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30893

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“Letter from the Editor”

A Ray of Hope

Earlier this month, RCBC hosted Dr. Jabbra president of LAU as a guest speaker. In his introductory remarks, Dr. Jabbra referred to our club and Rotary in general as a Ray of Hope in the midst of a country and region filled with conflict, poverty and multiple layers of society in dire need of help.

Rotary in Lebanon is an oasis with one common goal to help people in need, alleviate pain and suffering for those in need. The plethora of projects, with help of local and international partners, we executed is a source of pride that we, in our own little way, is lending a hand to help. We all should be proud of what we have accomplished and that should inspire us all to continue doing more the years ahead.

We all should be thankful and fulfilled to be Rotarians, that we are making a difference in a society that is in an urgent need of our help and indeed, we are a Ray of Hope.

On behalf of RCBC members, I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful and happy New Year. With the help of all, the march goes on.



P Mona Jarudi

CORE VALUES



Core Values

Rotary's core values represent the guiding principles of the organization's culture, including what guides members' priorities and actions within the organization. Values are an increasingly important component in strategic planning because they drive the intent and direction of the organization's leadership.

Service

We believe that our service activities and programs bring about greater world understanding and peace. Service is a major element of our mission. Through the plans and actions of individual clubs, we create a culture of service throughout our organization that provides unparalleled satisfaction for those who serve.

Fellowship

We believe that individual efforts focus on individual needs, but combined efforts serve humanity. The power of combined efforts knows no limitation, multiplies resources, and broadens our lives and perspectives. Fellowship leads to tolerance and transcends racial, national, and other boundaries.

Diversity

We believe Rotary unifies all people internationally behind the ideal of service. We encourage diversity of vocations within our membership and in our activities and service work. A club that reflects its business and professional community is a club with a key to its future.

Integrity

We are committed to and expect accountability from our leaders and fellow members, both in the results of our efforts and in the processes we use to accomplish our goals. We adhere to high ethical and professional standards in our work and personal relationships. We are fair and respectful in our interactions, and we conscientiously steward the resources entrusted to us.

Leadership

We are a global fellowship of individuals who are leaders in their fields of endeavor. We believe in the importance of leadership development and in leadership as a quality of our members. As Rotarians, we are leaders in implementing our core values.

All of these core values are reflected in the Object of Rotary and The Four-Way Test, which we use in our daily lives. They inspire us to foster and support the ideal of service for developing and maintaining high ethical standards in human relations.

Business meeting with Dr. Joseph Jabbra

"Innovation in Education"

Tuesday December 4, 2018

RCBC was privileged to have Dr. Joeseeph Jabbara, President of Lebanese American University (LAU) as its guest speaker. Dr. Jabbra received his Law degree from Université St. Joseph in Beirut and his PHD in Political Science from the Catholic University in Washington DC. He assumed the presidency of LAU in 2004.

Previous to that he held senior positions at Loyola University in the US and St. Mary's University in Halifax, Canada. In his remarks, Dr. Jabbra pondered the role of higher education in light of, what he described, the breathtaking advances in nanotechnology, Biotechnology and artificial Intelligence. To meet those challenges, LAU has decided to transform itself from the traditional role of a university to become an Innovation center to equip the new generation with the tools that would allow them to succeed in the new world.



It has redefined the role of a professor from being the "high Priest" of knowledge to a mentor and facilitator in this new world of interactive learning. In this new age of learning equipping the new generation with the spirit and tools of becoming true entrepreneurs. To accomplish this, different faculties need to work and talk to each other to customize learning and equip the new generation with the tools they need to succeed in this new world order.

Christmas Dinner

Tuesday December 11, 2018

RCBC members celebrated the holiday season in a most festive evening. A choral group led the Christmas carols, which some members joyfully joined in. Our club happens to boast of two tenors, Tony Asfour and Kamal Saad, whose renditions with the chorale was delightful. The evening showcased the spirit of fellowship and camaraderie at its best!







Christmas Celebration - Kidzmondo

Tuesday December 14, 2018

RCBC has a long standing tradition of sharing the joy of Christmas season with children less fortunate than others. This year, we hosted 83 children from the Joint Christian Committee for Social Services in the Dbayeh camp.

The children arrived to Kidzmondo by buses escorted by thirteen supervisors. They were treated to an afternoon of limitless games, Burger King meals and culminating in receiving gifts purchased with heart.

Nothing beats the feeling of seeing a smile on a child's face. We always strive to do more for humanity and to uphold Rotary motto of Service Above Self.



Generous donations by RCBC members made this celebration possible. Many heartfelt thanks to the Service Projects committee and to the dedication of our club treasurer who was tireless in executing this event.



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RCBC General Assembly

Tuesday December 18, 2018

On Tuesday December 18, 2018, RCBC members met in a General Assembly to elect the new Board for Rotary Year 2019-2020:

President: Adib Mounla

V. President: Joe Boulos

IPP: Mona Jarudi

P. Nominee (2020-2021): Habib Saba

Club Treasurer: Mohammad Baltaji

Club Secretary: Sona Kourtian

Directors:

Edouard Rassie

Mimi Hamam

Nadim Hissen



CONFERENCES / CONVENTIONS / EVENTS

DISTRICT CONFERENCE (2452): MAY 1-4, 2019

BEIRUT- LEBANON

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION JUNE, 2019

HAMBURG – GERMANY

Many Happy Birthday Returns

Edouard Hakimian - December 04

Subhi Jarudi - December 07

Wael Hamdan - December 22

The End