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Message from
RI President

Lessons from the tea master

Jennifer E. Jones
RI President 2022/23

I will never forget the gift of meeting tea master Genshitsu Sen during my trip to Japan in November. Not only is Sen the former grand master of the Urasenke tea tradition, but he is also an accomplished Rotarian. Those accomplishments include helping charter the Rotary Club of Kyoto-South, Japan, serving as president of the Rotary Club of Kyoto and governor of District 2650, and holding leadership roles in Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.

It was an honor to spend time with him. He is a remarkable human being and a joyful soul. And his leadership and engagement in Rotary remain strong.

During that same week in Japan, I had the opportunity to record a video for a 100-year-old World War II naval hero and two-time Rotary district governor from Park City, Utah.

Sen and the Rotarian from Park City shared similar stories, though they served on opposing sides of the war.

What was remarkable to me was that each of them chose Rotary to live lives of peacemaking. It struck me that we are all on this planet simply trying to do our best, and we are much more similar than we are different.

I feel incredibly fortunate to be able to witness these stories and meet such incredible people.

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Peace Taremwa
District Governor
2022/23



Message from District Governor

Let me take this opportunity to welcome you to the month that marks the end of the second to last quarter of this Rotary year 2022 -2023. We are trudging along so well on all fronts. I am happy to report that I have completed all my visits in Tanzania, where I have had the privilege to experience the wonderful works of our brothers and sisters in our journey of service. My sincere appreciation goes to the team that traveled for their commitment, sacrifice, and resources.

In the same spirit, I want to thank each person and club that contributed to the success of the 2023 Interact RYLA. The students and schools that attended did not leave the same. I'd like to thank you for remaining true to our vision for youth. The more we mentor, the better we will have great leaders in this district now and in the future.

I welcome you to yet another month of the Rotary calendar where we cast a glance at one of the most important aspects of human life. Friends, the issues surrounding water and sanitation are central to the existence of man. When we look at our country, Uganda, you will realize that we are grappling with issues of lack of access to clean water. Approximately 19% of Ugandans only have access to streams, ponds, and unprotected hand-dug wells as sources of drinking water. The water crisis in Uganda also results in 32% of Ugandans having to travel more than 30 minutes to access safe drinking water. The excess time that people spend on water provision hinders their ability to work, maintain the household, and take care of children. Water and sanitation are essential for life and health, but they are

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I'd like to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of the Visionary Presidents, Assistant governors, Committee Chairs, Rotarians, and rotaractors who attended the mid-year celebration. It was indeed time for us to account for our stewardship.”

also essential for dignity, empowerment, and prosperity. Water and sanitation are human rights, fundamental to every child and adult.

We, as Rotarians, are called upon to intervene in this sickening situation. Our initiatives are dormant and should come alive and address these challenges. In the recent past, I want to appreciate clubs that have partnered with USAID to implement sustainable, long-term programs to improve

water supplies, sanitation, and hygiene in our country. I also want to thank the clubs that have applied for the second phase of the RI-USAID WASH project. You are championing a great cause. By leveraging local resources in Uganda, USAID is driving innovative solutions to change sanitation and hygiene behaviors and prevent disease and is supporting over 400 community health workers across the country. I implore other clubs to jump on this initiative and work with international partners to tackle this challenge by applying for these grants. This will help us promote the inclusion of women, youth, and indigenous communities in water resource governance. Generating awareness of these roles and turning them into action will lead to win-win results and increased sustainability and integrity for both human and ecological systems. We have provided counseling on proper handwashing and the benefits of using latrines. Rotary has also empowered local communities with the knowledge and skills necessary to sell locally manufactured safe toilets. These projects have brought clean water to the less privileged members of our society.

My spirited Rotarians, it's that time of the year when we start packing our bags to hit the road rolling for the 98th District Conference and Assembly to celebrate the achievements of our visionary year. I love you all, and I can't wait to visit with you next month in Mbarara. Happy New Month.

Easter is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ in the Christian religion.

Eggs have been seen as ancient symbol of fertility, while springtime is considered to bring new life and rebirth.

Americans spend \$1.9 billion on Easter candy. That's the second biggest candy holiday after Halloween.

70% of Easter candy purchased is chocolate.

76% of Americans think the ears of a chocolate bunny should be the first to be eaten.

Egg dyes were once made out of natural items such as onion peels, tree bark, flower petals, and juices.

Facts about Easter

There's much debate about the practice of dyeing chicks. Many hatcheries no longer participate, but others say that it isn't dangerous to the chick's health because the dye only lasts until the chicks shed their fluff and grow their feathers.

The first story of a rabbit (later named the "Easter Bunny") hiding eggs in a garden was published in 1680.

Easter takes place on a Sunday, after the 40-day period called Lent. Lent is referred to as a time of fasting, but participants focus more on giving up one significant indulgence.

Holy Week is the celebrated during the week leading up to Easter. It begins on Palm Sunday, continues on to Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and then finally, Easter Sunday.

"The White House Easter Egg Roll" event has been celebrated by the President of the United States and their families since 1878.







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