



# The Rotary Club of St. 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

	October 12	October 19	October 26
<b>Meeting</b>	Fellowship	Speaker	Vocational talk
<b>Greeters</b>	Birgitta Charly	Chester Brad	Carole Chris
<b>Prize</b>	Cheryl	Paul	Cyril
<b>If you can't make it as above, please tell Dir. Andre ASAP!</b>			

### October Birthdays



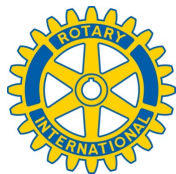
**Gloria—October 1**  
**Bert - October 10**  
**Leathon—October 26**

### Board 2012-2013

<i>President</i>	Konrad Wagner PHF
<i>Vice President</i>	PP Charles Serieux PHF
<i>President Elect</i>	Rudolph “Doddy” Francis
<i>Immediate PP</i>	Digby Ambris PHF
<i>Secretary</i>	Rudolph “Doddy” Francis
<i>Treasurer</i>	Gloria Williams PHF
<i>Sergeant at Arms</i>	PP Timothy Moffatt PHF
<i>Public Relations Officer</i>	PP Dr. Azmina Long PHF

### Directors:

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



## Club Meeting - October 5, 2012

That Friday was a business meeting and the Directors present gave their reports.



### Meeting statistics

The Raffle donated by Rot. Bert was won by PP. Chris and raised EC\$ 115.00.

Sergeant at Arms Timothy M. raised EC\$ 98.00 for the club account. Attendance: 19 Rotarians - 45% and 5 guests.

### Directors reports



- President Konrad advised the members that DG Steve Ramroop will be in Saint Lucia for 1 night to meet on Sunday October 7, 2012 with the Rotary water project planning committee.
- Further a representative from Beachbum Vacations will be in Saint Lucia on Sunday October 21, 2012 to make a presentation of educational material (2 lap tops) to the Babonneau Secondary School. Dir. Marcus will take the people to the school accompanied by Rotarians Andre and David. More volunteers are welcome to join the activity.
- Pres. Konrad asked all to include Rot. Bert in their thoughts while he is at home recovering from heart surgery in Martinique.
- A vacancy exists for a Spoke editor. Volunteers are welcome.

### The Rotary Foundation - Dir. Albert Daniels

- Dir. Albert advised that we had received a thank you message from our GSE representative Laverne Verdant, who is now in the UK. See more GSE 2012 pictures at [www.Rotary.lc](http://www.Rotary.lc)

### New Generation - Dir. Selma St. Prix

- Dir. Selma was unavailable as she was looking after her ailing father. Our thoughts are with Selma and her family.
- Dir. Albert reported on her behalf that she had a good meeting at the SJC where an exceptionally large number of students is interested in joining Interact.

### Club Services - Dir. Andre Cherebin

- Dir. Andre reminded all about upcoming Charter Night at the residence of Rot. Chester on November 3, 2012.
- A Club Assembly scheduled for October 16, 2012 at Auberge Seraphine. Suggestions for agenda items are invited.
- He feels we should from time to time give due recognition to members with consistent 100% attendance.
- October is Vocational Services Month. A deserving person in the community to be recognized by the club.

### Service Projects - Dir. Dr. Marcus Day

- Dir. Marcus gave a report on the status of the joint Babonneau water project. An extensive dossier prepared by the organizing committee was circulated. All were invited to a casual fellowship with visiting Rotarians DG Stephen Schlueter and RI Rep. Paul Derstine, who is on island to evaluate the MG project application. 4 days of activities relating to the water project are planned.
- The board had agreed to payment of the 1. year insurance for the Rotary Bus.
- The Rotary Calabashers have confirmed their year end concert for November 24, 2012 at Gaiety. Dir. Andre has put together an organizing committee.

### Public Relations - Dir. Azmina Long

- Dir. Azmina talked about some of the excellent PR the Rotary Club has achieved so far. She encouraged Rotarians to make themselves available when called upon to ensure more members and not just President Konrad and a few others are seen in the media representing Rotary.

### Treasurer - Gloria Williams

- As of September 30, 2012 funds on hand are: Rotary Bus acct . \$93,000 charity acct . \$ 47,000, Club acct . \$10,000, The new "Rotary House acct. \$ 125,000 or a **TOTAL of EC\$ 237,000**
- Recent expenses include: Rotary Bus 206,000, GSE 4,500 (to be shared with RCGI) Rotaract Club 5,000, Rotary 1. move Chess 4,500, Rotary Camp d-life 4,500, School feeding 1,000, Rotary Calabashers 5,900 (an outstanding charge for last year)

**We applaud our members for making their payments in a timely manner.**



### Visitors to the Club included



Jeanine Henry



Aznia SteMarie



Isiah "Shaggy"



Joseph Dolor



John Douglas

## Rotary Joint Water Project for Babonneau, Saint Lucia



### The aim:

Provide a reliable, sustainable supply of potable water for affected communities that we serve. Improve health and living conditions for many citizens through the establishing and reestablishing of access to a basic commodity.

### The objective:

- Replace a since 2010 largely dysfunctional old and rusty 30,000 gallons potable water tank with a new 150,000 Imperial gallons steel potable water tank.
- Improve and repair distribution lines.
- With the engagement of the Ministry of Health the project will be granted duty free status and in addition with the cooperation of WASCO and the Government of Saint Lucia the value of the new water tank will be traded for water to be used by less fortunate residents of the Babonneau area.
- The project will be implemented in close cooperation of the Government of Saint Lucia, WASCO, the contractor WEPCO and the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia and the Rotary Club of Gros Islet represented by PP Bradley Paul, a chartered Surveyor and experienced Project Manager.
- Rotary will also carry out a multi media "water awareness" campaign with town hall meetings, print and electronic media including primary school students. The educational element of the project will be in effect for many years to come.



### The history of the project:

In 2011 Rotary was approached with an appeal for assistance with the ongoing water distribution challenges in Babonneau. These had been made significantly worse after the passage of Hurricane Tomas on October 31, 2010 with several communities in the greater Babonneau area now without regular water supply for weeks at a time.

Initial discussions concerning a possible water project in Saint Lucia started between then DGN Malcolm Charles of district 7030 and then DGN Stephen Schlueter of district 6960 during an orientation conference for District Governors Nominee.

In early 2012 the by then DGE Stephen Schlueter contacted district 7030 through then DG Lara Quentrall-Thomas who in turn forwarded the communication to the Rotary Clubs in Saint Lucia.

In March 2012 the then AG Lisle Chase started communicating with by then DGE Stephen and as a result of that communication the Rotary Clubs of Saint Lucia suggested 2 potential water projects in Saint Lucia for consideration.

- One was a potable water project in the south of the island.
- One was a potable water project in the north of the island.

It became quickly apparent that the project in the district of Babonneau had more potential and promise for realization. The Rotary Clubs therefore focused the planning on that project.



Following the initial contact active ongoing communication mainly between then DGE Stephen and then AG Lisle resulted in an exploratory visit of DGE Stephen to Saint Lucia on May 24, 2012.

After DGE Stephen's first visit to Saint Lucia the following planning committee that would from then on communicate and meet regularly was formed:



Lisle Chase, PP and AG 2010-2012, Chairperson

Timothy Moffat, PP and AG 2012-2014

Konrad Wagner, President Rotary Club of Saint Lucia 2012-2013, recording Secretary

Matt Render, PP and President Rotary Club of Gros Islet 2012– 2013

Bradley Paul, PP and Civil Engineer, (Rotary Water) Project Manager and Surveyor

Dr. Marcus Day, Service Projects Director Rotary Club of Saint Lucia 2012-2013

Jonathan Everett, PP and VP Rotary Club of Gros Islet 2012-2013

Judy Deterville, PP and Public Relations Director Rotary Club of Gros Islet 2012-2013

Initially estimates for a 100,000 Imperial gallons water tank were obtained. When it became apparent that the financial means for a 150,000 Imperial gallons water tank were available quotes for the larger tank were secured. This and other information was used to prepare a "MG" Matching Grant Application and produce a somewhat extensive over 200 pages dossier outlining all aspects of the project and substantiating all parties and people involved in the planning and execution of this project.



During October 6-10, 2012 RI appointed representative Paul Derstine visited Saint Lucia together with now DG Stephen to verify all aspects of the proposal. Further District 7030 DG Steve Ramroop visited Saint Lucia for a day to lend his support.

This visit was used to hold meetings with WASCO, the contractor WEPCO, Ministers Dr. James Fletcher and Ms. Alvina Reynolds in additions to site visits, community residents and town hall meetings in addition to some all important fellowship.

By all accounts the visit went exceptionally well and we are now awaiting approval from the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation for approval to proceed with this Joint water project.

If approved, a very big Saint Lucian thank you will have to go to District 6960 DG Stephen Schlueter.

The value of the joint Babonneau Water Project is app. \$ 700,000.00 and is expected to initially provide app. 3,000 greater Babonneau residents with potable running water on a daily basis.