



# The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia

## "The Spoke"

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**Caribbean Partnership Conference, Puerto Rico August 8-10, 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

### Weekly Duties

	August 8, 2014	August 15, 2014	August 22, 2014
<b>Meeting</b>	Business	Rotaract	Speaker
<b>Greeters</b>	Doddy	Frank Joanna	Joe Konrad
<b>Prize</b>	Digby	Ian	Keith

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



### Birthdays in July

**Ginelle Nelson - August 22**

### 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 Albert Daniels, 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 - July 25, 2014

This was a fellowship meeting

### Meeting statistics

Attendance: 25 Rotarians 64%  
1 Visiting Rotarian  
3 Guests

Pres. Chester chaired this fellowship meeting  
The weekly raffle was won by guest "Shaggy"  
earning the club \$ 135.00  
Sergeant Tim raised \$ 105.34 for the club account  
Shaggy winning the 3. time on 5 visits!



### Save these dates

- July 27 - August 8, 2014 Two Rotary / RSLP Anti Drug Camps
- August is Membership and Extension Month
- Saturday November 29, 2014 "The Calabashers at 10" charity concert

### Do you ever wonder why the Rotary year starts on July 1 ?

The international convention initially played a key role in determining the start date of our fiscal and administrative year.

Rotary's first fiscal year began the day after the first convention ended, on 18 August 1910. The 1911-12 fiscal year also related to the convention, beginning with the first day of the 1911 convention on 21 August.

At its August 1912 meeting, the Board of Directors ordered an audit of the International Association of Rotary Clubs' finances. The auditors recommended that the organization end its fiscal year on 30 June to give the secretary and treasurer time to prepare a financial statement for the convention and board, and determine the proper number of club delegates to the convention.

The executive committee concurred, and at its April 1913 meeting, designated 30 June as the end of the fiscal year. This also allowed for changes to the schedule for reporting club membership and payments. Even The Rotarian changed its volume numbering system to correspond to the fiscal year (beginning with vol. 5, July 1914).

Rotary continued to hold its annual conventions in July or August until 1917. Delegates to the 1916 event in Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, approved a resolution to hold future conventions in June, mainly because of the heat in cities where most of them occurred. The next one was held 17-21 June in Atlanta, Georgia.

The term "Rotary year" has been used to signify Rotary's annual administrative period since at least 1913. An article in The Rotarian that July noted, "The Rotary year that is rapidly drawing to a close has been signaled by several highly successful joint meetings of Clubs that are so situated as to assemble together easily and conveniently."

Since the executive committee's decision in 1913, the end of the Rotary year has remained 30 June.

### Rotary and Rotaract Clubs of Saint Lucia South



Happy Birthday  
IPP Aleric  
What a cake.  
I hope you  
shared .



Rotaract Club of  
Saint Lucia South  
Handover  
meeting



Rotaractors await  
the arrival of the  
Bon Accord Police  
Youth Club from  
Tobago.

The 2 clubs together carried out several community projects for 2013 flood victims.

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## Rotary Board received pins

For various reasons the pinning of the board members could not take place earlier. This was finally completed during this meeting. Pres. Chester again thanked his board for agreeing to serve the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia with him.



## The Board of Directors (“sans” Carole) for 2014-15



## Presentation to P.R.I.D.E Saint Lucia



The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia sponsored 2 boys to attend a camp in Florida by providing 2 airline tickets in the amount of EC\$ 3,960.00. In addition the entire group was provided with t-shirts each. Most regrettably a few of the group members were despite intervention at the highest level in Saint Lucia and Barbados unable to obtain tourist visas to travel to the USA.



Mrs. Chrieselda Branford, PHF receiving the cheque for the tickets and displaying the shirts

In her acceptance remarks Mrs Branford thanked the Club and specifically Rot. David and PP Konrad for their patience during the very frustrating planning process

## Donation from Bank of Nova Scotia

The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia also received a cash donation from the Ban of Nova Scotia. This is in support of the annual Youth Camps held in July. The sponsorship in the amount of EC\$ 2,587.50 will go towards providing and printing 100 t-shirts for the campers and camp counsellors.

Here Pres. Chester receives the donation from BNS Country Manager Phillip Cross



## Visitors and guests at the meeting



VR Mary Beth Sutton  
Chattanooga Sunrise  
Tennessee USA



Chrieselda Branford  
Club guest



“Shaggy” - Isaac  
Rot. Birgitta’s guest



Phillip Cross  
Pres. Chester’s guest





## Rotary / RSLP Summer Youth Camps



The annual Rotary Summer Camp for disadvantaged youths was officially opened on Sunday July 28, 2014.

For the 2. year the Rotary Summer Camps are held in cooperation with the Community Outreach Branch of the Royal Saint Lucia Police Force. This year it is taking place at the SDA Academy in Sunny Acres, Castries.

The camp is to 100% funded by the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia. Several Rotarians function as presenters at workshops and help in other ways.

The 1. camp was for students ages 8-12. All campers have been selected by the RSLP and are deemed to need assistance for a wide range of reasons.

Pres. Chester welcomed the young campers with very high energy and inspiring remarks.

He asked the students on the spot to introduce each other and learn each others names.

He left them with the mandate to make the words **Please, Thank you, I am sorry, How can I help you** their daily habit during the camp and in life thereafter .



Before Commissioner of Police Vernon Francois addressed the young students and subsequently declared the camp officially open

A total of 42 campers were invited. Due to illness only over 30 attended the camp. In addition to the campers and a few Rotarians also the "Police Brass" was well represented



Presentations during the week included workshops facilitated by many Community Volunteers and Rotarians

Most if them were very interactive. They often highlighted the challenges faced by teachers and educators while highlighting the behavior and communications shortcomings of the students.

Here Dir. Selma and Rot Ginelle present on domestic violence and violence and emotional effects



Another talk by Hon. Rot. Senator Dr. Stephen King on conflict resolution



and by Ms. Modeste on sexual abuse



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## Rotary / RSLP Summer Youth Camps cont.

Police Officers also presented several topics - here on the types of drugs and abuse



A very important aspect of the activities were games - Outdoors



Indoors during the day



...and during the evening



On Friday the Police took the campers on a field trip to the wellness centre.

The 1. week of the Rotary / RSLP summer camp concluded with certificate presentations



Pres. Chester, Rot. Andre and PP Konrad were present to hand out the certificates of attendance to the campers. There was a marked difference in the conduct of the children at the end of the camp versus the first evening. Pres. Chester reminded the campers of what he had told them at the opening ceremony and encouraged them once again to take what they have learned during the camp sessions back to their home, schools and community and practice it hence forth.

Here are a few pictures from the certificates presentation and of camp life for week 1







## Rotary / RSLP Summer Youth Camps week 2



On Sunday August 3 the camp with the older students in ages ranging from 12-16 years.

Following the afternoon ice breaker organized by members of the Rotaract Club of Saint Lucia the 1. evening activity was an introduction to chess



In PP Leathon's absence PP Konrad conducted the workshop. With the older students and the assistance of the members of the Interact Club of SJC and SMC the participation and comprehension of the game was much better than with the 1. week's younger children

### Official start of the 2. week



At the opening ceremony Pres. Chester once again started the camp with a very high energy presentation. He talked about goals and leaders in other parts of the world drawing reference to US President Barack Obama.

In his comments he challenged the students to reach for their goals telling them that they were all winners and nobody was a loser or a failure. Pres. Chester implored the students to make the best of the camp and reach for their goals in life.



The second week is a repetition of the first week's program. The sessions are with very few exceptions conducted by the same presenters. In many ways the topics chosen and the very packed program is more suitable for the older students. The ability to concentrate and stay focused was somewhat limited with the younger campers. And it was at times challenging to keep them involved. Something to be considered for possible future camps.

### The 1. session on bullying was conducted by Ms. Fortuna Anthony



Ms. Anthony always delivers a sterling presentation and has a special way to reach the students. Here many years as an educator and Chief Education Officer are always put to very good use and benefit the youth.

### Another very interesting presentation was on "the dangers of the Internet by Rot. Ian



With the quality of the presentation and the timeliness of the subject the students were focused to a degree where one could have heard a pin drop. This is clearly a subject matter Rot. Ian is familiar with. He came very well prepared with powerpoint and video presentations and the campers certainly appreciated the discourse.















