



# The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia

## “The Spoke”



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### 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?

### Weekly Duties

	July 12	July 19	July 26
Meeting	Fellowship	TBA	TBA
Greeters	TBA	TBA	TBA
Prize	TBA	TBA	TBA

If you can't make it as above, please tell Dir. Andre ASAP!



### Birthdays in July

**Rot. Chester Hinkson** July 9  
**Rot. “Pedro” Peter Barnard** July 23  
**Rot. Sabia Cherebin** July 24

### Board 2012-2013

<i>President</i>	<i>Rudolph “Doddy” Francis</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>PP Carole Jn Marie PHF</i>
<i>President Elect</i>	<i>Gloria Williams PHF</i>
<i>Immediate PP</i>	<i>Konrad Wagner PHF</i>
<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Gloria Williams PHF</i>
<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>Lorne Charles</i>
<i>Sergeant at Arms</i>	<i>PP Robert “Bobby” Frederick PHF</i>
<i>Public Relations Officer</i>	<i>Sabia Cherebin</i>

### Directors:

Club Administration:	André Cherebin PHF
Service Projects:	David Shimeld
Membership:	Chester Hinkson
Rotary Foundation:	PP Albert Daniels, PHF
New Generations:	Selma St.Prix



## Club Meeting - July 5 2013

That was a Vocational talk meeting with a Rotaract Presentation



### Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 30 Rotarians 75%,  
4 Guests

Sergeant PP raised \$ 170 .00  
and the raffle yielded \$ 145.00

The raffle winner was Rot. Selma



### Save these dates

- Visit of DG Hervee July 15-21, 2013. Joint Fellowship Thursday 18. Joint Rotary meeting on Friday July 19.
- Chess launch in school districts 4 and 5 September 19-25, 2013
- Cap Maison Anniversary party with Calabashers September 27, 2013 Theme "Sci-fi"
- Rotary ARC Tree planting Belle Vue, Vieux Fort on Saturday December 2013

### New President of the Rotary Club Rudolph "Doddy" Francis is installed



During the handing over ceremony held at Jack's Fine Dining in Rodney Bay outgoing Pres. Konrad thanked his board and presented each member with a small token of his appreciation for their support during the Rotary year 2012 -13.

To save time on a long President's report a written synopsis of the year gone by was prepared and available for Rotarians and guest to read.

### The occasion was used to bestow a Paul Harris Fellowship on Dr. Stephen King



With this prestigious award we honour, in recognition of the outstanding work he has done, and continues to do, in several areas consistent with the projects and activities of the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia.

Dr. King has always had a strong interest in Violence Prevention and Youth Development. Of course this has been illustrated time and time again by his very vocal advocacy on these topics and his personal activities in the community. He has also been extremely active through education and awareness programs on Sexually Transmitted Diseases and HIV/Aids, through his publications in newspaper and magazines, presence in the mass media and most importantly his one on one interactions with young people in Saint Lucia and through youth groups such as RISE where he was a founding member in 2007 and continues to volunteer his time extensively.

The Awarded is a past member of our club who had to leave to focus on his national role as Chief Medical Officer, however even after leaving the club he pushed hard over a number of years to attempt to bring the Rotary Mobile Youth Counseling Clinic to fruition. As a result of the leadership and drive of Dr. Stephen King, the Rotary Bus as it is called, is providing a mechanism to reach thousands of young people throughout the length and breadth of Saint Lucia and bringing the messages of "healthy lifestyles", "HIV Aids Prevention", "violence prevention", and "hope for a better future".

Perhaps the greatest gift that Dr. Stephen King possesses is his natural ability to relate to, and be understood by the youth of Saint Lucia. He is able to get them to understand why they should change their behavior positively to improve their personal prospects and also contribute to nation building.

The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia therefore recognizes Dr. Stephen King by conferring on him the Paul Harris Fellowship Award, for his extensive service to the community. We do this as an encouragement for him to continue his important work in the interest of creating better lives for the young people of Saint Lucia.



## Pres. Doddy highlights some of the decisions made at the 1. board meeting on Tuesday July 2, 2013

Pres. Doddy announced the major focus for the year “youth at risk”

### Major Projects options:

**Soup kitchen** – one already exists in Castries. 200 – 400 individuals fed daily.

**Resource Center** – to be explored further.

**Other ‘explorables’** – **BTC; RISE; Family Court; Uptown Girls Home and BTC (Boy’s Training Centre)**

**Doctors in Action** – To be re-introduced and spearheaded by **PP Azmina**, assisted by **PP Joe**.

### **Tree Planting Project**

a) Will continue next school year with schools that have requested additional trees.

b) On December 13, 2013, **ARC** will participate in (re)planting trees on several acres of Bellevue’s hillside

**Community Service Youth Project** - PP Frank commented on the importance to undertake such project properly and was appointed committee chair person for it.

**Youth Camp** Dir. David will report further at a future meeting

**First Move Chess** IPP Konrad has agreed to continue spearheading this initiative.

**Fire Victim** EC\$1,000 donation still committed project. - meanwhile completed.

**Rotary Mobile Clinic** Planned Parenthood charges. Director Selma will update in a future meeting. Achieved

**Comfort Bay Home** - IPP Konrad obtained measurements for procuring individual curtains, which are currently being made.

**Cadet Corp Musical Instruments** Instruments were paid for (EC\$6,727.32) are being shipped to Saint Lucia.

**Dunnottar School Lunch** Food and Service were substandard as they have been for the past few years.

Considering changing venue/activities and holding at an earlier date. Alternatives thus far are as follows:

- **KFC in Castries** – has a private room upstairs
- **Aquatic Centre** - has a bouncy castle and other activities the kids can enjoy
- **Morne Coubaril** – wide open space, nice venue and nuns would cater enthusiastically.
- Also considered **Caribbean Cinemas** but the seating area is too small

### Other Business

#### **DG Visit to Saint Lucia July 15 – July 19, 2013**

a) Joint Fellowship with all clubs on **Thursday July 18, 2013**. Coordinator & time TBD.

b) Meet with our board on **Friday July 19, 2013 @ 10:30 am**. to review annual planning guide and have discussion with board.

c) Joint meeting with our club and RCGI for lunch on **Friday July 19, 2013**.

#### **Club Assemblies**

Apart from the DG Fellowship & Family fun/sports day, at least two more fellowships will be held during the year.

Several Rotarians have volunteered their homes/properties, to include **Joanna, Charlie, Konrad, Bobby & Mary**.

**Charter Night 2014** – **VP Carole** and **Director Andre** to coordinate preparation and circulate shortly.

**Calendar of activities** - **Director Andre** to prepare early, to ensure no conflicts with other clubs and their events.

**Food Distribution and Xmas Party** – Rotarians **Tim James** and **Mary Lewis** to coordinate.

### Rotary Club of Saint Lucia supports La Clery fire victims

After much effort by Rotarian David, our Service Projects Director a cheque, together with some linen was finally presented to Tessa Polius . Ms. Polius and her family lost her home several months ago in tragic circumstances. David promptly took the lady and her son shopping to Mega J’s where they acquired mainly food items. The presentation was made on Saturday July 6, 2013 by David, PP Konrad and Treasurer Gloria.





## Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia handing over 2013

In a ceremony held on Thursday July 4, the new board for 2013-14 was installed

### The Rotaract theme for 2013-14

**“iRIE I-Renew, Innovate, Evolve” as we take pride in the service we provide**



In the last meeting conducted by outgoing Pres. Samara she invited Rotary IPP Konrad and AG Timothy to say a few words. Both thanked the Rotaractors for their continuous support and close cooperation, complimenting them on a well run club with exceptionally good procedures and implemented programs and projects. They were assured of Rotary’s continuous support and given notice that the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia will continue to call on them for support and assistance in some of the Rotary projects. Also present at the ceremony were

Dir. Selma Rot. Steve

After the charter document was passed on President Ever had a chance to introduce pin and swear in his new board of directors for 2013-14 and talk about some of his teams goals for the upcoming Rotaract year.



### The board of directors for the Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia 2013-14

**From left to right:**

Brittney Gonzague, Treasurer

Eldon Paul, Dir. Club Services

Samara Aurelien, IPP

Vernel Flavien, Dir. Prof. Dev.

Ever Jn Marie, President

Tim Moffat, ADG Rotary

Okizia Lambert, Dir. Intl. Service

Crysta Asson, Vice President

Keisha Alfred, Dir. Comm. Service

Aarah Harris, Secretary

Avelynne “Abbie” Valmont ,

Rotaract District 7030 Representative



### Guests of Rotarians at the meeting



Dr. Lucia John  
PP Albert



Philip Mesidore  
Rot. David



Lyle Pauls  
IPP Konrad



Bruno Didier  
Rot. Chester