



November 8, 2013 Edition

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 concerned?

Weekly Duties

	November 8	November 15	November 22
Meeting	Business meeting	Fellowship meeting	Speaker
Greeters	Chester Chris	Digby Frank	Ian Joanna
Prize	Andre	Gloria	Keith

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



Birthdays in November

Dr. Keith Scotland	November 4
Lorne Charles	November 6
Timothy James	November 15
Dr. Joe Simmons	November 19
Carole JnMarie	November 22
Malcolm Charles	November 23
Andre Cherebin	November 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>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 - Saturday November 2, 2013



This week was no regular meeting as we celebrated the 47th. Anniversary of our Charter in 1966



Meeting statistics

Attendance: 20 Rotarians 51 %
3 Visiting Rotarian
27 Guests

With 3 beautiful prizes donated by Sandals Grande and Diamonds International the raffle earned \$ 875.00

The ever eloquent Sergeant Bobby raised \$ 180.00

Who thinks Pres. Doddy and Serge Bobby had a good time?



Save these dates

- Rotary board meeting Tuesday November 5, 2013
- RC Gros Islet Golf Tournament, Saturday November 9, 2013



Rotary Calabashers Christmas Concert,
The Gaiety on Rodney Bay, Saturday December 7, 2013

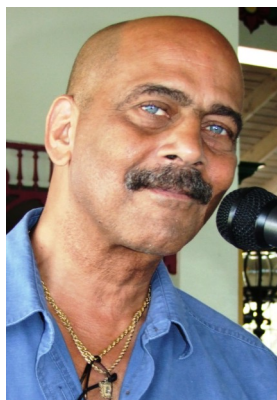
Tickets have gone on sale and all Rotarians are asked to promote this fundraiser and sell tickets to family and friends.

Corporate boxes and individual VIP tickets are available. These include food and drink. Volunteers willing to assist with food and beverage service are welcome

- Rotary ARC Tree planting Belle Vue, Vieux Fort on Saturday December 21, 2013
- Rotary Wine and Cheese Fiesta, Saturday February 8, 2014



The lucky Charter Dinner raffle prize winners were



Dir. Andre Cherebin
A day visit Sandals Grande



Mrs. Fortuna Anthony
A dinner at Sandals Grande



PP Anthony Bergasse
A lady's necklace from Diamonds Intl.

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Charter Dinner 2013

The 20 Rotarians together with their guests experienced one of the most enjoyable charter dinners in recent Memory.

With and extempo performance by Ezi Hall who had obtained some “skinny” on several members and expanded on them freely followed by a refreshingly very short address by Pres. Rudolph “Doddy” Francis the evening had a nice flow and finished earlier than similar previous occasions that often lasted up to midnight. The Royal St. Lucian team had set up the room very nicely and the food and beverage including the service was enjoyed by all present. Even the final attendance with 50 diners was spot on as reserved.



Here Ezi is joined briefly by Rot. Chester

Rotary says tank you to an outstanding citizen

Another of the evening's highlights was the awarding of the Rotary Community Service Award for 2013 to Mrs. Fortuna Anthony for her sterling contributions to education and community service in the UK as well as Saint Lucia.

She has in the past teamed with the Rotary Club on community projects like at the George Charles Secondary School.

Here she receives the Award from Pres. Doddy



The members and guests used the opportunity to “pretty up”

Including Dr. Aleric Soans, President of the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia South



And PP Dr. Azmina Long after quoting the 4 way test admitting that she was occasionally late for a meeting delivered the vote of thanks.



Dunottar students enjoy bouncy castle sponsored by the Rotary Club of Saint Lucia



Other remaining school activities include

November 22, 2013 Concert in Soufriere and on November 30, 2013 3.00 PM and 5.00 PM Movie Night

Chess is in the air

On Wednesday November 6. members of the Rotary Club met at Calabash Cove for the 1. chess lesson for Rotarians. It is anticipated that the group will grow with more members joining. Who knows maybe one day we can have our own “pop up” chess gatherings. Please join us the next time and bring your partner in service.



PE Gloria ready for a challenge



PP Leathon taking on young Andrew Daniels



Is Pres Diddy already challenging Master Albert?

The woodcutter

Once upon a time, a very strong woodcutter asked for a job in a timber merchant and he got it. The pay was really good and so was the work condition. For those reasons, the woodcutter was determined to do his best. His boss gave him an axe and showed him the area where he supposed to work. The first day, the woodcutter brought 18 trees. “Congratulations,” the boss said. “Go on that way!” Very motivated by the boss words, the woodcutter tried harder the next day, but he could only bring 15 trees. The third day he tried even harder, but he could only bring 10 trees. Day after day he was bringing less and less trees. “I must be losing my strength”, the woodcutter thought. He went to the boss and apologized, saying that he could not understand what was going on. “When was the last time you sharpened your axe?” the boss asked. “Sharpen? I had no time to sharpen my axe. I have been very busy trying to cut trees...”

Reflection: Our lives are like that. We sometimes get so busy that we don’t take time to sharpen the “axe”. In to-day’s world, it seems that everyone is busier than ever, but less happy than ever. Why is that? Could it be that we have forgotten how to stay “sharp”? There’s nothing wrong with activity and hard work. But we should not get so busy that we neglect the truly important things in life, like our personal life, taking time to get close to our Creator, giving more time for our family, taking time to read etc. We all need time to relax, to think and meditate, to learn and grow. If we don’t take the time to sharpen the “axe”, we will become dull and lose our effectiveness.

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