

CAYMAN KIWANIS CONNECT



A WORD OF GRATITUDE FROM OUR PRESIDENT





Dear Kiwanis Family and Friends,

I'm absolutely thrilled to share the incredible journey we've been on together these past months. From empowering young leaders to fostering community unity, our achievements have been nothing short of extraordinary.

I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering support. Your dedication has been the driving force behind our success, and I am truly thankful for the opportunity to work alongside such an amazing team.

As we continue to move forward, let's carry this momentum forward and continue making a positive impact in our community.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Island Heritage Charity Drive on May 15, our Pancake Breakfast on May 25 at Sunset House and the Breakfast for Dinner Fundraiser on June 8 at Grand Cayman Marriott Resort.

Thank you all for your incredible support and commitment.

With warm regards,

Ibimitomi Asher Ogbe

President, Kiwanis Club of Grand Cayman

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

THE 42ND ANNUAL KIWANIS CLUB BIKEATHON

The 42nd Annual Kiwanis Club Bikeathon, held on February 18, 2024, drew over 180 participants, celebrating health, endurance, and community. Supported by local businesses including GraceKennedy Money Services Ltd (Western Union), Proven Wealth, Uncle Bill's, Lemmie's Trucking, Majestic Tours, Citco Cayman, Lobster Pot, Cayman Islands Water Authority, and Kirk Free Port, this event exemplified community involvement. Riders aged 9 to 62 showcased the inclusivity of Kiwanis events. Hon. Isaac Rankine, MP and Minister for Youth, Sports & Heritage, kicked off the ride and celebrated with participants. The 22km route from Blow Holes in East End to Spotts Dock in Savannah highlighted the Island's beauty and the Club's dedication to a healthy lifestyle and community service.

Below are some photographs of the event! **®** Kiwanis AYMAN ISLANDS WATER AUTHO

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EXPANSIVE FUNDRAISING AND EMPOWERING YOUNG LEADERS

The month of March saw the Kiwanis Club raising over \$11,000 to support its Service Leadership Programs (SLPs). This substantial effort enabled 73 students and 7 Supervisors from various Key Clubs including St. Ignatius, Triple C, and Cayman Academy to attend the highly esteemed Key Club District Convention (DCON) in Daytona Beach, Florida. These funds also support projects and initiatives of our Builders Club at Cayman Academy and a Circle K International Club at the University College of the Cayman Islands, underscoring the Club's dedication to developing leadership skills across multiple age groups.

BOOK MOBILE, CLOTHES DRIVE AND MEMBERSHIP INAUGURATION:

Other notable achievements of the club in the month of march were the recommencement of the Book Mobile project where our Mobile Library is stored at the Sharon (Marie) Martin Primary School, located in George Town. Join us Every Thursday from noon to 1p.m. as we read with the children.

Additionally, the Kiwanians of Grand Cayman, donated clothing items to the Cayman Islands Crisis Center. Vouchers were also given and these go a long way in supporting and clothing the youths in the community. Of note, most of the clothes donated were corporate clothes as these are channeled towards helping our youths prepare for the workplace environment and seamlessly integrate into the work force.

The Club also welcomed new members this month with the inauguration of 14 new members to the Kiwanis Club of Grand Cayman family.



WELCOME ABOARD! ENJOY THE RIDE!



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CELEBRATING AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH -ILLUMINATING NEURODIVERSITY



To support and promote **Autism Awareness Month**, the Kiwanis Club partnered with Camana Bay to host an enlightening display of multicolored lights throughout the area. This initiative aimed to foster greater understanding and acceptance of neurodiversity, with each colour representing the vibrant spectrum of individuals with autism. The display was designed not only to educate but also to create a supportive environment that recognizes and celebrates the unique talents and abilities of all individuals.

Additionally, we successfully executed two community engagement initiatives aimed at raising autism awareness across our island. Kiwanians were present at various Foster's locations distributing ribbons and wristbands for the cause. These events took place on April 12 at Foster's Airport and Camana Bay.



WE WANT JOIN US AT THE KIWANIS **CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN! WE'RE ON A MISSION TO** MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND WE NEED YOUR HELP! BY JOINING OUR CLUB, YOU'LL BE PART OF A **PASSIONATE TEAM DEDICATED TO SERVING** OTHERS AND CREATING **POSITIVE CHANGE. DON'T** MISS OUT ON THIS **OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT.** JOIN US TODAY! **EMAIL: INFO@KIWANIS.KY**

LOOKING AHEAD

As the Kiwanis Club of Grand Cayman looks ahead, it remains dedicated to fostering community involvement through upcoming events. These events are vital for funding future initiatives and maintaining the Club's robust engagement in community development.

UPCOMING EVENTS

island Heritage Charity Drive May 15

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser May 25, Sunset House

Breakfast for Dinner Fundraiser
June 8, Grand Cayman Marriott Resort

Cayman Islands Crisis Center Clean Up and Clothes Drive - July 27

Club Elections - TBD

Book Mobile - Every Thursday at the Sharon (Marie) Martin Primary School formerly George Town Primary School







ABOUT KIWANIS CLUB OF GRAND CAYMAN

The Kiwanis Club of Grand Cayman is dedicated to improving the lives of children and young adults through service and leadership. Active in the Cayman Islands for many years, the Club continues to be a beacon of hope and action, working tirelessly to create opportunities for personal and community advancement. By investing in our youth and engaging the community, the Kiwanis Club of Grand Cayman is helping to shape a brighter, more inclusive future.

For more information, to participate in upcoming events, or to join our efforts, please visit our website or contact us via email. Email: president@kiwanis.ky | info@kiwanis.ky Website: www.kiwanis.ky