



The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia

"The Spoke"



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Rotary District Conference 2013 Grenada April 17 - 20, 2013

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 con-
cerned?

Weekly Duties

	March 15	March 22	March 29
Meeting	GSE talk	Vocational talk	No meeting
Greeters	Andre Anthony	Bert Birgitta	
Prize	Azmina	Albert	
If you can't make it as above, please tell Dir. Andre ASAP!			

Birthdays in March



PP Dr. Azmina Long - March 9
Selma St. Prix - March 14
Cyril Landers - March 18

Board 2012-2013

<i>President</i>	Konrad Wagner PHF
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<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 - Friday February 15, 2013

That was a business meeting



Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 27 Rotarians 63%, 6 Visiting Rotarian
3 Rotaractors, 6 guests
Sergeant PP Tim raised \$ 137.45
and the raffle yielded \$ 150 .00

The raffle donated by PP. Brad was won by VP Charly who donated the prize to the Rotary fellowship bar

VR Brian exchanged banners with Pres. Konrad

Harriet and Tom Linksey from the charity Hands Across The Sea made a presentation to the clubs charity fund



Save these dates

- March 22, 2013 20. Anniversary (05.03,1993) Charter Dinner Rotary Club of Gros Islet at the Golf Club
- RYLA 2013 Guyana 21st - 24th March, 2013
- Wheelchair distribution March 25, 2013
- Rotary Easter youth Camp April 4 -7, 2013
- District Conference 2013 Grenada 17th - 20th April, 2013
- International tree planting with Michele Weber and the Oakdale, Angels-Murphy's, Atwater and Lodi Rotary Clubs in District 5220, California May 24 - June 1, 2013
- Cap Maison Anniversary party with Calabashers September 27, 2013 Theme "Sci-fi"



World Rotaract Week March 10-16, 2013 Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia

Remaining activities:

Friday March 15 Attendance at Rotary lunch meeting

Airing of interview on Vibe, recorded with Pres. Samara and Dir. Okizia

Saturday March 16 Seminar "Building a Passion for Peace" Castries Comprehensive Secondary School

More about the activities in next weeks Spoke

AG Tim Pres. Konrad and Rotarians visit Rotary Club of Saint Lucia South Club Assembly

This was their club's first formal assembly in some time and all our members are encouraged to support them by attending their meetings and events.





Visiting Rotarians



Kitt Raye
RC Vengreville



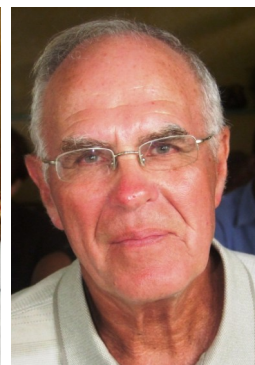
Hugh McLean
RC Smiths Falk



Dr. Aleric Soans
RC St Lucia South



Rene Williams
RC Antigua



Daniel Dedman
RC Hart



Brian Newman
RC Brecon

Guests of Rotarians visiting our at the lunch meeting



Ashley Glendinning
PP Malcolm



Harriet Linskey
Pres. Konrad



Sophie de Caprona
Rot. Birgitta



Carolyn Archibald
V Rot. Brian



Wayne Dance
PP Malcolm



Tom Linskey
Pres. Konrad

Visiting Rotaractors



PE Ever visited together with Dir. Okizia and Dir. Vernel paid a visit to their sponsoring Rotary Club to tell the members about plans for the upcoming World Rotaract Week. As is the case every year Rotarians are encouraged to participate in some of the Rotaract activities in support of the Rotaract Club. Especially the formal club meeting on Thursday March 14, 2013 should be a must for Rotarians to attend.

2 Rotaractors, Aarah Harris and Okizia Lambert are also preparing to attend RYLA in Guyana sponsored by the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia.

On a lighter note Rot. Pedro told us of the most recent discovery of water on Mars and had the members in stitches.





Since this was a business meeting the Directors presented their reports



New Generations: Dir. Selma gave a brief report on the Rotaract and Interact Clubs activities and mentioned the upcoming “pinning” ceremony at SMC on Monday March 18, 2013. She is also working on a cooperation project with “Sports in Black and White” for June 2013.

Service Projects: Dir. Albert delivered Dir. Marcus report touching on the following subjects:

- Anti-drug camp. Targeting 30 young people at the Pastoral Centre, 5-8 April 2013 the weekend after Easter. Budget 15,000 - 5k provided by club - 10k to be raised by the committee.
- Young men at Risk A project with Ms Fortuna Anthony working with secondary schools to identify young men to attend a day long workshop of skills needed to address the abuse issues they have been subjected to with psycho-social methods. This initial contact will be followed up by Ms Anthony on an individual level – each secondary school workshop requires an outlay EC1000 for food and materials. It is envisaged that 4 school/programs rolled out by the end of this school year – overall budget EC\$ 4000.00. Approved for a pilot – 1 session in George Charles with future funding contingent on reporting and relevance.
- Books in a bag. To address the lack of books in rural households in the Jacmel/Coolie Town/Roseau Valley area. The plan is to distribute 1000 school bags with books in the bag. The estimated cost of the bags is 20 EC and would contain a Rotary Logo and the tag line Rotary Addresses Literacy. This project was deferred.
- Vocational Award for SLACC for top students. This is outstanding and will be addressed this month based on the profile of the recipients.
- Wheel Chair Project. Wheel chair B/L has arrived – Chairs will soon arrive. Distribution will be 25 March with visiting Rotarians. Ms. Isidore of the National Council of and for Disability – will assist us by identifying recipients for the hand over and also for the general distribution – The Council has employed a new program officer and the lack of reporting issues associated with the last shipment have been rectified.
- Tree Planting – Matching Grant #78302, to help provide school orchards and orchard maintenance equipment to students in multiple schools throughout Saint Lucia. The object of this project is to plant food bearing trees throughout the island on public lands and to provide trees to individual who will plant trees on their land. This is a matching grant and we expect a posse of about 10 Rotarians to come from the West coast of the USA to participate in the planting – they will be for a week starting on 25 May till 1 June.
- Dunnottar School trip to Martinique 24 – 29 March 2013 – hosted by the Rotary Club of Lamentin in Martinique. This could possibly become an annual activity.

The Rotary Foundation: Dir. Albert briefly outlined plans to get part of a US\$ 10,000 fund available for PR work in the district. He has already submitted preliminary documentation to the district Chair and the formal application was completed, signed by the relevant board members and the President, and submitted the week of March 11, 2013. The club is applying for US\$ 2,000.00 to be spent on a Rotary PR campaign in Saint Lucia.



Directors reports continued

Public Relations: - Dir. Azmina advised the members that we have successfully submitted the paper work for the PR Citation 2012-13.

- Once more she asked for assistance with preparing PR articles.

Treasurer:

- Dir. Gloria is presently on vacation and Dir. Andre delivered her report confirming the bank balances and the good financial standing of the club.

Club Service:

- Dir Andre reminded all Rotarians of the importance of selling the Rotary Easter Raffle tickets.

- While final figures are still unconfirmed and some ticket payments are still outstanding he stated that the Wine and Cheese Fiesta 2013 will have yielded a profit of app. EC\$ 40,000.00

Rotary Calabashers perform in Soufriere

All indications are that the Calabashers concert at Morne Coubaril in Soufriere was very successful. According to some it was the best show ever. The standing room only crowd was treated to a range of love songs. The performance was followed by a real Lucian Party with life band.





The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia is considering teaming up with Sports in Black and White, a Regional Youth Forum

Dir. Selma is in talks with Nova Alexander from the Sacred Heart Foundation concerning the Rotary Bus and our clubs involvement in this officially by the Ministry of Youth Development & Sports endorsed event. Here is what it is all about.

WHAT THE CONFERENCE WILL BRING TO SAINT LUCIA.

- 1). Bring upwards of 400- 600 visitors to the Island in a typically low period
- 2). Substantially raise the destinations profile in key markets
- 3). Generate significant economic activity for local business
- 4). Provide a unique platform for Saint Lucia in one of the fastest growing niche markets in the tourism business
- 5). Expose Saint Lucia to a number of high profile, influential people.
- 6). Provide a unique opportunity for local unemployed youth to actively engage and train in youth and sports development

MINISTRIES INVOLVEMENT THUS FAR:

- Ministry of Commerce, Business Development, Investment and Consumer Affairs has been approached to assist with :
 - A.) .Product Showcase Kit for Delegates-Showcasing Saint Lucia
 - B.) .Commerce & Industry Presentation–One evening with VIP's/Potential Investors/Invited Delegates
- Ministry of Youth Development & Sport has pledged to assist with facilities & volunteers
- Ministry of External Affairs will assist with protocol

ATTENDING VIPS:

Most of the following are scheduled to attend, several have expressed serious interest including :

- Sir Hilary Beckles foremost historian on Cricket,
- Jackie Joyner-Kersey a retired American athlete, ranked among the all-time greatest athletes in the women's heptathlon (in discussion)
- Anton Ferdinand- Pro Player
- Jason Roberts-Pro Player
- Craig Short- former pro now Derby County FC Head of Recruitment
- Peter Herbert-Chair- Society Black Lawyers
- Carly Barnes- CEO of Silverstone Formula sports consultancy, lawyer and a freelance sports & music consultant Director of [www.uniqartists](http://www.uniqartists.com)
- Margaret Ottley, Marcia Oxley, Clementine Sloan-Green- Well known black women in the field of sport (in discussion)
- Stephen Smith- Business Manager- Michael Owen
- Geoff Scott- CEO of Xpro
- Leon Mann- Senior Sports Reporter & Film Maker
- Dr. Anna Semens-Dir. Dev-Football Industry Group
- Professor Verner Moller
- Professor Sine Agergaard
- Peter Adrien-Economist
- Piara Powar-Executive Director- FARE
- Paul Davis- X Arsenal Player and now senior coaching educator at the Professional Footballers Association (PFA)
- Cindy Daub-Director, International Relations-International Alliance for Youth Sports (IAYS)
- Daniel Gordon- Chair- Black Soccer Coaches Association
- Rodney Hinds-Founder- Black List Awards
- Yvette Jarvis- Former Pro Basketball Player-Advocate for Woman's rights & Special Needs
- Otis Roberts former player, CEO- Jason Roberts Foundation and players agent.
- Many others have been invited and feedback is pending

YOUTH TOURNAMENT TEAMS-JUNE 12TH-19TH :

Enquiries received from: USA x 2 teams, Nigeria, Brazil, Costa Rica , Antigua & Barbuda, St. Kitts & Nevis, Saint Vincent, Bahamas

VETERANS BEHIND BARS GAME- JUNE 18TH

Xpro is run by Geoff Scott a former Leicester City player with a terminal illness. Xpro charity endeavours to help and support any ex-professional footballer in the UK and signed an MOU with Sacred Sports Foundation. They have committed to bringing over 12-15 x pro players for a veterans game with an SSF team to be held at our local prison- Bordelais.

SHOWCASE-JUNE 14TH-18TH

150 youth from the region will be invited to showcase their talents to 30 Coaches expected from North America along with talent evaluators and scouts from Europe.

COACHING CERTIFICATION COURSES-JUNE 13TH-22ND

NSCAA & PFA. Basic Topic Course (USA) that will see upwards of 100-150 coaches locally and from the region qualifying, enabling them to work in the US. The PFA will also provide an advanced coaching course for 75 coaches.



The Rotary wheelchairs are here

On Saturday March 8, 2013 the container with the wheelchairs from the wheelchair foundation was with the assistance of a few Rotarians Rotaractor and friends emptied. Due to the courtesy of former Rotarian Gordon Charles the chairs are once again stored free of charge in the J. Q. Charles Garden Centre warehouse on Choc Bay. Gordon has assured the club via Pres. Konrad that he and his company will support this Rotary project and provide free storage for wheelchairs for the foreseeable future.

Thank you Gordon.

Now all Rotarians are invited to the handing over function on Monday March 25 at Saint Lucia Blue





The Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia celebrates a first!



As part of the World Rotaract Week celebrations members of the Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia , joined by Pres. Konrad, AG Tim and PP Albert joined the Rotaract Club of Milton, Canada in a skype call. The Rotaract Club of Milton is a small and only 1 year old club. Rotaractors and Rotarians shared project ideas and indicated an interest in working together in the future. One possibility is that Canadian Rotaractors could attend the Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia Camp in October of this or next year.



After the skype call the members had a very lively discussion on what makes a ‘Holistic Leader” and how does this apply to leadership in the 4 avenues of service.

