



# The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia "The Spoke"

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## Weekly Duties

### 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?

	July 17	July 24	July 31
<b>Meeting</b>	Fellowship and SLHTA presentation	Speaker Water resources	Vocational talk Mark Ozawa
<b>Greeters</b>	Azmina Birgitta	Bradley Charles	Bobby Cyril
<b>Prize</b>	Bert	Carole	Chris
If you can't make it as above, please tell Dir. Joanna ASAP!			



### Birthdays in July

**Chester Hinkson**  
**Peter Barnard**

**July 9**  
**July 23**

### Board 2015-16

<i>President</i>	<i>Timothy James</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>PP Albert Daniel PHF</i>
<i>President Elect</i>	<i>Selma St. Prix</i>
<i>Immediate PP</i>	<i>PP Chester Hinkson</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Selma St. Prix</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>PP Robert "Bobby" Frederick PHF</i>
<i>Sergeant at Arms:</i>	<i>PP Carole Jn Marie PHF</i>

### Directors

<b>Club Administration:</b>	Joanna Charles
<b>Community Service</b>	Steve Johnny
<b>Vocational Service</b>	Andre Cherebin PHF
<b>International Service</b>	PP Leathon Khan PHF
<b>Membership Service</b>	PP Tim Moffat PHF
<b>Youth Service:</b>	GINELLE NELSON
<b>Rotary Foundation:</b>	PP Malcolm Charkles, PHF

### District responsibilities

Asst. District Governor	PP Konrad F Wagner PHF
District Advisor (TRF) Major Gifts	PAG Malcolm Charles PHF
Vice Chair IFRM D7020 & D7030	PAG Malcolm Charles PHF



## Club Meeting - July 10, 2015

This was a business meeting

### Meeting statistics

Attendance:

26 Rotarians 67%

2 visiting Rotarian

5 guests

Pres. Timothy J. chaired the meeting

Acting Serge Chester raised \$ 115.34

The raffle earned \$ 185.00



### Save the date

- Thursday August 6, 2015 Club Assembly, venue to be confirmed
- August 9-16, 2015 Dunnottar School visit to Martinique in cooperation with the Rotary Club of Lamentin
- Rotary Calabashers Concert, Saturday December 5, 2015, National Cultural Centre
- Visit of DG Milton December 14-16, 2015
- Looking ahead, August is Membership and New Club Development Month

### Visitors



VR June Snowden  
England



VR Lisle Chase  
RC Gros Islet



June Archibald  
g. o. VR June



Antonia Joseph  
g. o. Rot Mary



Jolita & Mirwin Anthony  
g. o. Rot Mary



Benjamin Ross  
g.o. PP Doddy

### and guests at the meeting

Pres. Tim J. called the meeting to order in a timely fashion and started with the Directors Reports



#### Steve Johnny - Dir. Community Service:

His committee had the first meeting and discussed the following:

- A speech program at the Dunnottar school
- Continuing work on the Poverty Reduction Project, awaiting venue approval from the Castries Town Council
- Annual Rotary Youth Camp in cooperation with the RSLP, dates to be confirmed
- Annual Christmas hamper distribution, dates to be confirmed
- Annual Children Christmas party, date and school to be confirmed
- Annual Dunnottar School lunch, date to be confirmed
- 3rd quarterly luncheon for the homeless at Town Hall on Saturday August 1, 2015



#### Ginelle Nelson - Dir. Youth Services/New Generation:

Her committee met and discussed the following:

- The Rotaract Club and the 4 Interact clubs
- The Interact Clubs at SJC and SMC are strong and successful
- The Interact Club at Sir Ira Simmons has challenges and she has met with teachers at the school
- The Interact Club at CCSS has a pinning ceremony scheduled for the start of the new school year.
- The Rotaract Club is very strong and has a close relationship with Rotary.
- The Rotaract Clubs are in the process of finalizing plans for the hosting of Rotaract District Conference scheduled for May 2016.
- Ginelle pledged Rotary Club of Saint Lucia's assistance for the event
- The committee is planning a joint Interact Fellowship for November during World Interact Week.



**Timothy Moffat - Dir. Club Membership:**

His committee had the first meeting and discussed the following:

- The committee had 100% attendance and intends to be very active this Rotary year.
- How to improve the orientation process. With possibly a “refresher” for recently joined members
- Educate Rotarians on attendance responsibilities and make ups
- Ensure Rotaract and Interact participation in Rotary family activities
- Undertake efforts to get member to use the Rotary International website
- Follow up on the survey undertaken by last year’s Membership Director or possibly undertake a new survey again.
- Add in house training to Rotary lunches done by Rotarians.  
I.e. Paul Harris information, talk on other Rotarians etc.
- Determine how many Rotarians have signed up to my Rotary.
- Schedule members for Rotaract and Interact meeting attendance
- Circulate a classification list to assist in identifying potential new members
- Produce a ne membership directory



**Malcolm Charles -Dir. The Rotary Foundation:**

His committee met “electronically”

- He gave a short talk on what TRF is all about.
- How it is the charitable arm of Rotary and our charity
- Ways available to contribute to the general fund as well as Polio Plus
- Last year the club contributed US\$ 6,050 to TRF.
- This years goal made up from club and EREY donations is anticipated to be US\$ 6,200



**Rudolph “Doddy” Francis - Dir. Public Relations**

- He asked PP Konrad for photos from the handing over ceremony to be used for PR.



**Robert “Bobby” Frederick - Treasurer:**

- He announced that financial management is not just the backbone of the club. It is also the heart and the blood supply of the club.
- He will this Rotary year always mail the monthly account statement to members
- He proceeded to update on the finances:
  - ~ The club is at this time very solvent
  - ~ The budgets for 2015-16 are still pending.
  - ~ There should be sufficient cash to carry on with all regular club programs
  - ~ He took credit for having the accounts for the previous year ready so early. This was most appreciated
    - In the last Rotary year the expenditures exceeded revenues slightly.
- This was as a result of the cancellation of the annual Calabashers pre Christmas concert.
- It will not affect the viability of the charity projects this Rotary year
- The biggest fundraising event was the annual Rotary Wine & Cheese Fiesta
- Accounts specifics:
  - ~ Receivables from members are lower than a year ago
  - ~ July will see a spike in charges due to the handover dinner and the semi annual dues
  - ~ He appealed to members to settle their balances by Friday July 17, 2015
  - ~ The largest outstanding payable is from the handover dinner.
- ~ With the assistance of Dir. Andre he plans on completing the audit promptly
- ~ So look out for the account statement via e-mail

PP Brad inquired about membership cards? The question was referred to Sec. Selma who will look into the viability of once again produce membership cards. Possibly for a nominal fee.



**Andre Cherebin - Dir. Vocational Service:**

- He used the opportunity to call out the names of his committee members.
- This Rotary year the Vocational Awards for SALCC will be presented again
- He is planning on reintroducing vocational visits to local businesses
- In order to prepare for the annual Community Service Award he invited members to nominate deserving citizens for consideration by his committee

**Joanna Charles - Dir. Club Administration:**

Dir. Joanna was off island. Pres. Tim. J. announced her plans including duty roster and calendar of activities will be presented shortly. A committee meeting will be scheduled.



Pres. Tim J. had also asked PP Konrad to say a few words as Assistant District Governor



He started by extending greetings from District Governor Milton Innis, a PP of the Rotary Club of Barbados West and member of the Paul Harris Society.

He urged the club to focus on updating they on-line presence this Rotary year by

- completing all on-line club records,
- including goals - only 50% of clubs in the district have to date entered their goals
  - many clubs just not reporting on-line, let the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia not be one of them.
- The Presidential citation on-line tools will be key to receiving it important there are for example the Rotary showcase or Rotary ideas use Rotary club central to set and meet membership goals

The District Governor’s focus for the year is on:

1. Foundation, continue to support of TRF through Club and EREY contributions
2. Membership, stay engaged, achieve a net gain of 2 members, get to knows Rotarians at home and away
3. Public Relations, continue tell the Rotary story, always wear your pin, there can never be too much publicity
4. Rotaract & Interact, you must bring them closer, the club must take responsibility for the clubs you form, include them in activities, go there and continue to bridge the gap
5. Training, the district will have Foundation and membership seminars during this Rotary year. Please participate and support them actively when they are offered use [www.Rotary.org](http://www.Rotary.org) to keep up on matters relating Rotary - because Rotary matters
6. Dyslexia. Dyslexia is a learning disorder that often goes undetected through lack of knowledge or expertise. Sometimes if it is recognized, there are those who cannot afford to get help, thereby leaving them at a disadvantage. A disadvantage for life.



ADG Konrad relayed a personal story relating to Dyslexia

DG Milton would like Clubs to focus on 3 opportunities relating top Dyslexia:

- (a) bringing awareness to the public at large by sensitizing them to what to be aware of, what resources exist to test and teach and how to access them.
- (b) sponsoring of a child for an assessment and/or a series of lessons;
- (c) sponsoring of a teacher to become trained in special education, assessment or testing

ADG Konrad suggested to remember the ECGDC Early Childhood Guidance and Development Centre for a suitable partnership initiative. The Director, Dr. Kim Gardner is a friend of the Rotary club. The club has in the past sometimes missed the DGs special initiative. Let this year not be one of these years.

And in concluding he announced the District Governor’s official visit for December 14-16, 2015



IPP Chester used the opportunity to inquire about the status of the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia South. ADG Konrad gave a brief update on the status of that club and confirmed that they have met RI required semi annual payments and are still an active Rotary club. Pres. Aleric is making another attempt to identify members via fellowship. PP Tim J. advised that as long as a club is financial with RI it is up to that club to remain active. Our responsibility is to support all efforts where practical.

After the meeting several members joined IPP Chester for fellowship at his residence. Look out for pictures in next week’s Spoke.



