



March 21, 2014 Edition

The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia

"The Spoke"



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Rotary International Convention 2014 Sydney June 1- 4 , 2014

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

	March 21	March 28	April 4, 2014
Meeting	Fellowship	Vocational talk	Business
Greeters	Steve Tim J	David Albert	Azmina Anthony
Prize	Tim M	Andre	Bert

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



Birthdays in March

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

Birthdays in April

Peter Kent - April 1
Chris Renwick - April 10
Leevie Herrelle - April 12
Charlie Serieux - April 29

Board 2013-2014

<i>President</i>	<i>Rudolph "Doddy" Francis</i>
<i>Vice President</i>	<i>PP Carole Jn Marie PHF</i>
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<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
Youth Service:	Selma St.Prix

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Club Meeting - Friday March 14, 2014

This was a guest speaker meeting

Meeting statistics

Attendance: 30 Rotarians 79%
2 Visiting Rotarians
14 Rotaractors
10 Guests

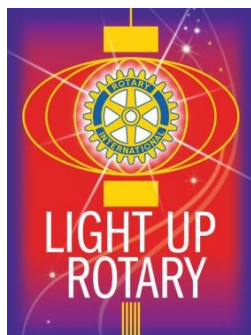


Pres. Doddy chaired the meeting.
The raffle prize was donated by Rot. Selma and won by Pres Doddy who presented it to Harriett and Tom who in turn handed it to Rotaract President Ever. It earned \$137.50
Sergeant Bobby raised \$ 195.00 for the club account



Save these dates

- Club Assembly, Wednesday March 26, 2014 5.30 pm at Auberge Seraphine
- Fellowship evening, Saturday March 29, 2014 7.00 pm venue TBC
- Youth symposium coming up in March
- Board meeting, Tuesday April 1, 2014
- Rotary Club of Gros Islet Charter Night, Saturday April 12, 2014
- 7030 District conference Martinique April 22-26, 2014. Register NOW



R.I. P.E. Gary Huang encourages Club Members to “Light Up Rotary”

RI President-elect Gary C.K. Huang chose **Light Up Rotary** as his theme for 2014-15.

Huang was inspired by the teachings of Chinese philosopher Confucius who said:

"It is better to light a single candle, than to sit and curse the darkness."

"There are so many problems in the world, so many people who need help. Many people say, 'There's nothing I can do.' So they sit there doing nothing. Meanwhile everything stays dark," Huang told the 537 district governors and their spouses and partners who were attending the 2014 International Assembly in San Diego, California. "The Rotary way is the Confucius way. The Rotary way is to light a candle. I light one, you light one, 1.2 million Rotarians light one.

Together, we light up the world," said Huang, who is a member of the Rotary Club of Taipei in Taiwan.

Huang is urging club members to **Light Up Rotary** in the coming year by hosting a Rotary Day in their community and including local Rotaract and Interact members in their service projects.

"How you **Light Up Rotary** is up to you," Huang said. "You know where you are strong, you know what your community needs, and you know how you can help."

Huang also shared his membership development goals, including the need for more women and young adults and his goal to increase membership to a total of 1.3 million members. He asked Rotarians to invite their spouses, family members, and friends to join Rotary. "We need to assume leadership for building strong clubs, and that starts with bringing in new members," he said. Addressing the status of the fight against polio, Huang noted that with the current momentum Rotary is on track to achieve full polio eradication by 2018.

"When we eradicate polio — and we will — we will have proved ourselves an organization capable of great things. And we'll be even better equipped for the next challenge we choose to take on. We'll have given the world a gift that will endure forever," he said.

By continuing to fight against polio, setting an example in local communities, and growing membership, Huang hopes to see Rotary shine brighter than ever.

"**Light Up Rotary** is our theme, but it is more than our theme. It is how we live in Rotary, how we think in Rotary, how we feel, how we work," Huang said. "It is how we make a difference — every day, in every club, every district, and every country where we serve."

More on the theme 2014-15 at: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/presidential-the>
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Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia celebrates World Rotaract Week



World Rotaract Day was on recommendation of Rotaractor Derya Sensoy from a Rotaract Club in Turkey first celebrated by Rotaract Clubs around the world on February 23, 1990.

It was felt a shared activity by World Rotaractors would attract attention all around the world and bring wider recognition to Rotaract across the globe. February 23 was also the day the 1. Rotaract Club was founded. And in 1993 due to the 25th. Anniversary of the Rotaract program World Rotaract Day was extended to World Rotaract Week to be celebrated in the 2nd. week of March every year.

After a church service, a service project and radio interviews the club held an open discussion meeting themed:
The work we do changes lives - "ours and others"



The event was exceptionally well attended with especially Rotaractor sharing experienced from early and later days as members of the Rotaract Club.

They often reflected on specific projects and interactions with other Rotaractor locally or internationally. All experiences were positive and uplifting. Pres. Doddy, IPP Konrad and Rot. Ginelle joined the meeting.



Highlight of World Rotaract Week 2014 was the Saturday workshop
"Inspiring Change Through Intepreneurship and Innovation"



Over 50 Interactors, Rotaractors, Rotarians and presenters attended the panel discussions and group sessions



What a truly amazing group
of dedicated Rotaractors

For many more pictures please go directly to
<http://www.crsadmin.com/Gen/Journals/main.aspx?aid=7155>

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Harriet and Tom Linskey of Hands Across the Sea address Rotary



The meetings guest speakers were Harriet and Tom Linskey

After retiring Tom and Harriet founded in 2007 the Charity Hands Across the Sea. Harriet and Tom with Collin McCullough, Operations Director who was also at the meeting and Jennifer and Scott Spring as the shore team work directly with school principals, teachers, learning-support advisors, community leaders, local NGOs, and U.S. Peace Corps Volunteers affiliated with Caribbean schools to find out what books and classroom materials students (from pre-school to high school) need to improve learning and literacy. And then they get it to them. They presently assist learning centres in Antigua, Dominica, Grenada, St. Vincent and Saint Lucia.



Here they are pictured with Rot. Chester who delivered the vote of thanks

Their Caribbean Literacy and School Support ("CLASS") program has up to this year assisted

- 215 schools, libraries, reading programs and youth centers,
- with 143,000 new and almost new books and 320 boxes of teaching resources
- "CLASS" is reaching more than 48,000 children in the Eastern Caribbean.
- Over 10,000 students in Saint Lucia alone

During the presentation Harriet and Tom shared many pictures of their work as well as a short video made with a primary school in St. Vincent. It is hoped to produce a similar short film for Saint Lucia. PE Gloria's Board of Directors will consider a way to possibly team up on a project with Hands Cross the Sea in the Rotary year 2014-15.

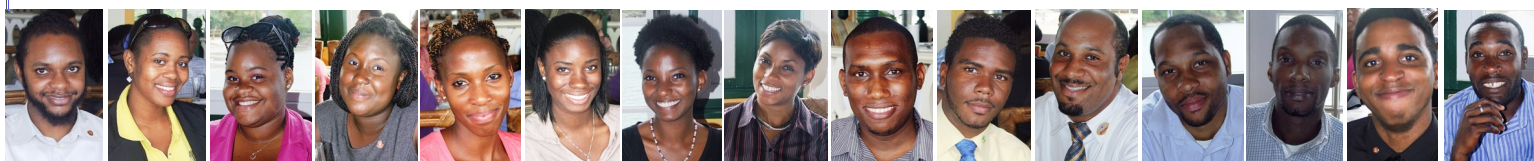
Visitors and guests at the meeting



In celebration of World Rotaract Week a large number of Rotaractors had followed the invitation and joined the regular Friday Rotary lunch meeting



President Ever and the Rotaract contingent with First Move Chess Coordinator Ashford (far right)



and visiting Rotarians and other guests of Rotarians and the club



VR Cass Elias
RC SLU South

VR Frank Clegg
The UK

Pauline Terrington
PP Tim

Ruzna Khan
Rot. Birgitta

Lorraine Moffat
PP Tim

Harriet Linskey
The Club

Tom Linskey
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C. McCullough
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