



# 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 concerned?

### Weekly Duties

	April 5	April 12	April 19
Meeting	Business meeting	Fellowship	Speaker Raffle draw
Greeters	Joe Charlie		
Prize	Carole		

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

### Birthdays in April



**Peter Kent** - April 1  
**PP Tony Austin** - April 5  
**PP Chris Renwick** - April 10  
**Leevie Herrelle** - April 12  
**PP Charles Serieux** - April 29

### Board 2012-2013

<i>President</i>	Konrad Wagner PHF
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### 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 - March 22, 2013

That was a vocational talk meeting



### Meeting statistics:

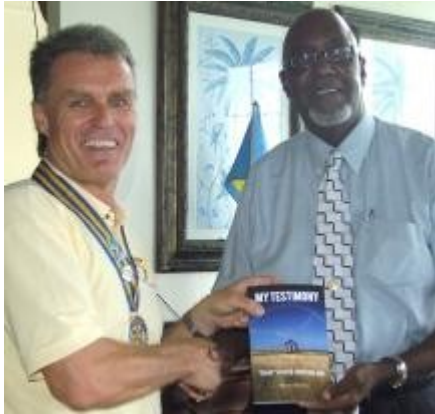
Attendance: 30 Rotarians 66%, 3 Visiting Rotarian  
3 Rotaractors, 4 guests

Sergeant Tim raised \$ 117.50  
and the raffle yielded \$ 150 .00

The raffle donated by PP. Albert was won by Visitor Shaggy

Accomplished author and PP Malcolm Charles talked briefly about his newest book "My Testimony". According to PP Malcolm Rotary is a big part of his life and part of these writings.

He presented a copy of the book to Pres. Konrad



### Save these dates

- Incoming GSE April 7-14, 2013
- Visit to Babonneau Secondary School with Beachbum Vacations Friday April 19, 2013 9.00 AM
- District Conference 2013 Grenada 17th - 20th April, 2013
- International tree planting with Michele Weber and the Oakdale, Angels-Murphy's, Atwater and Lodi
- Calabashers fundraising concert for Cadet family, Saint Mary's College Friday April 26, 2013 8.30 PM
- Rotary Clubs in District 5220, California May 24 - June 1, 2013
- Official handing over of Babonneau water tank on May 27, 2013
- Cap Maison Anniversary party with Calabashers September 27, 2013 Theme "Sci-fi"

### April is Magazine Month

### Rotary Easter 2013 raffle—drawing coming up

With only days to go until the drawing on April 19, 2013 Rotarians and Rotaractors are reminded to sell their last remaining tickets and submit all their ticket stubs to Dir Andre.

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Proceeds in aid of Comfort Bay Home for the elderly and Rotary Community Projects  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**2 WORLD TRAVELER PLUS TICKETS TO LONDON ON BRITISH AIRWAYS**  
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## Vocational Talk speaker Crissy Laurent



Rot. Crissy gave us an overview of her responsibilities during a regular working days. She touched on challenges as they relate to banking in regards to possible terrorist activities and how they could affect the island. A brief discussion also evolved around the current situation relating to the banking sector in the EU and Cyprus and cash payments and credit card fraud affecting several businesses.

The subject of compliance with international banking regulations was of interest to all members, clearly demonstrated by the number of questions after Crissy's presentation.

## Visiting Rotarian at the lunch meeting



**Sue Reed**  
RC Gros Islet



**Frank Clegg,**  
RC Burnham- on-Sea, Somerset, UK



**PP Jonathan Everett**  
RC Gros Islet

**PP Jonathan used the opportunity to tell all present about the upcoming charter night of the Rotary club of Gros Islet held on Saturday April 5, 2013**



**Keisha Alfred**



**Ever JnMarie**



**Vernel Flavien**



**Julia Clegg**  
VR Frank



**Shaggy Isaac**  
Birgitta



**Robert Oberlander**  
PP Leathon



**Joseph Delor**  
Birgitta

## Visiting Rotaractors

## Guests of Rotarians

**Dir. Keisha invited all present to the Rotaract B B Q at Jn Marie's gas station on Saturday March 30, 2013**

## Babonneau water tank update

Negotiations with the Ministry of Finance continue to ensure the duty free clearance of the water tank currently on the dock in Castries.





## Interact club at Saint Mary's College inducted

In a beautiful ceremony attended by School Principal Rohan Seon, Interact Coordinator Shurna Ephraim, Pres. Konrad Wagner and PP Albert Daniels 24 students were officially inducted into Interact.



As can be expected PP Albert did a splendid job as Master of Ceremonies providing guidance throughout the proceedings while touching on some of the principals that govern Rotary, Rotaract and Interact alike.

Saint Mary's College Principal Rohan Seon in his remarks implored the students to make this the best club it can be and in fact the best Interact Club anywhere. He welcomed this new activity to the school and assured Rotary and the young students his support.



In his comments Pres. Konrad thanked Principal Seon, Interact coordinator and Teacher Ms. Shurna Ephraim the students and by extension Saint Mary's College for inviting Rotary into the school. He is confident the new Interact Club will in a few years have become another proud feature of a school rich in traditions and achievements.

The students were reminded that despite Rotary's support and assistance it is important that the club was self-governing and self-supporting. Through their efforts they will learn the importance of developing leadership skills and personal integrity, demonstrate helpfulness and respect for others while understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work as well as advancing international understanding and goodwill.



Members reciting the Interact pledge



Pres. Kristian Edward



Pres K. and teacher Shurna







## Rotary Wheelchair Foundation distribution 2013

For the first time in our many years old history of distributing free wheelchairs to people with mobility challenges we were visited by representatives from the sponsoring districts in the USA.



DG Woody and wife Lori Sadler, Rot. June Hall-Long, Rot. Conrad Koneczny, Rot. Tom & Diane Woodson & son Joe together with PP Gaya Beharry from Trinidad visited Saint Lucia and participated in the presentation of the last 100 wheelchairs received earlier in March, 2013.



They were assisted by the Association for Persons with Developmental Disabilities







One presentation took place at Saint Lucia Blu in Rodney Bay  
After the presentation the recipients and Rotarians enjoyed lunch together  
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The other presentation was made by the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia south  
at the NRDF Centre in Vieux Fort



**PP OGB as Master of Ceremony led through the presentations of wheelchairs after Pres. Ram welcomed all**



**visiting Rotarians and guests to the presentation in the south of Saint Lucia**



When all that needed to be said was said it was time for refreshments and a little fellowship  
On Tuesday the visiting Rotarians toured the Babonneau water project site and saw The Rotary Bus at work





## Dunnottar students enjoy visit to Martinique



On Sunday March 24, 2013 21 students and 16 adults comprising of teachers and parents departed via the Express des isles ferry to Martinique. There they were met by members of the Rotary Club of Lamentin. Through the generous contribution from Rotarians in Martinique the group was accommodated at their Expense.

For 6 days until Friday March 29, 2013 they visited sites on the “isle des fleur” and also spent one day with Mrs Vaissellier the principal and students from the Impro Pelletier school on the island.

Dunnottar and Impro Pelletier used to cooperate in years gone by.

In addition to the financial and organizational support from the Rotary Club of Lamentin and Pres. Claude our sincere appreciation goes to Mr. Karim Houali from the Alliance Francaise in Castries who coordinated all the visa requirements.





## Incoming GSE Team District 6960 visiting Saint Lucia April 6-13, 2013



**PP Bob Knight** Group leader hosted by PP Tim and Loraine Moffat

Bob is a contractor and financial accountant for a construction company that builds residential homes. He was born in Fort Lauderdale and graduated from the University of Miami with a Bachelors Degree in Business Administration and a Masters in Major Accounting and then received his Masters of Business Administration and Management.

He is a member of the Rotary club of Cape Coral Gold Coast for the last 24 years .



**Kandra Hoefs** hosted by PP Lisle Chase and Maggie Jaganath

Kendra is in sales and is currently working with a residential real estate agency.

She enjoys a good glass of wine, beer or coffee and leads an active lifestyle, which includes spending time outdoors lounging on the beach, boating and hiking. She is open to any adventure and experience and hopes to see as much as she can.



**Sarah Kane** hosted by PE Rudoph (Doddy) and Cheryl Francis

Sarah is a Public Education and Outreach Manager and works for the Sarasota Estuary Program.

She manages environmental education programs, volunteer, marketing and grant programs and works on sustainability and pollution issues. Specific tasks include SCUBA diving, bay ocean and wetland visits. She is concerned about conservation, pollution and climate change issues and wants to learn about marine and coastal habitats on the islands.



**Suriya Khong** hosted by Pres. Konrad and Kris Wagner

Suriya is a student and 2 years through law school awaiting her bar exams.

Her regular responsibilities include visits to the local courthouse, juvenile justice centre, (especially for trials) or the juvenile detention centre. She is currently shadowing an attorney. She hopes to broaden her understanding of foreign justice systems specifically juvenile justice models in the island. Suriya is vegetarian and does it dairy products. She is allergic to penicillin, sulfa drugs and cats.

### They have already been very busy in

Suriname .....

.....and Barbados



### Rotarians from a 3 clubs are invited to join some or all of the following group activities

**Saturday April 6, 2013** 7.00 PM Charter dinner of the Rotary club of Gros Islet, Saint Lucia Golf Club

**Sunday April 7, 2013** 10.00 AM Daysail to Soufriere

**Tuesday April 9, 2013** 12.30 PM Meeting and presentation Rotary club of Gros Islet, Harmony Suites, Rodney Bay  
2.00 PM Tour of water project site in Babonneau  
8.00 PM Fellowship, The Breadfruit Tree Restaurant, Gros Islet

**Friday April 12** 12.00 PM Meeting and presentation Rotary Club of Saint Lucia, Sandals Halcyon  
8.00 PM Fellowship and street party, The Golden Taste, Gros Islet

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