J. Barry
Master of Ceremonies ............................................. Conrad “Ricky” Francois
Words of Inspiration .................................................. Krim Ballentine
Pledge of Allegiance ..................................................... PP Arthur “Ash” Newton
The Four Way Test .................................................. PP Marilyn Blackhall
Welcome ............................................................... Immediate Past President Cassandra Mallory
Introduction of Rotarians & Guests ...Secretary Albert Richardson
Toast to Outgoing Board ....................... PADG Horace Callwood
Installation of President .......................... ADG Michael Toussaint
Installation of Officers and Directors .......... President Ray Barry
Remarks .......................................................... PDG Richard Grant
Presentations and President’s Address .......... President Ray Barry
Toast to New Board ....................... PADG Cheryl George-Chance
Sergeant-At-Arms ............................................ PP Alphonso LaBorde, Jr.
Raffle Master .................................................. PP Erva Denham
Closing Song : “Let There Be Peace On Earth” ........ Everyone
(Led by PPs Erva Denham, Rina Roebuck & Al LaBorde)
Adjournment .................................................. President Ray Barry

Four Way Test
of the things we think say or do.

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
Ray J. Barry  
President 2013-2014  
Classification: Financial Services

Ray is a son of the soil of the U.S. Virgin Islands and the British Virgin Islands. Born to Juanito Barry of St. Thomas and Hilda Todman-Berry of Tortola, British Virgin Islands, Ray is the second child of this union. Ray’s older brother is Dayle Barry. After returning to the Virgin Islands from studies abroad, Ray got into the insurance and financial services business, co-founding Belvedere & Barry Insurance and Financial Services in 1989, one month prior to Hurricane Hugo. During this time of business development, Ray also made a conscious decision to focus on personal development, through joining Toastmaster’s International and community development by becoming active in the VI Council of the Boy Scouts of America, having been a scout in his youth. During that time period, Ray also was an active participant in the annual United Way fundraising drive.

In 1995, after the island of St. Thomas was struck with a devastating blow by Hurricane Marilyn, Ray closed the agency and relocated to S. Florida to seek business opportunities. While there Ray met, his wife René, of soon to be seventeen years, while taking a prerequisite course to get his Florida insurance license. A few years later, a friend, Dr. George Rosenberg, had started the VI’s first and only PPO network and asked him to come back home to run it. He accepted the offer and returned to the VI to run the business. Soon after returning home and reconnecting with friends and associates in St. Thomas, Ray was invited attend a few lunch meetings of the Rotary Club of St. Thomas II by former Rotarian, Katrina White-Comissiong. In the fall of 1998, he became a proud member of this club.

Ray and Rene are the proud parents of their eight year old son, Joshua.
Anette Williams
President Elect
Spouse: Lennox
Classification: Accounting - Comptroller

Sheri Charles-Rogers
Vice President
Spouse: Dale
Classification: Insurance Agency Mgr.

Albert Richardson
Secretary
Spouse: Kali
Classification: Banking

Cassandra Mallory
Immediate Past President
Classification: Fitness Trainer

Kirk Callwood
Treasurer
Spouse: Tracy
Classification: Business Administration

Eric Baynes
Asst. Treasurer
Spouse: Keisha
Classification: Accountant
Marilyn Blackhall
Foundation
Spouse: George
Classification: Realtor/Commercial Developer

Tonia Garnett
Membership
Spouse: Clinton
Classification: Transportation/Maritime Sales

Rosetta George
Club Administrator
Spouse: Eloi
Classification: Internet Retailer

Vernice M. Gumbs
Service Projects
Classification: Computer Programmer

Jamil Hussein
Director
Classification: Grocer/Business

Alphonso LaBorde, Jr.
Sergeant-At-Arms
Spouse: Claudia
Classification: Telecommunications
LaVerne Ragster  
Director  
Spouse: Lloyd  
Classification: Educator/University Administration

Edward Thomas  
Director  
Spouse: Lucia  
Classification: Tourism/Consultant

Arturo Watlington  
Director  
Spouse: Debra  
Classification: Attorney-Criminal

Sinclair Wilkinson  
New Generations  
Spouse: Marlene  
Classification: Education

Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions

As a Rotarian engaged in a business or profession I am expected to:

1. **Consider** my vocation to be another opportunity to serve;
2. **Be Faithful** to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation to the laws of my country and to the moral standards of my community;
3. **Do All** in my power to dignify my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
4. **Be Fair** to my employer employees associates competitors customers the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
5. **Recognize** the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to society;
6. **Offer** my vocational talents: to provide opportunities for young people to work for the relief of the special needs of others and to improve the quality of life in my community;
7. **Adhere** to honesty in my advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
8. **Neither Seek** from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded others in a business or professional relationship.
Rotary came to the Virgin Islands with the chartering of The Rotary Club of St. Thomas in 1957. In 1975, several members of The Rotary Club of St. Thomas began urging the organization of a second club. Efforts in this direction were unsuccessful until Rotary International changed its policy of geographical separation to one permitting clubs to share the same geographical area.

During 1978, President Costas Coulianos released the following seven members from The Rotary Club of St. Thomas, some of whom were Past Presidents, and charged them with establishing a second club: Macon M. Berryman, Leslie Cooper, Thomas J. Lawrence, Dr. Eric L. O’Neil, PP Rabbi Stanley T. Relkin, Patrick M. Rice, and Jack Weinberger. At that time, Dave Maas, the founder and Past President of The Rotary Club of St. Thomas was residing in North Carolina but continuing the practice of law on St. Thomas part of the year. Dave was an honorary member of the club and was asked to assist in this organization effort. Thus Dave served as Organizing President and Macon as Organizing Vice-President.

In the spring of 1979, Dave Maas called a meeting to include himself, Macon M. Berryman, Les Cooper, Tom Lawrence, Bob Noble, Eric O’Neal, Patrick M. Rice and Rabbi Stanley Relkin—all members of The Rotary Club of St. Thomas, at the request of then President Costas Coulianos, to further explore the possibilities of starting a second club. The result of that meeting was the inception of The Rotary Club of St. Thomas II. Macon M. Berryman was the founder and Dave Maas was the Club’s first President. Patrick M. Rice was affectionately known as the Godfather of the new club, with his official position being Club Secretary. The other charter members included Kendrick Bragg, Darwin Crequé, Joe Davis, Sr., Bob Davis, Hank Feuerzeig, Steve Gegus, Frank McLaughlin, Aubrey Nelthrop, Leo Penha and Dick Spenceley, a total of 18 members. Jack Weinberger passed on before the new club was formed.

The first provisional meeting for Rotary II was held on April 4, 1979 at the Virgin Isle Hotel. Wednesday noon was chosen as the meeting day and time. The Rotary Club of St. Thomas II was chartered on April 14, 1979, and the charter was actually awarded at the District Conference Banquet on May 19, 1979. Archie Ogden was the first member installed after the charter was awarded. Hank Feuerzeig, Charter Member, and Archie Ogden have continued as members of Rotary St. Thomas II ever since they were inducted 34 years ago.

And we have been going strong ever since!
Past Presidents

David Maas .................. 1979-1980
Francis Mclaughlin .......... 1981-1982
Kendrick Bragg ............... 1982-1983
Darwin Creque ............... 1983-1984
Franklin Jarvis .............. 1984-1985
Joseph Trunk ................. 1985-1986
Roy D. Jackson ............... 1986-1987
Thaddeus Bast ................ 1987-1988
R.C. Fraites ................. 1988-1989
Christopher E. Brathwaite .... 1989-1990
Elliot Melver Davis .......... 1990-1991
Ron Sherwood ............... 1991-1992
Horace Callwood ............ 1993-1994
Don Farquharson .......... 1994-1995
Steve Frederickson .......... 1995-1996
Valerie George ............. 1996-1997
Alphonso LaBorde, Jr. ...... 1998-1999
Katrina White-Comissiong .... 1999-2000
Yvonne E. L. Thraen ...... 2000-2001
Archibald G. Ogden ....... 2001-2002
Tom Bolt ...................... 2002-2003
Cheryl George-Chance ...... 2003-2004
Fitzgerald Rowe ............. 2004-2005
Arthur Newton ............... 2005-2006
Erva A. Denham ............. 2007-2008
Beresford Lynch ............ 2008-2009
Simon Kevin Caines ....... 2009-2010
Eric Baynes ................. 2010-2011
Lorraine Baa ............... 2011-2012
Cassandra Mallory .......... 2012-2013

In Our Family

Earlyact Club of St. Thomas II
Lockhart Elementary School

Interact Club of St. Thomas II
Addelita Cancryn Jr. High School
Interact Club of St. Thomas II
Antilles School

Much appreciation to those who took part in the planning and execution of the 2013-2014 Installation event: PP Marilyn Blackhall, Chair, PP Al LaBorde, PP Erva Denham, PP Rina Roebuck, PP Beris Lynch, Tonia Garnett, PP Valerie George, Ricky Francois, IPP Cassandra Mallory, Past Secretary, Merle Kiture Morgan, PP Lorraine Baa, LaVerne Ragster.