

# The Rotary Sun

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the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Sunrise...



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## Club Events

No Upcoming Events

## Weekly Programs

Sep 14, 2011  
Dr Greg Hoeksema, Medical Director CI,  
HSA  
Caring For Life Foundation

Sep 21, 2011  
Chief Officer Mrs Mary Rodrigues, Min.  
of Ed.  
Education in the Cayman Islands

Sep 28, 2011  
Mr Courtney Platt  
Overfishing of Cayman's Reefs

Oct 05, 2011  
President Andrea and Directors  
Club Business Meeting

Oct 12, 2011  
H.E. The Governor, Mr Duncan Taylor,  
CBE  
My Year As Governor, Cayman Islands

Oct 19, 2011  
PP Winston Connolly  
Club Assembly

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## DG Guy Theodore Visits Cayman

District Governor Guy Theodore visited the Cayman Islands last week and from his meeting with the Cayman Brac club on Monday, September 5th until his joint-clubs meeting at the Marriott Hotel on Wednesday, September 7th, DG Guy enjoyed all the hospitality that the Cayman Rotary and Rotaract clubs could provide.



His able attendant for this trip was no other than our own AG Rosie. He met with the Sunrise Board last Tuesday and complimented President Andrea and the Club for the many initiatives being planned for this Rotary year.



On Wednesday, DG Guy toured projects presented by each of the Rotary clubs in Grand Cayman. The Sunrise club introduced the DG to our EarlyAct club at the George Town Primary School. The next Sunrise project, in conjunction with the Central club, was the Superior Auto Apprenticeship

Training Programme to which Rotary Sunrise donated \$4,832 in May 2011.

From there, the DG participated in the handover of dictionaries at John Gray High School that Literacy Director and Past President Woody had arranged as a kick-off event for International Literacy Day, which was September 8th. In the photo to the left, the DG presented a new dictionary to an appreciative young man, as the Education Minister, Honourable Rolston Anglin and President Andrea observe.

The DG's visit to the Cecile Crighton Spotts Newlands Community Park was also a refreshment stop. Director Barbara Anley and Rotarian Pat Steward were on-hand to lend helping hands and encouraging comments.

The DG's visit culminated in the joint-clubs meeting. The funds raised through fines (\$1053.40), raffle (\$1234.80) and auction (\$500) were donated to the Jaipur Limb Project that will aid amputee victims of Haiti's 2010 earthquake.

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## The 4-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?

## 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.

## Important Links

- » [Rotary Club of Grand Cayman](#)
- » [Rotary Club of Grand Cayman Central](#)
- » [Rotary Club of Cayman Brac](#)
- » [Rotaract Club of Grand Cayman](#)
- » [Rotaract Blue Cayman Islands](#)
- » [Rotary Club of Weston](#)
- » [Rotary District 7020](#)



## Today's Guest Speaker: Dr. Greg Hoeksema "Caring For Life Foundation"

Dr. Greg Hoeksema is the Medical Director of the Cayman Islands Health Services Authority (HSA) and has held this position since November 2007. He is board certified in Family Medicine and Sports Medicine.

Before joining the HSA, Dr. Hoeksema served in the US Navy for 22 years as a doctor and medical executive. His last position was Executive Officer (Chief Operating Officer) of the United States Naval Hospital in Yokosuka, Japan.

Dr. Hoeksema is a member of the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman and a graduate of Pennsylvania State University. He is married to Mary-Theo and they have two sons, Connor and Reese.

## Babytherm Arrives at GT Hospital

Sunrise President Andrea, Treasurer Paul and Rotarian Kim officially handed over the long-awaited Babytherm to Dr. Greg Hoeksema at George Town Hospital. The Sunrise club donated US\$11,000 to help the hospital obtain the device, which keeps premature babies warm until their brains develop sufficiently to maintain their body heat. At the time of the handover, young Jermaine Bridges, Jr. was occupying the device--a sure sign of money well spent!



Other contributors to the fund included the Triathlon Association (US\$2000) and Genesis Trust (US\$10,000).

- » [2011 District Conference in St. Thomas](#)
- » [Rotary International](#)
- » [RI YouTube Site](#)
- » [2011 RI Convention in New Orleans](#)
- » [Paul Harris Society](#)

## 2011-12 Rotary Leadership

**RI President:  
Kalyan Banerjee**

**District 7020 Governor:  
Guy Theodore**

**Past District Governor:  
Diana White**

**Asst. Governor - Cayman:  
Rosalie Jamieson**

## Chris Anco Earns Blue Badge!

President Andrea presents Rotarian Chris Anco with his blue badge after he completes all the required "red badge" tasks of a newly initiated Rotarian.



## Flowers for IPP Michael

President Andrea submitted the following news: "Michael had surgery at a hospital in Germany on Monday [September 5th]. His bandages are off and he's healing nicely. Here he is posing with the flowers we sent from Rotary Sunrise. He sent thanks to everyone."



Best wishes for a speedy recovery, IPP Mike!

## Prepare for Raffle and Brac Invasion



A \$2000 prize awaits the lucky winner of a raffle being sponsored by the Rotary Club of Cayman Brac. Tickets are \$5 each, in books of ten and are available from Secretary Frank. With only six members, the Brac club could really use a helping hand from fellow Rotarians.

In addition, the Brac club needs volunteers from the Grand Cayman clubs to help spruce up the exercise course at the West End Community Park on Cayman Brac on **Saturday, the 22nd of October**. Dubbing this as The Brac Invasion, President Brian has exciting plans in store for all who participate: "I went to Brac Reef today and spoke with the manager. She has provided a \$99 rate for the night of 22 October. She also will arrange for us to have a private buffet in the Governor's conference center. This would provide privacy and allow us to conduct a make-up meeting. I will try to arrange for some local entertainment to be out on the patio for after dinner. There are only 26 rooms available and so I would like to ask you to try and get your

## 2011-12 Sunrise Leadership

**President:**  
Andrea Bryan

**President Elect:**  
Tony Catalanotto

**Vice President:**  
J.D. Mosley-Matchett

**Immediate Past President:**  
Michael Levitt

**Secretary:**  
Frank Balderamos

**Treasurer:**  
Paul Drake

**Club Service Director:**  
Deborah Chambers

**Fundraising Co-Directors:**  
Glen Trenouth  
Shannon Sylvestre

**Fellowship Director:**  
John Elliott

**New Generations Director:**  
Deirdre McFarlane

**Literacy Director:**  
Woody Foster

**Community Service Director:**  
Barbara Anley

**International Service Director:**  
Richard Purdom

**Public Relations Director:**  
Christine Sanders

members to sign up early. There are two planes that morning at 7:00 and 9:00. If Rotarians will book early that would take care of about 40 folks."

Please plan now to help the Rotarians of Cayman Brac make a world of difference.

## Tribute for Rotarian Philip Thomas (deceased)

*--written by Past  
President Christopher  
Bowring*



Rotarian Philip Thomas and his wife Sue

Phil Thomas has been a Rotarian for as long as I can remember and recently he was recognised for his length of service as a Rotarian by being excused from the Club Attendance requirements. He was a member of the

Rotary Club of Grand Cayman and long before I became a member of that Club I remember seeing him out regularly at Rotary "Hands On" projects and he was certainly an influencing factor in my decision to accept the invitation to become a Rotarian.

Phil transferred his membership from the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman to Rotary Sunrise shortly after its formation and I was very pleased that he accepted my invitation to come on the Board as Treasurer during my year as President of Rotary Sunrise where he served diligently during a very difficult year. He had the idea to work with the Cayman Islands Post Office to create a First Day Stamp Cover to help with the Hurricane Ivan fund raising efforts. 2005 was the Celebration year of 100 years Rotary and the Cayman Islands Post Office issued special Rotary stamps to recognise this. The First Day Covers issued were each signed by the Governor of the Cayman Islands and each of the Rotary Club Presidents in the Cayman Islands and a copy of the one that I have is attached.

Phil, with his wife Sue, regularly supported fellowship events and they were part of the group of our club members that went on a fellowship trip to Cuba in early 2005, not long after Hurricane Ivan. I attach three photographs which depict Phil in Cuba.

You will be aware of the fact that Phil was awarded the Cayman Islands certificate and badge of honour in the Queen's birthday honours.

### **Donations in Phil Thomas' memory may be made to:**

Cancer Research, UK  
c/o William Pressdee, Funeral Director  
1-2 Stanley Street  
Mumbles  
Swansea SA3 4NE  
Glamorgan, UK

Tel 01792 366513

## Tribute for Rotarian Lee Freeman (deceased)

--written by Daniel  
Priestley

Although I had known Lee from shortly after he arrived in Cayman and worked with Lee at Ogier thereafter, I truly came to know Lee in the wake of Hurricane Ivan. For three months, we bunked together and became very quick and close friends. As friends, lawyers and

former colleagues, another, closer, professional association was an obvious topic of speculation for us and became a reality as soon as possible after I established the firm. It is fair to say that I have spent a lot of time with Lee over the last seven or so years and that I know him well.

There are a number of things that, to me, define Lee, which I should like to share with you. First and foremost, there is his indefatigable good humour and joie de vivre. Lee cleverly interwove humour and cheerfulness into almost everything he did. Lee was always upbeat and uplifting to those around him and generous to a fault; he invariably shrugged off the challenges of life with a witty comment and a wry smile. Lee's good nature was infectious, it was almost impossible not to like him- as his very large circle of friends demonstrates, including those present today. The last time I saw Lee was two weeks ago. At one stage as we sat and chatted, he said to me that he felt that he "was on the cusp of a long, involuntary sleep." Even as he considered his own demise, Lee was still able to see the funny side. Lee was one of the most courageous persons I have ever met. Throughout the discomfort and pain of the many treatments he endured, Lee never once complained to me nor railed against the injustice of it all. Lee was always dignified in the face of his suffering. It would have been so easy for Lee to allow himself to indulge in self pity but when the subject came up, Lee would always be more interested in deflecting the conversation to something positive and life affirming; Lee was all about making the world around him a better place to be in.

Lee loved his life. Lee derived enormous pleasure from simple things: socializing with his friends, taking part in the daily lives of his children, spending time at the beach and around the water, eating barbeque ribs or Chinese food and liberal imbibing, to name a few. Lee cared very little about the material. Lee fought his disease unflinchingly because he wanted to live and he would be honoured, I think, to know that part his legacy is the lesson to enjoy life to the fullest and not to "sweat the small stuff". Lee would not have wished this occasion to be somber, but rather a light hearted and joyful celebration of his life.

Although Lee never indicated to me that becoming a lawyer was something that he had aspired to from an early age, it is clear that he



Rotarian Lee Freeman and his daughter Emelie

had truly found his metier in law, and particularly as an advocate. I have never seen Lee's eyes brighter than returning triumphantly from a long, hard day in court. Lee was instrumental in propelling the firm in a positive direction. Lee often spoke of his desire to become a Grand Court judge towards the end of his career, and I think he would have made a good one.

Lee cultivated friendships and had a positive effect on those who knew him. Lee created, loved and supported his own family. Lee applied himself to a career in which he was successful. Each of us must choose the metrics in life by which we judge our successes and failures. I think that the metrics that Lee applied were the good ones and the right ones. Lee was taken from us prematurely but even so, Lee's life was a success.

There is an empty space in my heart that has been caused by Lee leaving us. It is my intention to honour Lee by seeking to fill that space by applying myself to those things which Lee devoted himself in life and by doing so carry Lee's legacy forward.



Irene Gut's mother Hedy Gut

## Appreciation Message from Past Member Irene Gut

*--as written to IPP Michael*

Thank you very much for your wonderful words and for the Blessing of Memory. I am reading it often and as you say, it helps in difficult times. Even knowing that my mother reached almost 90 years and she had a happy life, it is hard for me, we were so closed to each others. She was so thankful that I looked

after her when she was helpless and I am happy that I was able to do it.

We will have a memorial service next Friday.

There is a lot to finish up in Zurich and in South of France, where my mother lived until a year ago. I am looking forward to be back in Cayman towards the end of October. It was nice for me to be in contact with my old friends in Zurich, but I missed my life and my friends on the Island a lot.

Thank you again and please give my best regards also to my Friends in Rotary.

With my very best wishes to you,  
Irene



### Sunrise Birthdays & Anniversaries for September

Posted by J.D. Mosley-Matchett on Sep 01, 2011

#### Member Birthdays

Michelle Bouchard, 2-Sep  
Deborah Chambers, 4-Sep

William Claude C Myles, 8-Sep  
Olson Anderson, 14-Sep  
Christian Cartagena, 19-Sep  
Christopher Lumsden, 24-Sep  
Jonathan Adam, 27-Sep  
John Elliott, 30-Sep

#### Sunrise Club Membership Anniversaries

Ron Stoll, 7 years on 1-Sep  
Olson Anderson, 7 years on 8-Sep  
John Elliott, 1 year on 15-Sep  
Doug Murray, 3 years on 17-Sep  
Glen Trenouth, 3 years on 24-Sep



### Guests and Visitors from 31 August 2011...

Posted by Frank Balderamos on Sep 14, 2011

#### Guests of Rotarians on 31 August 2011 (as signed in):

Betsy Kelly, Guest of Rotarian Michelle Bouchard  
Sandra Finnegan, Guest of Rotarian Debbie Strassburg  
Nancy Trescey, Guest of Rotarian Colleen Mellott  
Marilyn Conolly, Guest of President Andrea Bryan

#### Visiting Rotarians on 31 August 2011 (as signed in):

Adrean Russel, Rotaract Club of Grand Cayman  
Brian Hurley, Rotary Club of Grand Cayman



### Duty Roster for 14 September 2011

Posted by Alan Brady on Sep 14, 2011

Here's the list of members performing the respective duties for this week's meeting:

**Greeter:** Director Shannon Sylvestre  
**Grace:** Rotarian Bina Mani  
**Four Way Test:** Rotarian Mellisa Hudell  
**Raffle:** Rotarian Howard Cross  
**Rotary Minute:** VP J.D. Mosley-Matchett  
**Sergeant's Assistant:** Rotarian Stacy Parke  
**Sergeant:** Rotarian Kevin Butler



ROTARY SUNRISE

# CASINO NIGHT



Saturday, September 24th, 2011



7:00 pm until Midnight

at the Westin Casuarina, Governor's Ballroom and Lawn

- Complimentary Glass of Champagne
- \$10,000 of Rotary Dollars

- Cash Bar
- Door Prizes
- Silent & Live Auctions
- Games of Chance

- Dress to Impress
- Proceeds to support various local projects including literacy

**\$75**

