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2020-2021 Class of Lieutenant Governors



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2020-2021 Class of Lieutenant Governors



Mary Ellen Trimble
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Robert MacLeod
10 Pine Ridge



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12 Golden Triangle



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Huit Johnson
West Middlesex South



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23C Jamaica Central



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24 Jamaica



Coleen Lawson-Taylor
25 Cornwall



Patrick Melchior
26 Trade Winds



Cynthia Blackman
27 Caribbean



Joseph Maignan
27A South Caribbean



Leon Mistoco
27C Guadeloupe

**CHILDHOOD
DOESN'T COME WITH A ROAD MAP.**



KIDS NEED KIWANIS



Governor's Message



It has been a year like no other! As we have all experienced, Covid 19 has affected every aspect of our lives in real time. It has changed the way we live, work and how we serve. But I am so grateful that we as Kiwanians responded well and continued our efforts and mission to serve the children during these challenging times.

Faced with the challenges of the pandemic, my main focus as your district governor and leader for the year was simply to stay focused and to motivate, inspire and engage our members in whatever way I could and provide a vision for the year despite the challenges of the pandemic.

I remained optimistic at all times and my philosophy was that with each new day there would be hope as we continued to find new ways to stay connected, safely serve our communities and continue our mission of service; while working toward achieving our goals for the year and ensuring that we would continue to serve the children in our communities as best we could under the circumstances.

I simply asked all Kiwanians at the beginning of this administrative year to Be Bold, Be Imaginative, Be Creative, Be Innovative and to Be Transformative in their approach to their service projects, new club opening and attracting new members to their clubs.

I wish to congratulate and thank all Kiwanians throughout our district who heard and answered the call producing results that were far beyond my expectations. Each and every club has done exceptional service projects, recruited new members and/or

sponsored new adult Kiwanis clubs or Sponsored Leadership clubs.

We have proven that we can accomplish many tasks virtually- from opening new clubs and recruiting new members, training our lieutenant governors and holding our annual district convention and much more.

We have to date (2021.09-13) opened 23 new clubs and have recruited over 800 new members for the year and opened over 20 SLP clubs. Our district has maintained its number one position in membership and new club openings for the North American Region and rank third overall in Kiwanis International.

Congratulations to all and thank you for your exceptional efforts in growing your clubs and in spreading Kiwanis to new communities. Thank you for keeping our district strong in membership and new club openings.

It has been truly an amazing year, what Kiwanians have done this year in membership recruitment and new club building is simply outstanding. You remained dedicated, committed and resilient throughout this year and that is what made the difference.

Because I am very much a member of the PDG's for 2020-2021 (Pandemic District Governor's), I unfortunately did not have the opportunity to visit many clubs in the normal way in which Governor's visit in person and attend their meetings, projects and functions; but this year, however, opened new opportunities to communicate in different ways, mainly by use of the virtual platforms and social media. This afforded me the opportunity of meeting with so many more clubs on many different occasions throughout the district, which ordinarily would not have taken place in a completely face to face year.

Thank you for making a difference. I am overflowing with appreciation for each of you who volunteered your time, your finances and health in service to others this year. Undeniably these selfless acts are so very much appreciated.

I wish to sincerely thank the Lieutenant Governor's of the Class of 2020-2021 for leading their divisions with excellence. All of you truly showed your passion to serve, lead and excel. Your patience, dedication and commitment to your divisions were exceptional. The clubs under your leadership did not let the pandemic

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Governor's message cont'd

deter them and accomplished things that I never thought would be possible in these uncertain times. I so look forward to saying a special thank you, face to face at District Convention in Fredericton 2022.

Let me extend special thanks to our District Board of Trustees, Past Governors, Past Lieutenant Governors, District Committee Chairs, Club Presidents and each and every Kiwanian in our great district for your continuous support during this most challenging year.

I would like to specially extend thanks to the Kiwanis Clubs of Aruba and Division 26, Tradewinds, who hosted my one and only governor's visit for the year. Thank you for bringing a glorious and memorable ending to my governor's year, affording me the opportunity to witness face to face the meetings, sponsored programs and the fun and fellowship of Kiwanians in Aruba; which I know, I would have experienced throughout the district, if travel restrictions were not in place.

It has truly been an honour and pleasure to serve as your District Governor. Thank you for this unbelievable opportunity to serve and the many memories and experiences that will forever be etched in my heart.

As this administrative year 2020-2021 comes to a close, I look forward to supporting GD Jim Scott in whatever way I can and extend best wishes for a successful year.

Let us strive to keep our district healthy in membership so that the future of our district is secure.

Let us continue to grow in strength as we face a new administrative year emerging even stronger for 2021-2022.

Stay Safe, Stay Well

Dr. Delores B Lewis, MD,
Governor
2020-2021



The presentation of the Kiwanis Foundation of Canada Citizen of the year award for 2021 to Mrs. Sharom bellamy-Thompson by Governor Delores and assisted by President Art Riley.

"Passion to serve, Lead, and Excel"



Kiwanis Head Praises Clubs



President of Kiwanis International, Arthur "Art" Riley demits office on September 30, but the American head of the international service organisation said he had to include Barbados on the list of countries he visited before the end of his term.

Riley, of Westminster, Maryland, left Barbados recently after a short visit to the island.

Speaking at the Hilton where he and his wife Vickie were guests, he explained: "In Kiwanis International each president tries to visit several districts. We have 51 districts around the world and in a normal year a president tries to visit at least 10 districts around the world for various reasons. Barbados is in the Eastern Canada and Caribbean District and they have been excelling in service and membership over the last couple of years and we want to recognise that district."

The top Kiwanian also said he considered it important to come here because the Governor for the Eastern Canada and Caribbean District this year is Dr Delores Lewis, a member of the Kiwanis Club Barbados Central.

He lauded the work and performance of the nine clubs in Barbados, likening their performance to that of some other clubs around the world which he had managed to visit.

"In this crazy year of COVID, that Kiwanians have looked at their communities and seen what the most pressing needs are during the COVID and addressed those needs whether they be literacy of children, nutritional for senior citizens or children or other needs that they have identified in their communities, must be recognised," Riley said.

He described his four decades as a Kiwanian as "a very interesting journey.

"I have been a Kiwanian for 40 years. Each time there was an opportunity to progress within the administrative ladder of the organisation. I seemed to enjoy it more and I seemed to be effective in what I did. The opportunity came to run for international president and the delegates felt that my ideas for the organisation evidently were the best in that particular year. I have had a wonderful opportunity to meet Kiwanis around the world," Riley said.

He has been around the organisation "all his life," growing up with a father who was a Kiwanian, while he also served as a member of his high school's Key Club, the junior Kiwanis arm.

"That gave me a real good taste of service that an organisation can give to a community. As I became an adult it became a natural transition of a way of giving back to the community," Riley said.

He added as his one-year tenure draws to an end, he was heartened at seeing Kiwanians from around the world addressing new ideas and the new technology forced on by the COVID-19 pandemic .

"It is a way of developing new ideas of service," Riley said. **(GC)**

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(Picture by Reco Moore.)



For three decades, Founder of the Fishers of Men Charity Sharon Bellamy-Thompson has selflessly given her time and resources to ensure the most vulnerable in our society enjoy a warm meal and other comforts daily. Today, she was deservedly named Citizen of the Year by Kiwanis International. Top officials from the service organisation joined her as she made her usual rounds in The City. From left to right, Sharon Bellamy-Thompson, President Kiwanis International Art Riley and Dr Delores Lewis, Governor of Eastern Canada and the Caribbean.

(Picture by Remy Rock.)



Editor's Note



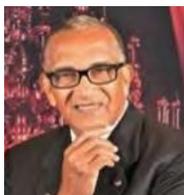
I wish to express my own commendations to the virtual convention team for bringing us together where we had an opportunity to fellowship and share thoughts, even showing party moves. Can you imagine what the physical coming together is going to be like?

As we come to the close of another administrative year I commend all the clubs on a great year in trying times. I also encourage us all to get vaccinated to ensure that get together in Fredrickton in 2022 for the celebration of our Kiwanis International Signature winner, Kiwanis Club of Providence, Montego Bay and the many other successes of 2021.

Congratulations to:



Jim Scott
Governor Designate



Anthony Haile
Governor Elect Designate



John Chave
Vice Governor Designate



Distinguished Governor Hope Markes, Kiwanis International Trustee Designate 2021 - 2024

IPG Robert "Bob" Spellen who was awarded **Distinguished Governor** status

Distinguished Lieutenant Governors

Louise MacPhee	- 4 Colonel Talbot
Joan Richardson-Horsey	- 5 Black Walnut
Susan Davey	- 8 Huronia
Christopher Rahming	- 22 Sunshine
Keith Emmerson Byfield	- 23 Central
Barrington Whyte	- 23 East South Surry
Huit Johnson	- 23 West Middlesex South
Nezbert Smith	- 24 Jamaica
Lorraine Bailey	- 25 Cornwall
Marlon der Meer	- 26 Trade Winds
Horace Burton	- 27 Caribbean
Lydie Tessonneau	- 27C Guadeloupe

Distinguished Lieutenant Governor of Excellence
Barrington Whyte - 23 East South Surry

District Awards

Inter-Club Award - Kiwanis Club of Charlton, Alexandria

Ralph S. Taylor Memorial Gong Award - Kiwanis Club of New Kingston

Laurent Girouard Award - Kiwanis Club of Paris-Brant

Frank Summers Hayes Award - Barrington Whyte Lt. Governor Division 23 East

Godfrey Dyer Kiwanis Marketing Award - Kiwanis Club of Paris-Brant

Fred G. McAllister Award - Sherilyn Cordice, Kiwanis Club of Barbados Central

Award of Merit - Vinceia Coakley, Kiwanis Club of Central Abaco

"Coup de Chapeau" Award - Brian McKeown, Chair of District Convention

Spirit of Service Award - PG Phil Rossy, Kiwanis Club of Ottawa

Mel Osbourne Citizen of the Year Award
Marcia Bellamy-Thompson - Barbados

Ray Allen Award
Gary Levine

Governor Distinguished Awardees:

Joanne Murray	Marjorie Buck
Jim Steele	Deborah Knight
Bob Bogardis	Merdina Callum
Kermitt McGann	Christopher Rahming
Bobby Moo Young	Barrington Whyte
Phil Rossy	Sophia Chase
Brian McKeown	Lisa M. Blake-Golding
Stuart McCormack	Gail Norris
Christine King	Sheila Moore



Signature Project 2021 Winners

Winners -Tier 1 (Clubs with 27 members or fewer)

	Club Name	Club President	Division	Project Name
1st	Kiwanis Club of Windsor		3 St. Clair Bluewater	Back to School Program
2nd	Kiwanis Club of Curaçao		26 Trade Winds	Kiwanis Hoben DESTAKA
3rd	Kiwanis Club of Sunshine City-Portmore		23 West	Student Engagement & Colour Me/Story Competition

Winners - Tier 11 (Clubs with 28 members or more)

	Club Name	Club President	Division	Project Name
1st	Kiwanis Club of Providence -Montego Bay		25 Cornwall	Breast Cancer Awareness 5K Walk/Run
2nd	Kiwanis Club of Central Abaco		22 Sunshine	Project 'RISE'
3rd	Kiwanis Club of Greater Portmore		23 West	Poultry Rearing and Sustainable Vegetable Garden



Thank You

Fellow Kiwanians,

Saturday May 15, 2021, is a day that will go down in history as the culmination of a well-orchestrated series of events, in my quest to represent this wonderful District..... Eastern Canada and the Caribbean – at one of the highest levels as Kiwanis International Trustee, with one goal in mind, serving the children of the world.

This moment in time will be forever etched in not only my memory, but in the memories of those who journeyed with me whether it was the years prior to joining the K-family, or from 22 years ago when I was invited to join as a charter member of the Kiwanis Club of Hopewell, or 21 years ago when I became President of my home club, or 2 years later, in 2002, when I was a Lieutenant Governor for my Division. It is also etched in the memories of those who have journeyed with me since the years between then and 2013, the leg of the journey that prepared me to go as Governor of this wonderful District. Others joined me on this fantastic journey between the following years, up to 2018, when I started preparing for this next phase of the journey as candidate for Kiwanis International Trustee. Some came on the journey during this unprecedented period of the Covid19 Pandemic, right up to today, and you have all remained with me, so that we can collectively stop and look back on the journey and realize that one step by one person, has helped to create this amazing extended family that I celebrate with today.

And that family comprises you, my Kiwanians, and SLPers; it comprises you, the family from which I earned this DNA of tenacity, altruistic spirit and high ethical standards; it comprises you, the community members who have nurtured me while I do the same in return, it comprises all members of the village that raises a daughter to be a servant leader for our children, the leaders to come.



And so, May 15 was not an ordinary day as it allows me, like our parents generations ago, to use this to signal what is to come and pause and say thank you. Thanks for having journeyed with me along the way. Thanks to my parents who laid the solid foundation on which I continue to build. To my siblings, cousins, nieces, nephews and aunt who have supported me throughout the journey. To my community and well-wishers. To my amazing K-family, to my mentors, counsellors, prayer warriors, and above all – my life-long friends, thank you all.

The support you have given moves beyond me and extends to those whose lives we have collectively impacted; and so I also say thanks to you on their behalf.

As the journey continues, I thank you in advance for the continued support that I anticipate from you all, as the next phase will take the collective years of experience, wisdom and love that you have shown all rolled up into one, and then some more, as we move forward in service together.

Special thanks to the members of the my home club, the Kiwanis Club of Hopewell, my Nominator DLGE Sharon Williams, and Secorder Jim Puskas two very able Kiwanians who believed in me and who assured me that they were willing to carry out the tasks requested. To my phenomenal Campaign and PR teams so ably led by DPs Georgia and Jerome, to my foot soldiers from near and far, you all played an integral part and gave of your time so selflessly. In the face of adversity you kept your heads up high knowing in your hearts that cream rises.

My friends, another journey has begun and I hope you will continue to walk with me.

Stay safe and keep well!!

Thank you!

Hope Markes



The Kiwanis Foundation of Canada Citizen of the Year Awardee 2021

Mrs. Sharon Bellamy-Thompson

A Philanthropist, small-business entrepreneur, and founder of the Fisherman of Men Charity are names by which Mrs. Sharon Bellamy-Thompson, our Citizen of the Year Awardee is known. She has also been dubbed “The People’s Hero” by citizens of Barbados for the impact she has made on people in need.



Each year, Mrs. Bellamy-Thompson hosts a Children’s Party for the Children’s Home, Special Needs Schools and low-income families from districts in Barbados. She loves children and nothing makes her happier than to see them smiling. She provides daily a cooked meal for 120 indigent families and homeless people as well as weekly Food Hampers and Care Packages to needy families. Her inspiration to give grew watching her mother give food to people in her neighborhood who were less fortunate even though her own family often struggled. It was about sharing what they had with others.

Mrs. Bellamy-Thompson rises at 2:00 am each day of the week and proceeds to prepare the meals in the kitchen of her home so that they are ready to be delivered before 9:00am. She packs her van to begin her home delivery to the indigent families whose children are anxious to receive an early meal. She heads for Bridgetown, parking her van near an open green space named “Jubilee Gardens” where she feeds the homeless. She reaches her business at 9:00am where she works until 5:00 p.m.



She repeats this cycle seven days a week. She says it is such a joy to help others especially when she sees the level of poverty and inability of some families to feed themselves or their children and it brings tears to her eyes. Mrs. Bellamy-Thompson has been a philanthropist for over 30 years.

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She was self-funded, when she started the Fisherman of Men Charity, five years ago. The need was greater than what she could provide. Her charity, receives donations from clients as well as businesses.

Mrs. Bellamy-Thompson is passionate about giving. Her dream is to have a building where she can have a commercial kitchen to cook, a place to feed others, as well as provide temporary shelter for poor and homeless families.

She says that she is honored to receive the Kiwanis Foundation of Canada Citizen of the Year Award and is simply doing the work that God placed her here to do.



President Art and First Lady Vickie joined the Citizen of the Year Awardee, Mrs Sharon Bellamy-Thompson and the Kiwanis Club Barbados Benevolence to feed the Homeless in Jubilee Gardens in Bridgetown, Barbados

Barbados Welcomes Kiwanis International President



President Art and First Lady Vickie after inspecting the Anti-Bullying wall which was painted by the members of the Springer memorial Builders Club as part of their Anti-Bullying Campaign. The club is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club Barbados Central.



President Art and First Lady Vickie assisting the Kiwanis Club of Bridgetown Barbados with the painting of Benches and the Beautification of The Esplanade across from Government Headquarters Barbados.



President Art accompanied by Governor Delores planting a Passion Fruit Tree as part of the Food Security Project of the K-Kids Club at the Hilda Skene Primary School. The club is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club Barbados South who assists with the care of the vegetable garden and Mini Orchard.



President Art joined the Kiwanis Clubs of Barbados and assisted with a Feeding Project at the Salvation Army.



President Art assisting with the packing of Food Hampers with the Kiwanis Club Pride of Barbados. These hampers were distributed to members of various communities on a "Random Act of Kindness" tour around the island.



President Art watering the vegetable Garden, a project sponsored by the Kiwanis Club Barbados West at the Irving Wilson Deaf School, Barbados

Barbados Welcomes Kiwanis International President



From left, president of UWI Circle K, Courtney Jordan, Governor Delores and Circle K International Trustee, Chelsea Jordan at the welcome reception for Kiwanis International President Art Riley.



Members of the planning team at lunch with KI President Art



President Art assists President of Kiwanis Club Barbados North with a presentation to a District Hospital



Play Park at Kiwanis Club of Barbados West



Goodbye President Art.
Thank you for your Visit to Kiwanis
EC and C in Barbados



From left, Lieutenant Governor Cynthia Division 27 Caribbean, First Lady Vickie, President Art and Governor Delores.

Kralendijk, Bonaire Radiothon

In April, Kiwanis Club of Kralendijk, Bonaire, held its second annual Radiothon jointly with Lions Club Bonaire and Rotary Club Bonaire to raise funds for the Bonairean foundations Voedselbank Bonaire (Food bank) and Voedsel op School (Food at school). This year the baby food packages, our signature project, were added to the goals Kiwanis had for the funds. Even though Voedselbank Bonaire and Voedsel op School provide food packages to families and children, they do not provide food and care items for toddlers and babies. The Radiothon targeted the entire community in raising funds and non-perishable food items for kids and families in need.

The event was hosted by two (2) radio stations, one in Dutch and the other in Papiamentu. Bonaire's Lieutenant Governor Edison Reina opened the events with words of encouragement and a call to donate for a good cause. Kiwanis 26 Division Lieutenant Governor, Patrick Melchior also called in to speak about Kiwanis and its goal to help the children of the world one community at a time.

Despite this being the second year of the pandemic and the fact that many businesses and families have less income than usual, the three clubs managed to accumulate USD 10,250 in a few hours. With the sum allotted to the baby food packages and funds raised during previous events, Kiwanis Kralendijk was able to execute the club's signature project and provide baby food and care packages for 85 babies from 72 families. In only a year, the number of families with babies and toddlers needing help have doubled.



The two foundations receive the symbolic checks from the presidents of Kiwanis Club of Kralendijk - right, Rotary and Lions Bonaire, respectively Ricard Nicholson and Edi Carolina



The baby packages were distributed to the families during a special Mother's Day event on May 8, 2021. The parents were invited to collect their package and each package was put together specifically for their child's dietary needs.

A mini flea market was also held where parents could choose from clothes, toys, etc., all free of charge. The mothers also received a small Mother's Day Gift from the club. It was great to see all the mothers and fathers happy with their baby food and care packages.

Kiwanis Kralendijk, Bonaire is determined to continue with more fundraising efforts and service projects to better serve our community.



Governor's SLP Visits in Aruba



Terrific Kids Program at the ST Dominicus School



Colegio Arubano Oranjestad Key Club



Builders Club at Mon Plaisir College



Builders Club St Filomena



Sonrisa Aktion Club



Circle K EPI and University of Aruba



A Police Officer Diligently Serving her Community during Covid-19

Two thousand and twenty (2020) was a year of first for many across the world. The reality of a global pandemic, reshaped life for everyone.

The men and women of law enforcement were not excluded. Protocols and social distancing became the new normal and the duty to enforce rested on the men and women of the Royal Bahamas Police Force. It became necessary to understand the nature of the Covid-19 Virus and how to remain safe as a law enforcement officer to mitigate against contracting the virus while performing duties.

The usual interaction among colleagues shifted to facilitate safe work spaces and sanitary work environment. The pandemic brought about a term that may have not always describe the men and women of the police force; "essential". We became an essential part of the nation's plan to combat this deadly virus. Officers were assigned to areas that were deemed necessary for law enforcement and vacation time was stopped as it was deemed necessary for every officer to be available when needed.

In recognition of the demands that were being placed on the organization and its members, I took the steps necessary to protect myself, my family and even my peace, taking vitamins, getting the needed rest and exercise and maintaining a positive outlook each day.



The first few months were thought to be the most difficult at first as there was an abrupt change in the way we did things as a nation and the organization. However, as cases began to rise we quickly learnt to get on board to safeguard ourselves and others.

Balancing work and home life became the duty of the day when lockdowns began to restrict just how many persons were able to move about the county. Drawing to the close of the year as we saw cases rise within the organization the work environment became even more strained when coworkers started contracting the virus.

Law enforcers and other essential workers were at greater risk of becoming carriers of the virus because of the nature of their work.

The tenet of courage as an officer was now demanded as I found myself having to be tested to determine if I had contracted the virus. After successive negative tests as with the life of a law enforcement officer and many that work in public service, I recognize that my ability to serve and continue to serve flows from a deep-seeded faith.

Life and work through the pandemic has been a testament of a nation that has been spared by God from experiencing the casualties that many nations across the world recorded during this time.

Jestina Rugby
Vice President





Collegio Arybano San Nicolas Key Club



San Nicolas 5 September 2021



Jokoeza Hooplot, President Elect of the Kiwanis Club of Aruba presenting a token to Governor Delores.



Governor with two members of St. Nicholas club



Kiwanis Club of Barbados Central Makes Picnic Tables



In April, the Youth Service committee under the leadership of Distinguished President Philippa Farier of the Kiwanis Club of Barbados Central decided to build 4 picnic tables for donation to Lawrence T Gay Memorial K-Kids Club, Springer Memorial Secondary Builders & Key Club, Barbados Community College Circle K, and St. Lawrence K-Kids Club.

Work on this project commenced in March and was completed in May, under overcast skies which was attributed to the eruption, of the La Soufriere volcano in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

Thanks to these Kiwanians and partners who ensured this project materialized: Distinguished President Winfield Cadogan, President Alison Taylor, K Annette Lazare, LGED Joycelyn Watts Phillips and IPP St. Clair Phillips from the South Club, President Caila Murray and her team of the Barbados Community College Circle K Club, Immediate Past President Naliah Walton Taylor, Chloe Wilkinson Treasurer, Kyle Goodman Samuel Jackman Prescod Institute of Technology and Anderson Collymore Combermere Secondary School with Friends of Kiwanis Mr. Ian Denny and Mr. Adrian Andrews.

A total of two hundred and eight (208) service hours were accumulated.



Paris Brant Host Virtual Valentine's Day Concert



In the fall of 2020, Kiwanis Club of Paris Brant conceived the idea of holding a virtual Valentine's Day Fundraising Concert featuring local musicians and singers. The concert was promoted as a way to combat Covid fatigue on Valentine's Day while we were under lockdown; encouraging viewers to enjoy an entertaining evening with family.

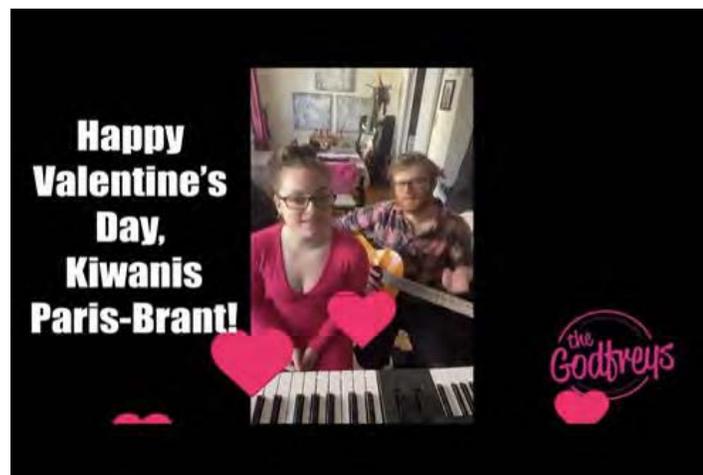
There were 7 performers, with two being fellow Kiwanians. They all gladly performed for free, resulting in a 90 minute concert broadcast simultaneously on Zoom and Facebook live at 6:30 p.m. February 14, 2021 to approximately 70 viewers.

Club President Sheila Moore started off the Concert with a one minute video chat promoting Kiwanis and giving viewers a window into what the organization does, both locally and internationally. Short Kiwanis videos were shown in between performances.

Local politicians were very supportive, with our Member of Provincial Parliament making a 30 second Facebook video with over 2000 views.

Instead of ticket sales, donation was requested by Electronic Funds Transfer and just over \$1200 was collected from the viewers that night, with donations expected from subsequent YouTube views. There were no expenses associated with the event.

The concert can be seen at this link: <https://youtu.be/xHHEAYbie18>



Jamaica Night Virtual District Convention 2021



Online party scenes on Jamaica Night during the District Conference in June 2021.



**BACK TO SCHOOL.
SAFELY SERVING KIDS.**
Youth Protection Week

**OCTOBER
11-15, 2021**

Nothing is more important than the safety of the children Kiwanis serves. That's why Kiwanis International dedicates a week each year to youth protection. In 2021, Youth Protection week is October 11-15, giving Kiwanis clubs the opportunity to conduct important youth protection training and evaluate the club's compliance.

Kiwanis clubs are required to educate members annually on Kiwanis [Youth Protection Policies and Procedures](#). The resources available during Youth Protection Week make it easy for your club to meet this prerequisite.

We appreciate your club's efforts during Youth Protection Week and the commitment you share to protecting youth.

Educate members

Take time during the week to train members on youth protection during a Kiwanis club meeting. Club members also can use the online resources to complete the training on their own. These resources are available at [Kiwanis.org/youthprotection](https://www.kiwanis.org/youthprotection)



Kiwanis Club Pride of Barbados partners with its SLP for Hospital Donation



Pictured from left to right: St. Matthew's K Kids Advisor DP Dianne Skeete, President Shari Morris of Kiwanis Club Pride of Barbados, Gaye Howell of Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Dr. Cheryl Rock, Principal of The Derrick Smith Technical and Vocational School and The Aktion Club of Barbados Faculty Advisor Nichola Gordon

Kiwanis Club Pride of Barbados, again partnered with their Service Leadership Programme to impact the community. St. Matthew's K-Kids and The Aktion Club of Barbados along with Kiwanis Club Pride of Barbados collected books, art and craft instruments, puzzles, games and fun activities. These items were donated in April to the philanthropy department at The Queen Elizabeth Hospital. These items will be shared among the hospital's paediatric ward and the various Covid-19 facilities on the island.

This is the third joint venture for the three clubs in the past six months. The other two were a feeding for the homeless and a clothing drive for the Salvation Army. The pandemic has not slowed this trio down and surely reinforces that we truly are stronger in numbers. The joy of giving is greater as the clubs work as a team with the same goal of making a positive impact where it is needed.



Charter member of the Kiwanis Aktion Club of Toronto, Lorraine, volunteering at the 2021 Staples for Education campaign. She has been volunteering since 2008.

Over 120 hours were spent collecting funds for educational supplies.

Kiwanis joins the beautification of Kingston city with Mural



The Kiwanis Club of New Kingston 2019-2020 Major project, titled "Recreating a Beautiful Downtown Kingston located at Mark Lane, Kingston

When Cedric Vise Douglas, a talented and respected artist with Jamaican roots, planned a vacation to Jamaica he wanted to find a suitable spot to propose to his partner, Julia. He also expressed an interest in painting a mural as a gift to the children of Jamaica.

His aunt, Donna Elliott, with whom he discussed the idea made contact with her cousin who happens to be a Distinguished President of the Kiwanis Club of New Kingston, Claudette Carter.

Then president of the Club, Adella Campbell was sold on the idea when Claudette mentioned it to her and she decided to take up the offer and make it the club's major project. She was enthusiastic about collaborating with Cedric and Julia on its execution.

Kiwanian Eleanor Jones provided information about Kingston Creative, a nonprofit organization that uses art and culture for social and economic transformation in the Downtown area and they provided guidance on the project working closely with the project leader, Distinguished Lieutenant Governor, Beverly Thompson.

Cedric's travel plans were stymied by the COVID-19 but he had already shipped the paint and willingly provided

guidance to faculty and students of the Edna Manley College, who executed the mural on their behalf.

Chase Fund also came on board and provided funding in the form of scholarships to the Edna Manley College students.



From left: Dr Adella Campbell, distinguished past president, Kiwanis Club of Kingston; Latoya Aquart-Foster project manager, CHASE Fund; Danielle Shaw, artiste and student of Edna Manley College of the Visual and Performing Arts; Robert Hill, town clerk; Miriam Hinds-Smith, dean at Edna Manley College; and Doris Gross director and art district lead, at launch the Kiwanis Club of Kingston's downtown beautification project at the corner of Mark Lane and Harbour Street, on June 12.

Nicholas Nunes photographer

Cedric eventually did a mural on Washington Street in Roxbury, Boston titled Divine Heritage for Boston Medical and HATCH. Here he proposed to Julia who had to paint her answer. He is looking forward to visiting Jamaica and the mural site at the corner of Mark Lane and Harbour Street.



Adieu, Goodbye, Bon Voyage, Sayonara!



It's always hard to step away from something that we love, but the time has come. After 4 years as District Chair for Membership Growth & Retention, I want to thank our District Board members and the Governor for their support of our Committee as I complete my tenure.

Together we have opened more than 60 Kiwanis Clubs in our District these past 4 years since 2017-18. We have a lot to be thankful and proud about. We are the leading District in North America for growth, as well as the youngest District with the highest percentage of women in our Clubs!

Many LG's and Divisions in our District have strengthened their Clubs by opening new clubs and adding new members through membership recruitment, engagement and service projects.

I want to thank the past 4 Governors' who have supported our Committee as each of them have been recognized as Distinguished by Kiwanis International for our achievements in membership growth and club opening.

As well, my sincere thanks and gratitude to our Regional Vice Chairs, PG Chuck McIlravey, PDT Jacques Brault, DG Robert Moo Young and DLG Giantonio Muller for their strong support and activism in strengthening their Regions. I also wish to recognize past Regional Vice Chairs DLG Jennifer Hinkson, PG Suzanne Lemak and PLG Lenora Blackmore for their service to our Committee.

I wish incoming District Chair KIPT Gary Levine the very best of continued success in growing and strengthening our great District.

PG Phil Rossy

2020-21 CLUB OPENINGS

YEAR-TO-DATE UPDATE - AUGUST 2021

<u>CLUBS OPENED YEAR-TO-DATE</u>	<u>START #'S</u>
1. DARLISTON SUPREME – DIVISION 25	25
2. DIVISION 25 ONLINE – DIVISION 25	25
3. OUTAMENI WESTERN – DIVISION 25	20
4. YP CURACAO – DIVISION 26	20
5. BARBADOS BENEVOLENCE – DIVISION 27	21
6. EWARTON PREMIER BUILDERS – DIVISION 23WEST	18
7. ANTIGUA TT0 – DIVISION 27	16
8. YOUNG PROFESSIONALS TOBAGO – DIVISION 26	40
9. PETROLIA – DIVISION 3	17
10. SUD DE LA MARTINIQUE – DIVISION 27A	30
11. ESTEEM BUILDERS TRINIDAD – DIVISION 26	23
12. ROYAL LUIDAS VALE – DIVISION 23WEST	23
13. PORT STANLEY – DIVISION 4	22
14. CARIBBEAN EMERGING LEADERS – DIV 23C	15
15. KINGSTOWN, SVG – DIV 27	21
16. MONTEGO WEST VILLAGE – DIV 25	22
17. YOUNG PIONEERS JAMAICA ONLINE – DIV 23E	27
18. ESA PROFESSIONALS – DIV 23E	19
19. BARBADOS IN ACTION – BRB – DIV 27	16
20. 23E PROFESSIONALS ST. ANDREW– DIV 23	31
21. CORNWALL COURT/PORTOBELLO – DIV 25	22
22. ST. VINCENT & GRENADINES – DIV 27	17
23. BLACKSTONEDGE – DIV 23WEST	16
24. HARBOUR ISLAND - DIVISION 22	31
25. DIVERSE PROFESSIONALS ST. ANN JAM – DIV 24	16
26. DYNAMIC YOUNG LEADERS JA ONLINE – DIV 23WEST	15
TOTAL	= 568



Governor out and about at KI Convention in Salt Lake City



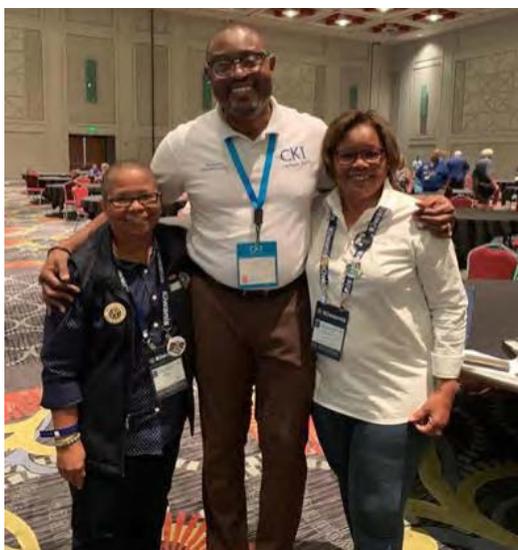
Governor Delores, 4th from right at the Education & Leadership Conference in Salt Lake with KI President Arthur Riley and the 2020-2021 Class of Governors.



Governor Delores with colleagues at the Kiwanis Amplify Capstone Session



From left DG Robert Moo Young, Governor Delores and DG Robert Spellen at the Education & Leadership Conference in Salt Lake City.



From right, KI Trustee Designate, Circle K District Administrator Leo Williams and Governor Delores



Governor Delores with Kiwanis International Trustee Designate Hope Markes at the Education & Leadership Conference in Salt Lake City.



Health, Sport and Food

Despite Covid 19, the Kiwanis club of Basse Terre, Division 27 C Guadeloupe, carried out its "Health, Sport and Food" project, which has made a difference in the lives of 25 children.

At the initiative, Mrs. Bertin Maryse, DPLG and Treasurer of the club presented equipment to the 25 students who were enrolled in elementary course 2, at the Gérard Lauriette school in Trois Rivières for the next school year.

Their teacher and president elect of the club, Mrs. Marie Josée Baltyde, had sensitized them and their parents throughout the current school year on the objectives, values and service activities carried out by Kiwanis.

The award ceremony was presided over by the certified trainer of the Division, Past Trustee of the EC&C District, Nicole Plantier. Also, present was Line Carriere, member of the committee in charge of youth.

The students are proud to have improved their behavior and academic performance and expressed their satisfaction by explaining the lessons learned.

As a token of thanks, they recited a poem that they had composed for the occasion.

Given the success, the project will be extended to the entire school community in 2021-2022.



Service Leadership Awarded Scholarship



The Kiwanis Club of Nassau A.M. awarded scholarships to seven (7) outstanding students of the Service Leadership Program on July 5.

The winners were chosen by a Selection Committee which reviewed each portfolio that met the criteria of academic achievement and community service.

Scholarship recipients include:

- ◆ K Kids - Shadanae Thompson, Breana Chisholm
- ◆ Builders Club - Aliah Johnson, Danielle McCoy, Christopher Edwards
- ◆ Key Club - Rolanda Knowles, Jaydon Bain

“Being a product of the Student Leadership Program was a way to pay it forward.

During my years as Key Club President, key individuals ensured that I was afforded every opportunity to grow both in service and in self. My goal as President was to ensure students remained focus, had something to build towards, and be inspired to continue their journey with our organization. This scholarship fund was my ultimate goal in my administrative year. It was not easy but God favored us. We not only met our goal, but we’ve shattered every goal set before us.

I am humbled but grateful to our club and those that locked arms with us to see it through”, said Kiwanis Club President D’Andrea Davis.

During the year, the Club held various fundraisers, including its annual steak out and scholarship fund raffle, which were earmarked to provide the scholarships which ranged from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00. A special thanks are extended to our corporate sponsors and individuals who made substantial donations to assist us in achieving our goal.

KCNAM encourages its SLP students to continue to put their best foot forward in everything that they set their minds to do and remains committed to our mission of “Serving the children of the world.”



Key Clubbers Honoured and Awarded Scholarship



Four (4) graduates from Great Lakes Secondary School (GLSS), Sarnia, Ontario were honoured on June 29 by Dennis Loucks, Service Leadership Program Coordinator, Kiwanis Club of Sarnia-Lambton Golden K.

Hannah George, president of GLSS Key Club was awarded the Kiwanis Club of Sarnia-Lambton Golden K 2021 Scholarship (\$1,000) and the Mel Osborne Fellow Youth Scholarship (\$500). Hannah will study Biology at the University of Western Ontario.

Evelyn Ethier, member of the Key Club for two years, was awarded the Student Leadership Award

(1000) and the Fern Noel Kiwanis Service Leadership Award (\$500). The Fern Noel leadership award was presented by Fern Noel. Evelyn will study Criminal Psychology at the University of Guelph.

Two deserving high school graduates Emilee Dagg and Gavin Yap, identified by GLSS Student Services Coordinator, Karen L'Heureux, were awarded Student Leadership Awards of \$1000 each. Emily will be studying English and Cultural Studies at the University of Western Ontario and Gavin Engineering at the University of Western Ontario.



Cocoa in all its Splendour!

In June Kiwanis club Le Flamboyant hosted Cocoa day, one of LG Daniel MAIGNAN's projects. The objective was for students to discover, in a playful way, the history of cocoa and the manipulation of the different forms of chocolate. The activities included:

- Chocolate processing with the Lycée Professionnel Agricole du Robert,
- Planting cocoa trees with an arborist,
- Reading of a tale about cocoa by members of the club Le Flamboyant,
- Quiz around the tale with supervisors and a member,
- Preparation of traditional hot chocolate,

Setting up a buffet with different confectionery and butter breads to taste during the snack, closing activity of the day.

It was a wonderful day around cocoa with children who were curious, attentive and happy to be at the heart of an event organized for them and with them.



**STOP DREAMING.
START DOING.**



Governor's Visit to Division 26



Governor Delores at 3rd left with members of the Kiwanis Club of Aruba after their meeting at Hyatt Place Aruba Hotel during her visit. Beside her is Governor Elect Anthony Haile.



Kiwanis Club of Young Professionals Aruba



Kiwanis Club of Palm Beach Aruba



Kiwanis Club of St. Nicholas



KIWANIS ' VISION AND MISSION IS THE SAME AS THE WEVER-CROES CABINET



On 7 September 2021, Prime Minister Evelyn Wever-Croes received Dr Dolores Lewis and members of the Kiwanis Division 26 for a courtesy call. Kiwanis is an international organization that helps communities in different areas. For more than a century, Kiwanis has provided to children, the opportunity to learn, experience, dream, grow, win, and thrive.

The mission of Kiwanis is to empower communities to make a permanent difference in the lives of children. The vision of Kiwanis is to make a positive impact in communities around the world so that one day all communities will believe in them, care for them and provide the support they need for a bright future.



Prime Minister Wever-Croes noted that the mission and vision of Kiwanis is the same as the mission and vision of her Cabinet and the Principality of Aruba. She said “the development of our country that depends on strong families, for stability, the children must be taught norm and sound values in the home and in the community so they can grow and flourish. Social management of a country is of paramount importance, and it is stimula that every citizen and every family to this in Aruba to feel his own good.”

Principality has as its task, to help the most vulnerable families, that are not able to create all the conditions optimal for the children and protect the vulnerable members of the family and community.

Prime Minister Evelyn Wever-Croes thanked Governor Delores for sharing Kiwanis mission and vision and exchanging points of view which is very important for our children and families.

NB: Article appeared in the 24Ora.com on 7 September 2021 in Papiamentu language. Article was translation via Google translator and edited.



Governor Delores during her courtesy call on the Governor of Aruba, His Excellency Alfonso Boekhoudt

Hybrid Divisional Council Meeting (DCM) at Hyatt Place Aruba Airport.



Governor Delores (centre) visited with the San Nicolas Kiwanis Club which was chartered in January 2020. From left are Governor Designate Anthony Haile, Distinguished Governor Robert Spellman, Lieutenant Governor Patrick Melchoir and guest speaker Dr. Gregory Richardson.



Lieutenant Governor Patrick Melchoir addressed the 8 new Kiwanians who were inducted at the DCM.





Kiwaniis Key Leader Administrator Update – July 1, 2021

Good day Fellow Kiwanians:

As District Coordinator for the EC&C Key Leader Program, it is my responsibility to ensure that this program functions safely at all sites with the full understanding by Site Coordinators of all COVID precautions required during this most difficult time. As a result of a joint meeting of most of the site Coordinators for the camps in Eastern Canada and the Caribbean, it was decided by the group that most camps would not take place this fall. This is primarily due to 2 factors –

- The uncertain future in dealing with COVID-19. We do not want to risk any student's or adult chaperone's health in attendance.
- Most Kiwanis Clubs support the program thru donations to pay for the attendees. Due to the reduced ability for most clubs to conduct meaningful fundraising over this past year, we asked ourselves what it viable from an accounting point of view to attempt to have camps. Most agreed that this was not viable.

Camps in the Maritime provinces have also agreed, with the exception of The Key Leader Bayside camp which has not yet made a final decision.

We know that missing 2 years of camp is going to cause a huge disruption in the meaningful development of our youth. All site coordinators are aware that they are going to have to step up their marketing in the early start of our 2021-2022 Kiwanis year so that hopefully, we can get excitement and interest built up for attendance at the camps in 2022.

Please remember to include support for the Key Leader Camp in your 2021-2022 budget deliberations over the summer planning period.

I sincerely wish to thank all clubs that have supported the Key Leader Program in the past and hopefully, will do so in the future.

Yours in Kiwanis Service,
Sheila Donald – Administrator
Key Leader for Eastern Canada and Caribbean District



WHAT CAN YOU DO IN ONE DAY?

Every year, Kiwanis club members around the world gather on the fourth Saturday in October for Kiwanis One Day. It's a day set aside for clubs to work together to better their communities — and to invite friends and family to join them.

This year, Kiwanis One Day will be October 23, 2021. As many clubs return to active service, be sure your club follows local guidelines and restrictions for gathering.

An additional initiative this year is Celebrate Community, an opportunity to participate in service projects with other volunteer organizations, including Lions Clubs International, Optimist International and Rotary International. Celebrate Community spans the week of October 10-16. This joint effort encourages clubs to work together to have a greater impact on their communities. All clubs in the Kiwanis family are encouraged to participate. More information and suggested projects can be found at [kiwanis.org/celebratecommunity](https://www.kiwanis.org/celebratecommunity).

For clubs that want to team up with other members of the Kiwanis family, One Day remains a perfect opportunity. Reach out to other Kiwanis family clubs: Aktion Club, Circle K International, Key Club, K-Kids and/or Builders Club. Popular projects for One Day include park cleanup, playground maintenance and painting local shelters.

One Day is an ideal way to introduce your family, friends and colleagues to Kiwanis. When you show potential members a project that helps kids, you engage them in the Kiwanis mission. After One Day, invite your guests to your club's in-person or online meeting. And be sure to share your One Day projects on your social media channels. Use the #OneDay hashtag if you are sharing a Kiwanis One Day project.





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 at the EC&C Virtual Convention May 15, 2021. See you there!*

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