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**SPELLING BEE 2006**

The Rotary Club of Road Town in association with the Department of Education and Cable & Wireless, announced their plans to co-sponsor the National Spelling Bee for yet another year... The competition was part of Education Week which begins this Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> through March 18<sup>th</sup> with the theme "Literacy the Foundation for Learning".

During a weekly Rotary meeting on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> February, Chief Executive of Cable & Wireless Mr. Vance Lewis presented Mr. Louis Potter and Mr. Richard Parsons members of the club with a check in the amount of \$2,000. The Spelling Bee was held at the Sir Rupert Briercliffe Hall in Road Town on Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup> and ended with a nine round finally which aired on local radio stations on Wednesday March 8<sup>th</sup>.

The competition was comprised of two divisions: one for primary school children and the other for high school children. The Althea Scatliffe Primary School won the contest on Tuesday night and the Bregado Flax Educational Center won for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in the secondary division. The winners were awarded trophies and will also receive a cash prize.

On the night of the finals Cable & Wireless Chief Executive Mr. Vance Lewis made comments saying, "Fostering a learning culture in the BVI incorporates everyone, at every level and at every age and circumstance. If we continue with our commitment to foster such an atmosphere, we will indeed ensure that we instill ambition amongst all of our youth." Mr. Lewis went on to say how proud he was of the Spelling Bee's success and this was one of the best ways to ensure the continued preparation of our youth as they travel the road to educational success.

Past President of the Rotary Club of Road Town Mr. Rodney Herbert thanked Mr. Lewis and Cable & Wireless for their commitment and willingness to meet the need for the furtherance of the spelling bee.

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