



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

Weekly Duties

	September 5	September 12	September 19
Meeting	Business	Guest Speaker	Fellowship
Greeters	Mary Paul	Pedro Bobby	Sabia Steve
Prize	Malcolm	Peter K.	Selma

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



Birthdays in September

Timothy Moffat - September 8

Ian Mitchell - September 15

Albert Daniels - September 20

Board 2014-2015

<i>President</i>	Chester Hinkson
<i>Vice President</i>	PP Leathon Khan PHF
<i>President Elect</i>	
<i>Immediate PP</i>	Rudolph "Doddy" Francis
<i>Secretary</i>	Timothy James
<i>Treasurer</i>	PP Robert "Bobby" Frederick PHF
<i>Sergeant at Arms:</i>	PP Timothy Moffat PHF
<i>Public Relations:</i>	PP Carole Jn Marie PHF

Directors

Club Administration:	Ginelle Nelson
Service Projects:	PP Konrad Wagner PHF
Membership:	Joanna Charles
Rotary Foundation:	PP Digby Ambris, PHF
Youth Service:	Selma St.Prix

District responsibilities

Asst. District Governor	PP Timothy Moffat PHF
District Advisor (TRF) Major Gifts	PAG Malcolm Charles PHF
Vice Chair IFRM D7020 & D7030	PAG Malcolm Charles PHF



Club Meeting - August 29, 2014

This was a vocational talk meeting

Meeting statistics

Attendance: 23 Rotarians 58%
1 Visiting Rotarian
2 Guests

Pres. Chester chaired the fellowship meeting
The weekly raffle prize was provided by Rot. Leevie
The winner was for the 2. week in a row PP Konrad
The raffle earning the club \$ 115.00
Acting Sergeant raised \$ 105.00 for the club account

September is New Generations Month



Save these dates

-  Saturday September 20, 2014 8.00 pm Rotaract Fun Auction at the home of Rot. Mary
- Friday November 7 and 8, 2014 Rotary Club of Gros Islet Golf Tournament
- Saturday November 8, 2015 Rotary Club of Gros Islet Golf Tournament
- Saturday November 29, 2014 "The Calabashers at 10" charity concert
- Saturday February 7, 2015 13th. Annual Wine and Cheese Fiesta

Pres. Chester's comments

- Pres. Chester thanked all Rotarians that had participated in the Micoud Secondary School workday. He talked about the joy of having been part of the workday and the positive energy and team spirit displayed by all participants.
He then advise all to be careful should they see Rot. Tim or PP Frank in their neighbourhood warning of their newly discovered propensity for demolition work. Your house could be in trouble—so watch out if you see them near you with a crowbar or a sledgehammer.



Quite frankly, I would watch out for Bobby Too!

- The date for the 13th. Annual Wine and Cheese Fiesta has been confirmed for Saturday February 7, 2015. It is important for Rotarians to note this date to ensure they will be available to assist.
- An invitation to book a table at the Governor General's 17th. Anniversary on office fundraising dinner was received and read out to members present. The charge for a table of 10 is \$ 2,000.00

Thank you Rot. Lyle

Rot. Lyle has left the island for work reasons and has advised PP Konrad in a meeting that the remaining cash balance in his account should be donated to the Rotary Club Account. Treasurer Bobby will effect this transaction in due course. It was not immediately apparent if Lyle was pursuing a Rotary membership in his new home Antigua.

We wish him and his wife Tess all the best in their new endeavours.



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Vocational talk by new Rotarian Phillip Cross



Rot. Phillip started by sharing his mantra: “be brief and be brave”.

Describing himself as a true Canadian with roots in all races and continents growing up in Calgary Alberta where almost everybody in the family was in some way affiliated with the oil and gas industry.

He talked about how he became involved in banking almost by accident taking him of all places to Australia. Where he remained for 2 years working all across the Continent from east to west and north to south. After all his initial University studies and degree we amongst others a major in geology.

After returning from his stint with the Bank of Australia back to his native Canada he joined Bank of Nova Scotia where he remained employed for the last 24 years eventually working again in several different countries.

From his presentation it was very apparent that he believed in the philosophy of his bank sharing a discourse on the importance of Relationships and Leadership within the organization. For him BNS is unique in its culture referred to by Rot. Phillip as it's

Ancestry with 88,000 Associates in 60 countries forming one team.

The answered questions relating to the new challenges with international banking regulations going back to the events of “September 11 and how his bank is also working on the future of banking, namely a project called Tangerine relating to virtual banking. Clearly there will be less and less “teller banking” in the days ahead.

When asked about his joining or Rotary he relayed the experience of his 1. visit to the club as Pres. Chester's guest at the lunch for the students of the Dunnottar School and how it left an impression on him.

Asked about how he saw his responsibility and also mission within Rotary Phillip said how he knew he has been fortunate in life and his aim was: “ Help people younger than him to have a better life”.



Visitor



VR Romeo Mitchell
RC Milton, Ontario, CAN

and guests at the meeting



Catherina Bascom
guest of Rot. Paul



“Shaggy” Isaac
guest of Rot. Birgitta

Banner presentation

Visiting Rotarian Romeo presented a banner from the Rotary Club of Milton in Ontario, Canada to Pres. Chester.

Rot. Romeo had visited with us previously. He hails originally from La Clery, Castries and is also the uncle of our member Rot. Ian. VR Romeo visits Saint Lucia regularly and we look forward to welcoming him back to many of our meetings in the years Ahead.





R. I. President 2014-15 Gary C.K. Huang



Gary C.K. Huang never imagined he would become Rotary International's president when he joined in 1976, but now that he is in office, he hopes to increase membership to 1.3 million by the end of his term.

"It's simple. The more members we have, the more people we can help. A stronger membership base will result in stronger communities," says Huang, who on 1 July became Rotary's first Chinese president.

Huang also hopes his presidential theme, Light Up Rotary, will encourage members to brighten Rotary's image to the public, which he believes in return will improve member recruitment and retention.

Huang has a track record of improving membership development in Asia, adding 19 clubs when he was district governor for Taiwan, Hong Kong, and Macau. One of the cornerstones of his presidency is encouraging clubs and districts to conduct a Rotary Day. These one-day events, he says, can spotlight a particular cause, and solidify Rotary's image as one of the world's leading service organizations.

"We need to showcase our good work to everyone in the community. Rotary Days need to be fun and all inclusive. Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to participate. My hope is at the end of the day a few non-members will want to join Rotary," he says. "Let's give people the opportunity to experience what it's like to make a difference. Rotary Days can achieve that."

Huang designed a travel schedule that will allow him to visit more than 30 Rotary Day events across the globe, including Argentina, Chile, France, India, Italy, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, and the U.S., as well as his home city of Taipei.

Huang says he's honored and humbled to be Rotary's president. He knows he's part of an exclusive club.

"We [past Rotary presidents] have achieved great success in our businesses and in our communities," says Huang. "But success isn't about power or money. It's about giving back. Being a Rotarian has given me the opportunity to help those in need. As president, I can inspire our members to take advantage of the same opportunity and bring happiness in people's lives."



New Director for The Rotary Foundation confirmed

With the board resignation of PP Albert for work reasons the position had to be filled again. In compliance with the club's bylaws PP Digby was asked to accept the position and has subsequently accepted the position.

Thank you PP Digby. Welcome back to the board for 2014-15

Prize set for Rotary Wine and Cheese Fiesta Invitations

This fundraising event now in its 14th year was first held in 2002. With the exception of 2008 it took place every year after it was restarted by Pres. Charles in 2009.

For the early years the charge was until 2005 EC\$ 100.00

From 2006 to 2009 we charged EC\$ 120.00

Since 2010 the invitation fee was EC\$ 150.00

After a discussion the board voted to increase the invitation price for 2014 to EC\$ 175.00

Tickets will go on sale after the Calabashers Christmas concert.



