



Club Charter Date

June 22, 1995

Club Number

30893

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2452 Rotary Int'l

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Tuesday, December 3 -- Business Meeting at the Phoenicia Hotel : RT Rana Salhab Classification Talk

RT Rana Salhab, maiden-name Ghandour, BS in Public Health and MBA, joined RCBC on July 6, 2013. Her professional classification is Human Resource (HR) Management.

She spent her early career years in education then joined Andersen, starting as HR Manager and HR Consultant in Egypt, then became HR Director, Growing Economies Region, based in Geneva.

Recruited in 2003 by Deloitte as Regional HR Director, Middle East (working out of Lebanon and responsible for 16 countries and 22 offices) she became ME Talent & Communications Partner in 2006, responsible for HR, Brand and Communications, Public Relations, Social Media, Corporate Responsibility, and Diversity Programs.



RT Rana borrowed from her work in HR consulting to describe how one of the key preconditions for corporate success had evolved from: "Are Employees Happy" (1990s) to "Are Employees Motivated" (2000s) to "Are Employees Engaged and Enabled?" (Today)

She urged her fellow members in RCBC and other ROTARY clubs to ponder and debate the question: "ARE WE ENGAGED AND ENABLED?" As for "How do we know?", she offered the following indicators:

- Trust & Integrity: "I trust the leadership"
- Recognition: "My RC appreciates and values its members"
- Leadership: "I believe my RC has an outstanding future"
- Vision: "My RC leadership has and communicates a vision of the future that motivates me"
- Communication: "At my RC, there is open and honest two-way communication"
- Performance Management: "I think my RC is doing a good job of retaining its most talented members"
- Recognition: "My RC recognizes high performing people"
- Diversity & Inclusion: "At my RC, my ideas and suggestions count"
- Future Vision: "My RC is making the changes necessary to perform effectively"
- Communications: "The leadership of my RC does a good job of communicating the reasons behind the important changes made"

RCBC Website

www.rcbclebanon.org

RCBC Facebook Page

www.facebook.com/beirutcosmopolitan

***RCBC meets Tuesdays at the Phoenicia Hotel, Ain-Mreisseh, Beirut
Business Meetings at 7:00 PM — Dinner Meetings at 8:30 PM***

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We welcome your comments and suggestions.



Saturday December 14 – Christmas Dinner at Le Gray Hotel

This fellowship event was graced by a number of guests including fellow Rotarians and other friends. Shown below (from Left to Right) are RT Walter Day and P Amal Talhouk of RC Sahel Aley, P Mounir Jabre of RCBC and his spouse RT Riman Jabre of RC Beirut Center, then Mr. Roger Chaccour and Mrs. Hulla Chaccour, guests of RT Samir El Khoury of RCBC.



The photo to the LHS below, taken from the window of the Le Gray Roof, is a breathtaking view of the trees in the center of Beirut, lit up joyfully to celebrate Christmas.

Shown in the RHS photo below are (from Left to Right) Mrs. Hindi spouse of former RCBC member Mr. Antoine Hindi, Mrs. Tania Naamani spouse of PP Karim Naamani of RCBC, Mrs. Marlene Baroud, spouse of former RCBC member Mr. Antoine Baroud; then Mrs. Rita Rassie, spouse of PP Edouard Rassie of RCBC.



Rotary Acronyms for Non-Rotarians

RI: Rotary International

TRF: The Rotary Foundation

RC: Rotary Club

RCBC: Rotary Club of Beirut Cosmopolitan

RT: Rotarian

P: President - IP: Incoming President - VP: Vice President - PE: President Elect - PP: Past President

D: District - DG: District Governor - IDG: Incoming DG - DDG: Deputy DG - ADG: Assistant DG



Saturday December 14 – Christmas Dinner at Le Gray Hotel , continued ...

Shown in the RHS photo are RT Elie Rebeiz of RCBC and his guests: From Left to Right Mrs. Najwa Karaa, Mrs. Rita Dabaghian, Mr. Andre Karaa, RT Elie Rebeiz; Mr. Akram Saade, Mr. Tony Dabaghian, Mrs. Tania Rebeiz, spouse of RT Elie Rebeiz, and Mrs. Randa Saade.



From Left to Right in the second photo to the RHS are Mrs. Lolla Beyrouti, PP Habib Bassoul, Mrs. Samia Hakimian, RT Edouard Hakimian, Mrs. Adella Bassoul , Mr. Robert Khoury, Mrs. Mireille Khoury then DDG and RCBC PP George Beyrouti.



The third photo to the RHS shows members of an "a-capella" choral ensemble who (courtesy of RT Mona Jarudi of RCBC) regaled us all with their musicality. In the foreground of this photo -- from Left to Right, are PP George Theodory of RCBC and his spouse Randa, then RCBC PP Tony Asfour.



The fourth photo to the RHS shows RCBC PP Raouf Malak and his spouse Miriam.





Tuesday December 17, 2013 — Club Assembly at the Phoenicia Hotel



Before convening the RCBC General Assembly, RCBC P Mounir Jabre (see photo to LHS) welcomed RT Mazen Abou Nasr of RC Dearborn Heights, Michigan, USA, a Lebanese national, and exchanged banners with him. Mr. Abou Nasr visited our meeting in the company of Rima Abou Mrad, PP 2011-2012 of the RotarAct Club de Beyrouth (see photo to RHS).



During the General Assembly proper, the members of RCBC elected the following Officers and Directors to the board for Rotary Year 2014-2015:

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| 1. President | Lina Shair |
| 2. Immediate Past President | Mounir Jabre |
| 3. President Elect | Christine Arzoumanian |
| 4. Vice President | Joe Boulos |
| 5. Club Secretary | Mimi Hamam |
| 6. Director | Tony Asfour |
| 7. Director | Georges Beyrouthi |
| 8. Director | Elie Rebeiz |
| 9. Director | George Theodory |

Many Happy Birthday Returns to

RT Ernest Baduy, December 9

RT Yervant Hakimian, December 4

RT Nazira Hariri, December 4

PP Subhi Jarudi, December 7



Saturday December 21, 2013 — Orphans Xmas Party at Le Teleferique, Jounieh

In what has become an annual tradition, over 100 orphans were entertained by RCBC to a Xmas party, albeit this year in a new setting, the "Teleferique", a cable-car link between Jounieh, a seaside town of North of Beirut, and the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lebanon in Harissa, 530 meters above sea-level. Shown RHS is what is referred to "The Paradise on Earth" view of the Teleferique dominating the bay of Jounieh on the Mediterranean



The Teleferique was launched in 1965 by the father of PP Joe Boulos of RCBC who, with his sister Mrs. Vivianne Boulos Tolan (see LHS photo below) invited RCBC to use the Teleferique to host this year's Xmas party, as well as future parties, for orphans.

Shown in the RHS photo below is RT Nabil Challah who is responsible for organizing RCBC parties for orphans. Shown in the two photos at the bottom of the page are happy children, to the LHS being entertained by a wizard available courtesy of Mrs. Boulos Tolan.





Monday December 30 -- Fellowship Event at the Vendome Hotel

In accordance with tradition RCBC members and their friends came together at year end for a fellowship event. Shown in the LHS photo below to the right of RT Yervant Hakimian of RCBC are his son Yves Hakimian and his daughter Edith Hakimian with their friend from Canada Mr. Louis Lavoie. In the RHS photo below are RCBC PP Tony Asfour, Mr. Michel Hamam, husband of RT Mimi Hamam of RCBC, then guest Ms. Houri Elmayan, formerly RCBC.



Shown in the LHS photo below is RT Rabab Safieddine from RC Saida, while the photo to the RHS shows (from L to R) RT Samir El Khoury, PP Edouard Rassie, PP Subhi Jaroudi and PP Asaad Salhab, all RCBC.





Fellowship Event, cont...

Also from RCBC were (RHS photos) RT Mazen Farra, P Mounir Jabre, RT Kamal Saad and his spouse Eva; then in the photos below (L to R) PP Habib Bassoul, Mrs. Lolitta Khoury spouse of RT Samir, Mrs. Mary Asfour, spouse of PP Tony, RT Riman Jabre of RC Beirut Center, spouse of P Mounir, then RT Mimi Hamam.



RCBC Rotary Foundation Committee Chair PP Tony Asfour advises that our Club has established twinning relations with 10 other RCs:

1. RC Amman Cosmopolitan, Jordan, D 2450 (now D 2452)
2. RC Dubai, United Arab Emirates, D 2450 (now D 2452)
3. RC Charlotte South, North Carolina, U.S.A, D 7680
4. RC Bluefield, Virginia, U.S.A, D 7570
5. RC Brookhaven, Georgia, U.S.A, D 6900
6. RC Newport, Wales, D 1150
7. RC Bookham and Horsley, England, D 1250
8. RC Wasserburg, Germany, D 1840
9. RC Valle Caudina, Italy, D 2100
10. RC Napoli Posillipo, Italy, D 2100