







# The Rotary Club of Saint Lucia "The Spoke"



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The 107th Convention of Rotary International - Seoul 29 May - 1 June 2016

# **Weekly Duties**

# 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?

	August 14	August 21	August 28
Meeting	Fellowship	Speaker	Vocational
	meeting	meeting	talk
Greeters	Frank	Joe	Leathon
	Konrad	Joanna	Lorne
Prize	lan	Keith	Leevie

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



# **Birthdays in August**

**Ginelle Nelson** 

August 22

#### **Board 2015-16**

President Vice President President Elect Immediate PP Secretary Treasurer Sergeant at Arms: Timothy James PP Albert Daniel PHF Selma St. Prix PP Chester Hinkson Selma St. Prix

PP Robert "Bobby" Frederick PHF

PP Carole Jn Marie PHF

# **Directors**

Club Administration: Community Service Vocational Service International Service Membership Service Youth Service: Rotary Foundation: Joanna Charles Steve Johnny PHF Andre Cherebin PHF PP Leathon Khan PHF PP Tim Moffat PHF Ginelle Nelson PP Malcolm Charles, PHF

## **District responsibilities**

Asst. District Governor PP Konrad F Wagner PHF
District Advisor (TRF) Major Gifts
Vice Chair IFRM D7020 & D7030 PAG Malcolm Charles PHF
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# Club Meeting - August 7, 2015



This was a business meeting

#### **Meeting statistics**

Attendance:

21 Rotarians

55 %

1 guest

Pres. Timothy J. chaired the meeting

Serge Carole raised \$ 91.00 The raffle donated by PP Digby was won

by Rot. Steve. It yielded \$ 100.00



#### Save the date

- August is Membership and New Club Development Month
- Saturday August 29, 2015 Rotary training for board members by PDG Lara at Calabash Cove
- September 19-20 Rotary Presidents conference and Leadership training in Antigua
- Rotary Calabashers Concert, "new date" Saturday November 28, 2015, National Cultural Centre
- Visit of DG Milton December 14-16, 2015
- 14th. Annual Wine & Cheese Fiesta Saturday February 6, 2016

#### **Honorary Rotarians**

Pres. Tim announced that some individuals have been invited to be Honorary Members of the Rotary club of Saint Lucia for 2015-15. H. E. Dame Pearlette Louisy, Governor General has already confirmed her acceptance in writing. Others should follow shortly.

There were no visiting Rotarians

We had one guest at the meeting

Karen R. Lutein Guest of Rot. David



Rotary International Global Grant officially approved

PP Leathon was formally advised that the Rotary Foundation has approved the US\$ 30,000 studying grant as initiated by the Rotary Clubs of Atlanta and Saint Lucia



#### **Dunnottar School students are off to Martinique**

On Sunday August 9, 2015 students and teachers from the Dunnottar school departed for a visit to Martinique.

The trip is being coordinated with Rotary Clubs in Martinique.





PP Konrad saw them off on l'Express des isles ...and they arrived safely in Fort de France More pictures to come soon..........

#### Notes from the Directors reports



presented goals and initiatives for the new Rotary year as follows

- Improve and Broaden Rotary education

Dedicate 1 lunch meeting per month to Rotary information/education
 Conduct training for Directors and new Rotarians

Improve information in the spoke to ensure there is always an educational component

Enhance Revenue Base by diversifying fund raising activities
 1 major event per quarter to achieve 100% increase in club funds by year end
 Club Administration Committee and Treasurer to foster more effective camaraderie

by Organizing 4 Fellowship events for the year

- Conduct three 3 club assemblies 1 per quarter
- Support membership development and retention and engagement

- Ensure lunch meetings and other club events are fun and well organized and appeal to a cross section of members

- Encourage member participation at all club events as per calendar of events and meeting.

Achieve 100% completion schedule of events
- Identify a voluntary committee with PPs Frank, Joe and Leathon to confirm guest speakers

- PP Tim noted that some of the above points fall into Membership!

## Dir. Andre Cherebin, Vocational Service; announced the activities planned for the coming Rotary year

Four Way Test Signs- get 4 made up for schools

**Vocational Talks to schools** 

**Career Guidance Booklets** 

Vocational Visits to the new Hospital or a WASCO Treatment Plant, the Deglos Land Fill, the Blue Waters Bottling Plant, Bordelais Correctional Facility the Windward and Leeward Brewery etc.

**Vocational Service Month-January** 

Vocational Community Awards
Vocational Awards for 3 Sir Arthur Lewis Community College graduates

#### Dir. Timothy Moffat, Club Membership;

- indicated how his committees responsibility was to engage existing members as well as attract new members - He commented on the average age of members and how it has increased over the years. If this trend continues the club will run our of new leaders.

Dir. Tim encouraged members once again to visit the on-line R. I. Learning Centre

- He appealed to Rotarians to participate in webinars. All members will benefit from this approach.

#### Dir. Steve Johnny, Community Service:

Dir. Steve expressed his appreciation for the good participation in the Emancipation Day lunch.
He thanked Rot. Paul for the cooking, PP Chris was the donated water, Rot. Mark for the tables, PP Konrad for the linen and ice and all other participants for being there.
In an update on the District Dyslexia initiative he advised that his committee is working on bringing a special

teacher to Saint Lucia to train 15 teachers. Initial talks are being held with the RC of Barking, England for possible cooperation or sponsorship.

During questions PP Joe suggested also Barbados could be explored for training resources.

## Dir. Rudolph "Doddy" Francis. Public Relations:

Dir. Doddy advised that the piece on the handover is awaiting high res pictures
 However 2 articles on the handover and the PC donation should come out this week.
 Another story on the Emancipation Poverty Lunch should be ready for publishing next week.

He inquired of the whereabouts of Marius Modest and was advised the he had been out of state for a few

During questions PP Tim suggested the more active use of social media. Doddy advised that he did not use Facebook etc. and welcomed any help in this regard. Tim stated how it was just a matter of sending

# Dir. Robert "Bobby" Frederick, Treasurer:

- introduced as "the money man" by Pres Tim, Dir. Bobby confirmed that all account balances had been e-mailed to members.

He thanked Rot. Mark for "adjusting" the charter dinner invoice to the actual number of diners.

He also mandated Rotarians to be in future more responsible in their communications concerning attendance.

- While the charity finances are far from dismal they are not as robust as they could be since the club had only 1 very successful fundraising event last year. There is a need to focus on meaningful fundraisers.

- The charity account cushion is app. \$ 90,000

- Treasurer Bobby again appealed to members to clear up their payable balances to the club.

As per the bylaws, a member's credit limit should never exceed \$500.

So if you receive a payment, please just pay accordingly.

During questions PP Tim inquired about the revenue from this year's fundraiser time frame of use. He was advised the funds raised this year are for use in 2016-17.

There was no report for The Rotary Foundation and Youth Services/New Generation.

However there was something about dress and shoes coordination?!















#### How to "know" Rotary just a little better - and have some fun!



In 1905 Chicago attorney Paul Harris organized the first Rotary meeting on 23 February, which lead shortly thereafter to the formation of what?

- A. The Rotary Club of Chicago.
- **B.** The Rotary Club
- C. Rotary International

In 1915-16 the first non-English speaking Rotary Club was Chartered in what Country?

- A. Quebec—Canada
- B. Cuba
- C. Germany

In 1945-46 Forty-nine active Rotarians gathered in San Francisco, USA to help a meeting of world leaders draft what?

- A. The territorial outlines of the new state of for Israel
- **B.** The Rotary International Manual of Procedures
- C. United Nations Charter

What is the oldest program of the Rotary International Foundation?

- A. Ambassadorial Scholarships [Established in 1947 ???]
- B. Seat at the United Nations in New York (Established 1948 ???)
- C. Rotary Group Study Exchange (Established 1951 ???)

What Club made Rotary "International" and in what Year?

- A. Rotary Club of London, England in 1909 ???
- B. Rotary Club of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada in 1910 ???
- C. Rotary Club of Toronto, Canada 1908 ???

Name the 5 Avenues of Service.

- A. International Service, Community Service, Vocational Service, Rotaract, Interact
- B. International Service, Community Service, Vocational Service, New Generations, Service above Self
- C. Club Service, International Service, Community Service, Vocational Service, New Generations

#### A little guiz in the Spoke - the answers from last week

- A. When do you think the first 24 hours telephone merchandise ordering system was introduced? Harrods, UK
- B. When do you believe such a service was made available. 1904
- C. What do you know the "Confederate flag" to look like?



This is the stars and bars. The 1. Confederate flag that flew over the Confederate capital and other Confederate Government buildings. On March 4 1861 the Southern States approved the new Confederate flag. The originally 7 stars grew to 13 as state after state seceded from the Union.

The problem was that at 200 yards during the smoke filled battle of Bull run in 1861 it looked too much like the stars and stripes causing confusion. It resulted in Confederates shooting Confederates and Unionists shooting Unionists. To solve the problem a new flag was commissioned to be used on the battle fields.



This is not the Confederate flag. It is also not the "Stars and Bars". It is the Beauregard Battle flag. Confederate General Pierre G. Beauregard had commissioned the flag for use on the battle ground. It was originally a 4' x 4' square sporting a blue "X" festooned with 13 white stars running from corner to corner.

No one ever mixed up the Beauregard Battle flag with the Stars and Stripes during battles.

With the loss of General Robert E. Lee and the Confederate Army naturally the Confederate flag "Stars and Bars" disappeared !— almost