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Rotary Club of Amman West

Requests the honor of your attendance to our
Club Assembly

**Official Visit of District Governor
Usama Barghouthi & his wife Lina**

on Wednesday Sept 14, 2011

Reception starts at 7:30 and session starts at 8 00 pm **SHARP**

Venue: Landmark Hotel

Dress Code :

Formal Dress with TIE/ with PIN Pls

Please extend the invitation to your Spouses

RSVP - Please confirm attendance to the H Secretary

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Happy Birthday
September 13th
Jude Waseem
Zurub

Happy
Anniversary
September 15th
Ala&Mervat Haddad

Rotary Quote of the week

"But he who has once given himself to
dreaming is not easily satisfied."

Paul Harris

Dates to remember

September 15 – 16- District Membership
Development Seminar- Lebanon

September 21- Joint Meeting with
RC Amman Jerash, Guest Speaker
Director of KfW Office
Mrs. Bettina Tewinkel

Business Meeting #2 - Meeting Number 8..

The second Business meeting of RC of Amman West was kicked off on September 7 with the Rotarian Manal Wazani as Sergeant- in- Arms and introducing the club's Guests. This meeting was in preparation for the District Governor's visit next week, but this meeting was alive with Guest speakers and information. The President started with rotary notices and then gave the floor to **PP Bisher Zuriekat** to introduce the **DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR** and venues. Then our own **PP Hania Kabariti** provided a brief on the **76th DISTRICT 2450 CONFERENCE in AQABA (17-20 May 2012)**. Once all the notices were completed the meeting was transferred to Deputy District Governor Othman Nashashibi, as he reviewed the Club Goals & Planning Guide for 2011-12 and asked each of the Committee Heads or their representatives about their objectives as follows:

Club Administration – Diala Al-Alami (Khaled Asfour is abroad)

Public Relations - Hisham Hawari

Membership PP Halim Abu-Rahmeh

Rotary Foundation - PP Alaa Haddad

Club Service projects- Rima Tantash

The meeting was concluded with a special thank you from the Deputy Governor and a big good luck to achieve all that was set forth. The meeting had a 68.7 % attendance.





**DISTRICT
MEMBERSHIP
DEVELOPMENT
SEMINAR**

**DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP
DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR**
September 15-16, 2011
at LE ROYAL HOTEL, Dbayeh
LEBANON

Need a last minute registration
Contact

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Other District Events

- Rotary Foundation
November 17 to 19,
2011
Dubai, UAE
- Leadership Seminar
May 17, 2012



GSE Team from District 5500 Arizona, U.S.A

Jihad G Bashoura from GSE Committee – Jordan advises that our district will be hosting GSE (Group Study Exchange) team during the months of **November and December**, and Jordan will have the pleasure of hosting the team from District 5500 (Arizona, U.S.A) **from the 29th of November 2011 till the 5th of December 2011**.

The team will be composed of five members, and you can find below the details provided about them from their district

Team Leader: Hugh C. Thompson, MD, is the Rotary District 5500 team leader of the 2011-2012 a resident of Tucson, Arizona, USA and General Orthopedic Surgeon, retired. I was born in Albany New York. My parents moved to Tucson, AZ in 1938 where I have spent most of my life. I received my B.A and M.D. from Yale University and Yale Medical School. My surgical training was completed at Grace New Haven Hospital and my Orthopedic training at Columbia Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Two years in the US Army were spent in Vietnam and Ft. Huachuca, Arizona, USA. Subsequently, I practiced general orthopedics in Tucson with three other doctors. I am happily married to Allyn. Together we have five children and nine grandchildren living nearby. We enjoy our family and get together often. Rotary enriches my life. I have been involved with the Rotary Club of Tucson for twenty two years, serving as its president in 1997-98. Some highlights of my life include:

- Being an alternate on the USA Olympic Rowing Team, 1956.
- Receiving the RI Service Above Self Medal.
- Being a Hospice volunteer for 16 years.
- After my running hobby was sidelined by injuries, I found hiking the Tucson Mountains exciting.
- I continue my personal spiritual quest and am active in my church.
- After retirement from medicine I found a new passion in carving stone sculpture.
- Other joys and highlights include family, reading, travel, friends, gardening and the changing world.

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Team Member: Andrea Gwen Gardner is an Adjustment Case Manager of the Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest Refugee Resettlement Program in Tucson, Arizona, USA. Originally from the state of Oklahoma, Andrea moved to Tucson, Arizona, in the summer of 2010 after serving as a U.S. Peace Corps Volunteer in the Republic of Azerbaijan. She has bachelor’s degrees in International Business and German and a master’s degree in Government. She has worked in the public, private and non-profit sectors, including 5½ years with the federal government and freelancing as a business consultant.

Team Member: Melanie F. Emerson is the Executive Director of Sky Island Alliance, a southwest US and northwest Mexico non-profit conservation organization, and has lived in Tucson, Arizona, for 10 years. Originally from upstate New York, she received her B.S. with honors in environmental science from the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse. She received her MA in conflict resolution from Antioch University McGregor, focusing on transboundary environmental conflicts. During her 17-year professional career, Melanie has worked in the public, private, non-profit and academic sectors both domestically and abroad, with a diversity of experience in the environmental and social justice arenas.

Team Member: Phoebe Ann Mills is the Wellness Director of the Tucson Indian Center. Phoebe has worked with multiple urban Indian communities, including currently at the Tucson Indian Center, previously in New York City at the American Indian Community House as the Behavioral Health Program Coordinator, and in the San Francisco Bay Area at the Native American Health Center as a Prenatal Clinician. She has also worked with the Oklahoma City Indian Clinic and other urban programs while she worked at the National Indian Child Welfare Association in Portland, Oregon as a Community Development Specialist.

- **Team Member: Veronica Ann Boone** is the Social Services Director at the Tucson Indian Center. She is Navajo/Laguna from the Navajo reservation. I am married to my husband, Anthony (a Civil Engineer and also Navajo) and our 2 boys, 14-year-old Phillip and 9-year-old Morgan. We live in our home in Sahaurita, AZ. We also have family still living on the Navajo reservation. Anthony and I met at the University of Arizona and have been together since.



GOLA – Gift of Life Amman .. A Rotary Initiative

For the 3rd year Hamleys is forming a relationship with the non-profit charity GOLA – Gift of Life Amman. GOLA aims to finance life-saving heart surgeries to correct congenital heart defects for underprivileged children.

On Sep 20th GOLA will be holding a ‘Tastings Party – Saving Little Hearts’ at the National Gallery Gardens in JabalWebdeh, hosted by the Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts. Guests will enjoy a selection of wine, beer and signature specialties prepared by the finest food and wine establishments of Amman. The purpose of this event is to raise as much money for GOLA as possible

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT, COSMO AND HAMLEYS
FOR MORE INFO PLZ CALL 079 982 8549 OR 077 682 0448

RI General Secretary John Hewko meets with Bill Gates on polio eradication Rotary International News -- 9 September 2011

General Secretary and CEO of Rotary International John Hewko (right) met with Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, 7 September in Seattle, Washington, USA, to discuss moving forward together to eradicate polio.



General Secretary and CEO of Rotary International John Hewko met with Bill Gates, cochair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, 7 September in Seattle, Washington, USA, to discuss moving forward together to eradicate polio and continuing to energize Rotarians to see the eradication effort through to the finish.

"The meetings at the Gates Foundation were very productive," Hewko says. "Bill Gates recognized the enormous contribution of Rotary to the cause of polio eradication and the tremendous capacity of Rotarians to continue the fight. We identified several concrete opportunities to work even more closely together to achieve our mutual goal of a polio-free world."

Polio eradication is within reach. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) has made significant steps forward since the launch last year of its new strategic plan and the bivalent oral polio vaccine. Among the four polio-endemic countries, India has reported only one case of the disease so far this year. A recent report by the GPEI Independent Monitoring Board, while noting some concerns in meeting GPEI goals, nevertheless stated that India is "on track to interrupt transmission this year."

Polio cases worldwide decreased almost 50 percent during the first six months of 2011, compared with the same period in 2010.

Rotarians are raising funds for polio eradication as part of Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge to match \$355 million in grants from the Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will support immunization campaigns in developing countries where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk.

Rotarians can help end the disease by providing funding and reminding their communities and government leaders that polio still exists and causes tremendous suffering.

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