

The Rotary Sun

...the official newsletter of
the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise...



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SUNRISE Celebrations Party

'Latitude'
Mar 08, 2011 at 7:00 PM - Mar 08, 2011 at 11:00 PM

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Mar 08, 2011
PAG Sophia Harris
Celebrating the Heart and Spirit of Women in Rotary

Mar 16, 2011
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Rotaract

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Rotary Awareness
Learn something new about Rotary.

Mar 30, 2011
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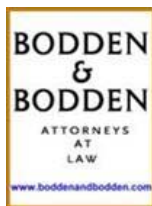
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Why should we celebrate the Heart and Spirit of Women in Rotary?

--An International Womens Day article submitted by President Michael--

March 8th, 2011 is the 100th anniversary of International Womens Day!

The 1989 Council of Legislation vote to admit Women in Rotary clubs worldwide remains a watershed moment in the history of Rotary. Within a year, 20,000 women had joined Rotary and by last year 188,000 or 15.7% of Rotary membership were women. What I did find interesting was that the first move to have women admitted into Rotary was made in 1950 by a Rotary Club in India, the country that boasts the 2nd Female Head of State – yes, I like most people thought that Indira Gandhi was the first female Head of State in 1966. However, on further research, it is India's neighbour Sri Lanka (formerly Ceylon) that has this honour as Siramavo Bandaranaike became their Prime Minister in 1960 and Golda Meir became Israel's Head of State in 1969.

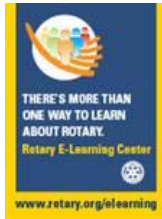
As Rotary Sunrise was Chartered in 2002 long after this change, admitting women into the club has never been an issue. At present, almost 1/3 of our members are female, which is more than double the RI average! And almost half our current Board is female with the Club being led into our 10th year by PE Andrea. Our PR Guru Geoff loves to boast that not only are we the friendliest Rotary Club, but also the best looking – would this apply if we lost all our female members tomorrow? Sorry guys!

The impact of women not only in Sunrise, but also at all levels of Rotary locally, at District level and Internationally has been immense and something we need to be very proud of as an organisation.

Nelson Mandela is often quoted as saying that if you educate women, you educate a Nation.

So as we continue Building Communities – Bridging Continents, please join me as celebrate not only The Heart and Spirit of Women in Rotary, but also the Centenary of International Women's Day.





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March 8th Guest Speaker: Sophia Harris, LL.B.

Sophia-Ann Harris (nee Solomon) is the founder of the law firm Solomon Harris.

She is a council member of the Cayman Islands Law Society, and the Caymanian Bar Association. Sophia was the first female President of the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman and is a Past Assistant Governor. Sophia is a Past President of the Chamber of Commerce and has addressed the United Nations on a number of occasions for the Chamber, including the United Nations General Assembly on constitutional matters for the Cayman Islands. She has also served as a member of the Labour Appeals Tribunal, served as Chairman of the Cayman Islands Business Staffing Plan Board and is the current Chairman of the Immigration Appeals Tribunal.



Rotarian Ian Gets Pinned At Sunrise Club

Ian Comins became the newest member of the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise during the March 2nd club meeting. As his proud sponsor Rotarian Dawn affixed the Rotary emblem to his collar, Rotarian Ian neatly usurped Rotarian Finley's place from a week earlier as the most recent "Red Badger" in the club.

Please give Rotarian Ian a warm Sunrise welcome as our newest member!

Sunrise Character Development Book Debuts



It's filled with color and poetry and imaginative pictures. But most importantly, it introduces young minds to the benefits of living according to Rotary's Four-Way Test.

An advance copy of the character development book being published by Rotary Sunrise was presented to the club on March 2nd by Director Maree on behalf of the Literacy Committee. The book was written and illustrated by local artist and storyteller Nasaria Suckoo Chollette.

President Michael plans to take copies of the book to the District 7020 Conference in April and to the RI Convention in May so that Rotary Clubs across the Caribbean and around the world will be able to purchase the book and make it a part of their efforts to promote literacy.



Food Certificates for Anna Evans' Children

To assist the family of Anna Evans in their ongoing support for the missing woman's five children, Sunrise Rotary has donated \$500 in Foster's Food Fair food certificates. Director Kim presented the food certificates to Anna Evans' cousin Shanna Bodden, who is dealing with the financial support side of this unfortunate matter.



Sunrisers Shine at Heart Health Fair

Sunrise Rotarians led by Director Kim provided support and entertained youngsters at the Cayman Heart Fund's annual Heart Health Fair on Saturday, March 5th. Thanks to all who showed up and helped.

For more great photos from the event, check the club's website for the slideshow near the bottom of the homepage!



New Mexico USA Club Accepts Sunrise Banner



Visiting Rotarian Chris Simons, a past president from the Rotary Club of Artesia, New Mexico USA, was thrilled to receive a Sunrise banner from President Michael at the March 2nd meeting. Accompanied by his father-in-law Mike Deans, both enjoyed a healthy dose of Sunrise hospitality to highlight their visit to Grand Cayman.



VP Tony Receives "Heart of Rotary"

For all of his hard work, enthusiasm, positive attitude, attention to detail, and countless acts of kindness, VP Tony Catalanotto was awarded a Heart of Rotary recognition at the March 2nd meeting!



Guests and Visitors from 2 March 2011...

Mar 09, 2011

Guests of Rotarians on 2 March 2011 (as signed in):

Mike Deans, guest of Visiting Rotarian PP Chris Simons
 Ian Comins, guest of Rotarian Dawn
 Wendy Koll, guest of Rotarian Pauline
 Daniel Lee, guest of Rotarian Krishna Mani
 Anthony Cowell, guest of Rotarian Greg
 Chris Lumsden, guest of Dir. Kim
 Enoka Richens, guest of Rotarian Berna

Visiting Rotarians on 2 March 2011 (as signed in):

PP Chris Simons, Rotary Club of of Artesia, New Mexico, USA
 Paul Palmer, Rotaract Club of of Grand Cayman
 Laura Dixon, Rotaract Club of of Grand Cayman



Duty Roster for 8 March 2011

Mar 08, 2011

Greeter – Director Maree Martin

Grace – Rotarian Pauline McGettigan

4-Way Test – Director Pat Stewart

Raffle- Rotarian Barbara Anley

Rotary Minute – AG Rosie Jameson

Sergeant– Honorary Rotarian Margaret Ramsey-Hale

Sergeant's Assistant – Rotarian Finley Josephs

Sunrise Birthdays & Anniversaries for March

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March Birthdays



Simon Watson, 2-Mar
Berna Cummins, 4-Mar
David Gordon, 11-Mar
Maree Martin, 11-Mar
Bruce John, 14-Mar
Martha Connolly, 16-Mar
Garth Bryce, 18-Mar
James Chiweshe, 18-Mar

Richard Purdom, 26-Mar
David Watler, 27-Mar

Sunrise Club Membership Anniversaries

Shannon Sylvestre, 2 years on 4-Mar
Umami Kapoor, 1 year on 17-Mar
Krishna Mani, 1 year on 31-Mar
Marie Beatrice Taylor, 1 year on 31-Mar