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ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH



VISION: "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves."



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY MONTH



Fellow Rotarians,

During the month of October we celebrated World Polio Day on October 24th. While many of us in St. Lucia may not have come face to face with the disastrous impact of Polio, it is very much present in the world today and a threat not to be taken lightly.

Polio is a disabling and life-threatening disease caused by the poliovirus and spreads from person to person and can infect a person's spinal cord, causing paralysis. This highly infectious disease mainly affects children under 5 years of age. While there has been tremendous progress made to eradicate Polio around the world, thanks to the fund-raising efforts of Rotary and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, there has been the reemergence of Polio strains in a number of countries around the world, suggesting therefore that the battle is far from over.

As Rotarians, we must continue to play our part by supporting Rotary Foundation fund raising efforts through the Polio Fund and helping raise awareness.

On October 23, the entire Rotary Family came together for a family fun day and to raise awareness of the fight to ending Polio worldwide ahead of World Polio Day on October 24th. This gathering of Rotarians, Rotaractors and Interactors was a first of its kind, at least in a very long time and it really caused us to Imagine Rotary and all the great things we can accomplish when we put our hearts, hands and minds together. Our formation of "END POLIO" was as exciting as it was serious- with a profound message by the entire Rotary Family in St. Lucia with an aerial capture for the world see.

Our Interactors continued with the creation of bumper stickers with the "END POLIO" message, something we should all be proud of. Now that World Polio Day is behind us, I trust the message will not be lost but will continue to reverberate until we have finally seen the end of this threat.

A Common Rotary Grace

Oh Lord 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.

THE 2022/23 BOARD



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ANGELA COLEBY

AG/PP LEATHON KHAN



EDITOR'S MESSAGE

by Angela Coleby

October was a busy month, as well as being the Rotary Economic and Community Development Month, World Polio Day on October 24th and our Family Fun Day Event.

Unemployment and underemployment, along with a lack of economic opportunity, appropriate training, and social services, lie at the core of poverty.

Rotarians worldwide are determined to reduce poverty through projects that deliver equipment, vocational training, and work to strengthen local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, from impoverished communities.

We have much to do in Saint Lucia.

October had very interesting speakers at our Friday meetings looking at both sides of Saint Lucia adopting the CCJ as the final court of appeal. This would make a bumper issue of the Spoke alone, so the editor is leaving you to debate this amongst yourselves during a Friday Lime!

THE FOUR WAY TEST

Of The Things We Think, Say And Do:

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it built goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Feel free to submit your ideas and suggestions to acoleby@gmail.com

If you want the Spoke, feed the Spoke.





ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Rotary and WHO's World Polio Day 2022 and Beyond event in Geneva, Switzerland, brought health experts together to share updates, exchange ideas

Rotary also released the World Polio Day 2022 Global Update video, which features other global health experts. They underscored the importance of vaccinations as the only sure protection against polio and other vaccine-preventable diseases.

Rotary members, Ukraine Friends deliver ambulances to Ukrainian officials

A convoy of nearly 40 ambulances wound its way from Slovakia, around mountains and through roadblocks, military checkpoints, and torrential rain to arrive in Kyiv, bringing the critically needed vehicles to Ukrainian government officials.

The US\$600,000 initiative was the first joint project between Rotary and Ukraine Friends, which agreed in July to collaborate to provide resources, organize logistics, and distribute funds for high-impact projects that help Ukrainians affected by the war with Russia. Each organization donated US\$300,000 to get the ambulances, and Rotary districts in Ukraine and Slovakia coordinated the delivery. Rotary's funding came from a Rotary Foundation disaster response grant.

ROTARY DISTRICT 7030 NEWS

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION IN ROTARY

Rotary, Rotaract and Interact members are taking action to make their clubs and communities more diverse, equitable, and inclusive.

A primary element in these values is Rotary's DEI code of conduct which reflects our core values and provides a supportive framework for how all members of the Rotary family can create and maintain an environment that is collaborative, positive, and healthy for everyone.

To learn more about Rotary's commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, visit

<https://rotary.org/DEI>

and explore a wide range of informational and learning resources for members and clubs



FAMILY FUN DAY

A fun day was had by all at Pigeon Point with a gathering of Rotary club members, Roteractors, Interactors and their families. We ate, drank, laughed and some of us played games. Everyone got together to spell out the letters to "End Polio".

A big round of applause goes to the hard working committee for organizing this and Anthony Serieux for taking the End Polio photograph with his drone.





FAMILY FUN DAY





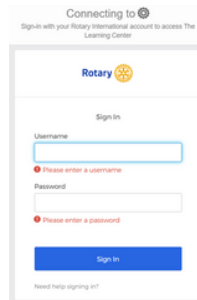
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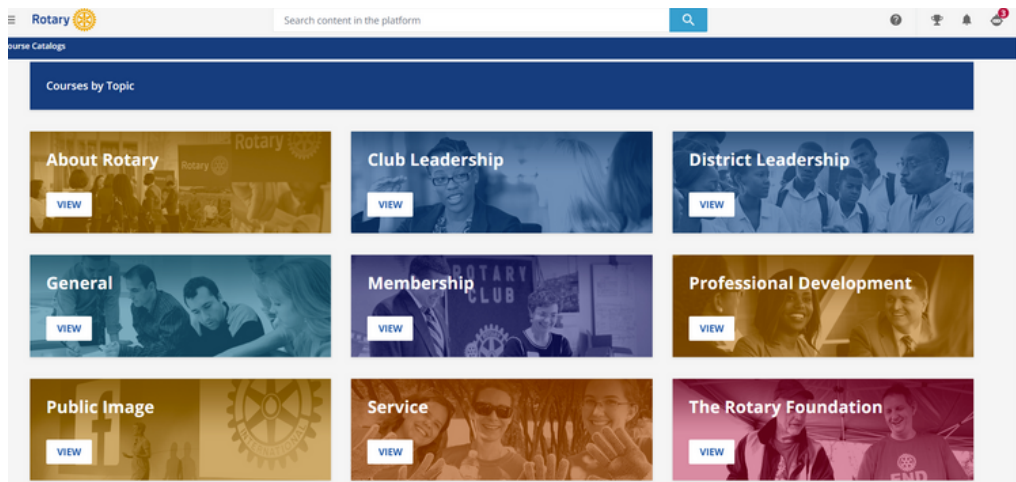
ROTARY LEARNING CENTRE

MyRotary.org has the Learning Centre with a course for everyone.

You will need to login to the Learning Centre with your MyRotary Details as per the screenshot below.



Once in, you have many courses to choose from, with new being added. You earn points for the courses taken and there's an overall leaderboard and a District Leaderboard too. Let's get more of us on the District leaderboard!



Editor Course Recommendations

With November being the Rotary Foundation month, the editor's choice of course is

The Power of Giving

This is under the Rotary Foundation Courses. Our donors' impact to the Foundation is vital. Learn about the Foundations funds and programs that benefit from your donations.

(Editors note:) If you have any questions on using the Learning Centre, I'm happy to help (as much as I can!).



MEMBER FUN FACT

You think you might know your fellow Rotarian's but we know a few facts about them you may not!



PP Leevie Herelle

Won a salsa dance competition.
Has refused to show his winning moves at Charter Night.



Riquette

Is an economic advisor of France for external commerce.



PP Frank

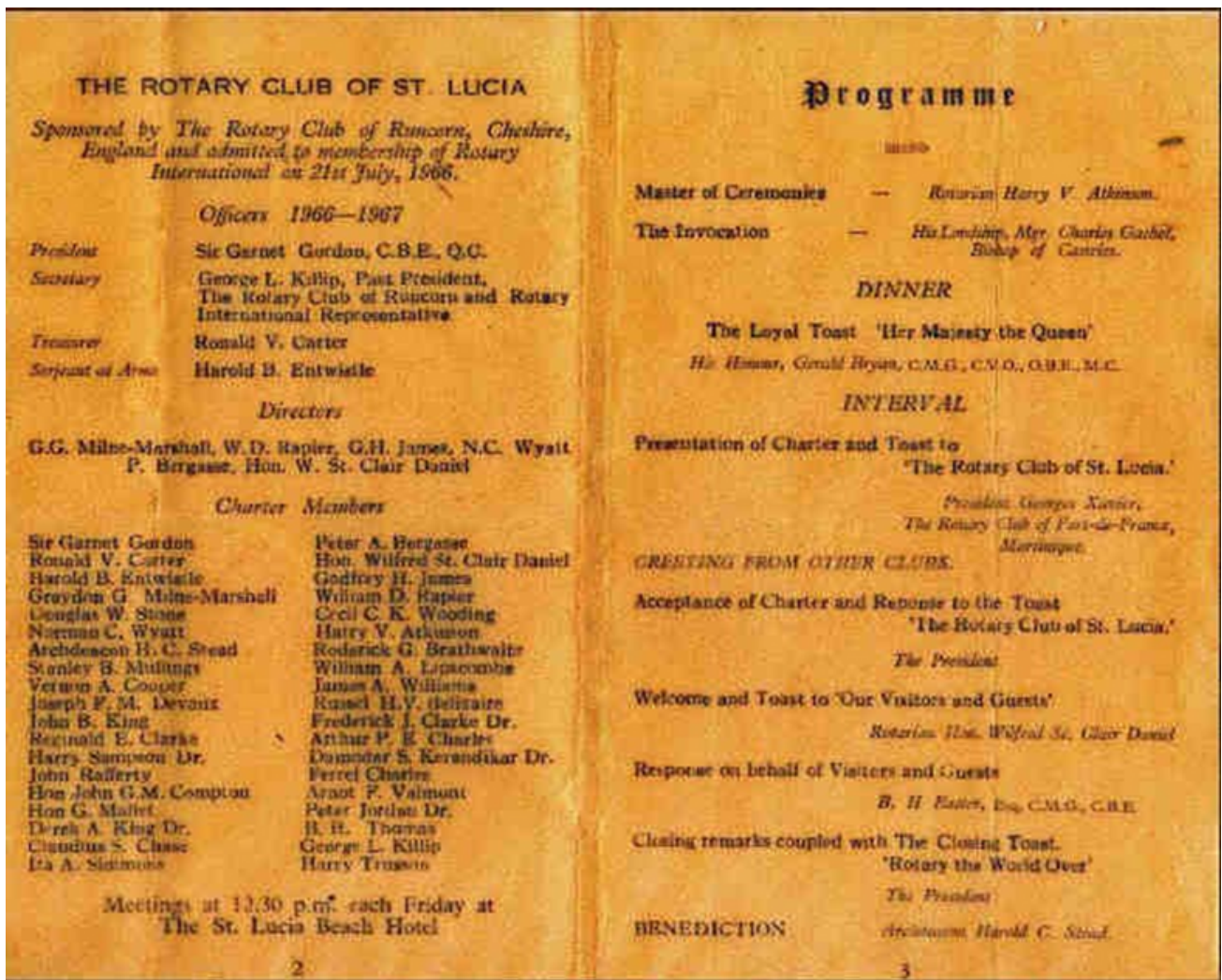
When he was a student, he played table tennis in a high security prison with a convicted murderer.

ROTARY MEMORIES

October is an important month for the Rotary Club of St Lucia as it's our anniversary. On the 21st October 1966 the club was formed.

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This was the programme for the very first Charter Night



ROTARY FIRST CHARTER NIGHT

Our first Charter night dinner was held at the St Lucia Beach Hotel.



Rotary

Club of St. Lucia



**IMAGINE
ROTARY**

CHARTER NIGHT

Celebration

56th Anniversary

Saturday 26th November

at

THE SOCO HOTEL

Rodney Bay

Cocktails from 6:30 pm

Tickets

Dinner from 7:30 pm

\$200

RSVP (758) 285-3295 or (758)713-5823



CHARTER NIGHT GUEST SPEAKER

Kennedy A. Germain



Kennedy grew up on the small nature island Dominica, where he started writing poetry and reading it on the local radio station at an early age. This led to him co-authoring a booklet of poetry, *As We Pondered*, before immigrating to the USA for college. There, Kennedy earned a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering at Tuskegee University. Upon graduation, Kennedy joined the world's largest consumer goods company, Procter & Gamble. However, as he did during his childhood, Kennedy continued sharing his written and spoken words to help and bless others.

Kennedy retired as an executive after a very successful career of more than three decades with P&G, which is recognized as a developer of some of the world's greatest leaders. At P&G, he became a student of leadership excellence, gaining extensive leadership experience working in several Global Business Units across multiple locations while coaching others, leading teams, and implementing and developing high-performance organizations.

Kennedy has also led countless technical and organizational leadership training workshops throughout the world, both internal and external to P&G.

As an immigrant and minority, the challenges and barriers Kennedy has faced are many. However, he was blessed with a few great mentors and coaches who nurtured him and provided excellent guidance. What Kennedy remembers most were their personal experiences, which helped him understand how to navigate leadership challenges. He also remembered the gap he felt when each mentor or coach moved on. This fueled his desire to nurture, coach, and develop future leaders himself.

You can learn more about Kennedy by going to his site Germain Empowerment (<https://germainempowerment.com>).



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!



Upcoming Birthdays

NOVEMBER

Timothy James
15th November

PP Dr Ira Simmons
19th November

23rd November
PAG Dr Malcolm Charles





UPCOMING EVENTS

November

Sat
26th

Charter Night

Soco Hotel, Rodney Bay.
Guest Speaker Kennedy Germain

January 2023

TBC

Unsung Heroes Dinner

14/15

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

February 2023

TBC

Wine & Cheese Fund Raising Evening

April 2023

District Conference in Grenada

13-15

If you are planning an event, please let the social media and PR committee know so we can help share it!

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

We enjoyed a great Rotary Family Fun day at pigeon island so let's give back and help the National Trust on Saturday 12th November with the clean up of the Married Women's Quarters at Vigie..



Saint Lucia National Trust
Site Cleanup
Married Women's Quarters Vigie

Please dress appropriately - closed shoes only!

Walk with your Cutlass, Rakes, Edge Shears, Water and Snacks.

Saturday
NOV
12

8:30 AM

email
outreach@slunatrust.org to register your participation



ST. JOSEPH'S CONVENT PRESENTS
THE SPIRIT OF
Christmas
A FUNDRAISING DINNER
IN AID OF THE ST LUCY'S HOME

10TH DECEMBER | 6-10PM

VENUE: ST. JOSEPH'S CONVENT

\$125 ALL INCLUSIVE
COCKTAIL HOUR | PRIZES TO BE WON

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

Each month has a different Rotary theme. Start your planning now!

MONTH	THEME
July	Transition Month
August	Membership & Extension
September	Basic Education & Literacy
October	Economic & Community Development
November	The Rotary Foundation
December	Disease Prevention & Treatment
January	Vocational Service
February	Peace, Conflict. Prevention/Resolution
March	Water & Sanitation
April	Maternal & Health Care
May	Youth Service
June	Rotary Fellowships

2022/23 ROTARY CLUB COMMITTEES

Let's welcome the new committee members for 2022/23

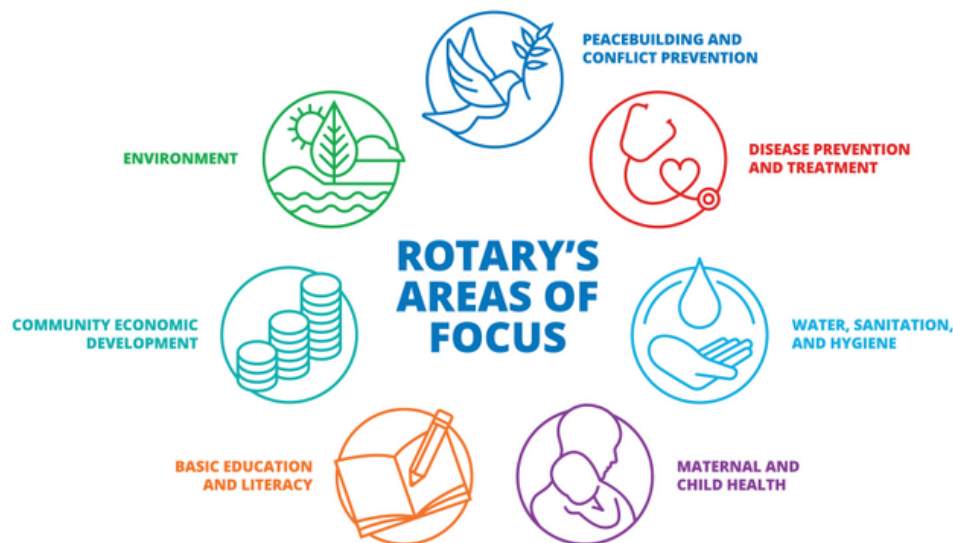
"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they have the heart". Elizabeth Andrew

<p>ELDERLY CARE/AMF PAG Malcolm Charles</p> <p>PP Digby Ambris PP Konrad Wagner PP Ira Simmons PP Leevie Herelle PP Chester Hinkson Peter Kent</p>	<p>CLUB ADMIN PP Tim Moffat</p> <p>IPP Keturah Donai PE Sheba O'Brien Julie Bonnett</p>	<p>FUND RAISING PE Sheba O'Brien</p> <p>PP Konrad Wagner Sean Devaux Marcus Joseph Julian Charles Steve Johny</p>
<p>COMMUNITY SERVICE PP Leevie Herelle</p> <p>PP Brad Paul PP Selma St.Prix Mary Dix Steve Johny</p>	<p>VOCATIONAL Natoya Cassius</p> <p>PP Konrad Wagner PP Soraya Warner- Gustave PP Rudolph "Doddy" Francis PP Frank Myers PP Azmina Long</p>	<p>INTERNATIONAL Riquette Bonne-Smith</p> <p>AG - Leathon Khan PP Leevie Herelle PE Sheba O'Brien PP Albert Daniels Francis Belle Harold Adu Angela Coleby</p>
<p>FOUNDATION PP - Frank Myers</p> <p>PP Charles Serieux PP Brad Paul Steve Johny</p>	<p>MEMBERSHIP Everton Sealy</p> <p>AG Leathon Khan Crisy Laurent Mary Dix</p>	<p>SOCIAL MEDIA/PUBLIC IMAGE Roger Hare</p> <p>AG Leathon Khan Angela Coleby</p>
	<p>YOUTH SERVICES Daniel Nunez</p> <p>PP Konrad Wagner PP Tim James</p>	

ROTARY AREAS OF FOCUS

No challenge is too big for us

For more than a century, we've bridged cultures and connected continents. We champion peace, fight illiteracy and poverty, help people get access to clean water and sanitation, and fight disease. Our newest cause is to protect our planet and its resources.



NEXT MEMBERSHIP MONTH

**November is Rotary Foundation
Month.**

Taking action to create positive change locally and globally is an everyday opportunity in Rotary! And with November being Rotary Foundation Month, it's a great time to highlight the power and impact your Foundation donations have both locally and globally, and more importantly to share gratitude and thanks for your donations.



ROTARY FOUNDATION

Although November is Foundation month, it should be kept in our minds all year as it is a way of making a global difference. As Rotarians, we may work on local projects but should not forget the purpose of delivering a better world through the Rotary Foundation.



MAKE A REGULAR DONATION

If we all donate a small amount each month then we can make a difference and help others. If 30 members donated just \$25 a month, that would be a total of \$750 making a total of \$9000 a year. Small and steady can make a large impact.

WHY SHOULD I DONATE TO THE FOUNDATION?

When you make a donation to The Rotary Foundation, you are helping Rotary members make a difference in the lives of millions of people around the world, by promoting peace, preventing disease, supporting education, bolstering economic development, and providing clean water and sanitation

WHAT IMPACT CAN ONE DONATION HAVE?

It can save a life. A child can be protected from polio with as little as 60 cents. Our partners make your donation go even further. For every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has committed \$2.

- For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio.
- \$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness.
- \$500 can launch an antibullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

HOW DO I MAKE A DONATION?

To make a donation either transfer the funds to our bank and inform the Treasurer what the payment is for or follow the link on our website:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>

Joke in the Spoke

Some light hearted humour and a word quiz

Teacher: Give me a sentence which includes the words, Defence, Defeat, Detail.

Student: When a horse jumps over defence, defeat go first and then detail.

I always preferred the English spelling of "diarrhea" which is "diarrhoea" because it really looks like you've lost control of your vowels.

Two cowboys are lost in the desert. One cowboy sees a tree that's draped in bacon. "A bacon tree! We're saved!" He says. He runs to the tree and is shot up with bullets.

It wasn't a bacon tree, it was a ham bush.

ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY MONTH WORD PUZZLE

L Y Z K R C X S O R O U G M M
 A T P R B N X M T P V N V M B
 N I U O N E A M P W L E V L L
 O N S J V K Z O O O B M Z F U
 I U C H B E R Q X W Q P J Y F
 T M E D L T R X O N U L M N R
 A M R T U C H T W F C O D H V
 C O K N C C P M Y A N Y W K G
 O C I Y D E V E L O P M E N T
 V T O G A K K A C H V E I O N
 Y G M T N H W E D D R N O W Y
 K L U H O I L O P P I T Y D Y
 I J P U M V V R S A X T O S F
 P J F A N O S I R B L J H X M
 K Q B P N J Z T G M E P V C E

Find the words in the puzzle

community	unemployment	vocational
economy	opportunity	training
development	polio	
poverty	giving	

I LIKE TO EAT THE FIRST HALF OF MY BAG OF SUNFLOWER SEEDS AND THEN SUCK THE SALT OFF THE REST. THAT WAY, IF AT FIRST I DON'T SUCK SEED, I CAN TRY AND TRY AGAIN.

"IF AN ARCHITECT MAKES A MISTAKE, HE GROWS IVY TO COVER IT. IF A DOCTOR MAKES A MISTAKE, HE COVERS IT WITH SOIL. IF A COOK MAKES A MISTAKE, HE COVERS IT WITH SOME SAUCE AND SAYS IT IS A NEW RECIPE." – PAUL BOCUSE



FULL MEMBERSHIP

ROTARY CLUB OF ST LUCIA

Adu, Harold
Ambris, Digby
Belle, Francis
Bonne-Smith, Riquette
Bonnett, Julie
Cassius, Natoya
Charles, Julian
Charles, OBE, JP., Malcolm
Charles-Donai, Keturah
Coleby, Angela
Daniels, Albert
Devaux, Sean
Francis, Lorenzo
Hare, Roger
Herelle, Leevie
Hinkson, Chester

James, Timothy
Johnny, Fitzstephen
Jonas, Jeremiah
Joseph, Marcus
Julien, V. Gordon
Kent, Peter
Khan, Leathon
Laurent, Crisy
Lewis- Dix, Mary
Long, Azmina
Moffat, Timothy
Myers, Frank
Nunez, Daniel
O'Brien, Sheba
Paul, Brad
Sealy, Everton
Serieux, Charlie
Simmons, Ira
St.Prix, Selma
Wagner, Konrad
Warner-Gustave, Soraya



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