



We Fellowship Every Thursday, 7pm







### Visionary President Herbert's Note



I congratulate everyone for successfully finishing Jan. 2023 in good health. We all celebrate and usher in February. As we reflect on the achievements of 2022 a year with a lot of challenges, we thank the almighty that we were able to sail through. As a rotary family, we continue to do well in our communities and as matter-of-fact 2023 provides us an opportunity to reach out to the needy in a bigger way. We will continue executing the projects we started on.

Am very grateful to all the members of rotary club of Nateete and all other friends of rotary for their generosity in contributing towards the projects.

In December we were able to fundraise for our LARCHE community who have a dire need of a solar powered water system. Am very optimistic that this should be concluded this year of 2023.

In February we will have our signature fundraiser, the fashion show, all proceeds will be towards our Luuka project. I call upon each one of us to participate as this will be a fun filled day.

I once again thank you all for the big hearts you have towards humanity.







### Empowering girls is about more than creating equity

Jennifer E. Jones RI President 2022/23

Recently, I spent time in the Nakivale refugee settlement in Uganda. As the "settlement" in its name suggests, the people living there are free to move around and integrate as best they can — one thing that makes the place unique.

I had a chance to play soccer with boys and girls from about a dozen nations and talk with women who had fled areas of conflict. It was a tapestry of human experience shared through both laughter and tears.

As I walked across a school campus at the settlement with a teacher, she shared with me the dire statistics on girls' education. Most don't get through grade school. Many

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are sold into child marriage to pay for food for their families. As I looked around at these young girls, I was gutted.

Our work with empowering girls and women is much more than creating equity — sometimes, it's about health or education. Other times it's about providing safety. Regardless of the path, it's always about basic human rights.

We can do more to empower girls and women, and we can expand how we share the progress Rotary members and our partners have made toward this goal.

There is no shortage of inspiring examples of our work, from interest-free microcredit loans for women in Nigeria, to projects in India that provide girls menstrual hygiene products. Hundreds of projects are taking place across all Rotary areas of focus and are making a meaningful and often lifesaving difference.

Together, we can address the needs and inequities that girls throughout the world face daily. But we must also monitor the impact of these projects and create awareness of Rotary resources and subject matter experts, including Rotary Action Groups, The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers, Rotary Peace Fellows, and others.

It is especially important that we tell the stories of our initiatives that have a positive impact on the lives of women and girls. This last point is near and dear to my heart. This means sharing our stories on social media, through local news outlets, in this magazine, and wherever we can inspire others.

As you do so, it's important to provide information that helps our Rotary family connect with others who are implementing activities in their regions, as well as across the world. Let's share our successes and learn from one another — then proudly tell our stories to a larger audience.

These are exciting times in Rotary, and the world is taking notice. As we work to empower women and girls to step into their full potential, we create new pathways for membership growth and greater collaboration with partners to create positive, lasting change.

Thank you for your continued action in this vital effort.

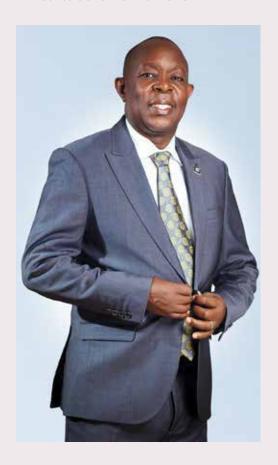


### Message from

### **District Governor**

Peace Taremwa

District Governor 2022/23



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."

Welcome to February, the month of our beloved organization's anniversary as well as the month of peace and conflict resolution. Peace and conflict resolution is a timely topic both at home and around the world. We join in grief, our friends entangled in the war currently in the eastern part of the world. We pray that this will come to an end. As Rotarians, we can help promote peace by solving problems in our communities; one way is by living our lives in accordance with the 4-Way Test. This will demonstrate peace and kindness to our families, friends, and communities.

At the beginning of the Rotary year, we established new goals for accomplishments in our personal and professional lives, our clubs, and our district. I thank you for attending the District address as we evaluated ourselves, six months up the year. I was so excited with the results of our hard work. We started strong and I saw ourselves finishing stronger. Lets get closer, keep consolidating as we get to the finishing line. The District Governors visit will be combined with a farewell in the

remaining clubs when I resume in February with Tanzania upcountry clubs.

As we all know by now, the 2023 District Conference will be held in Mbarara from the 27th to the 29th of May, 2023. With over 1250 confirmed registrants and counting, this year's DISCON promises to be exciting and well worth your time, money, and effort, going by the preparations being put in place by the Central Planning Committee. We look forward to that DISCON week as we celebrate our communities along the route.

We congratulate DGE Francisco Ssemwanga, who has completed his final training at the International Assembly and is now ready to take over with his team, come 1st July 2023. I now want to remind all current leaders to prepare the incoming teams through joint board meetings, training, and walking together as we prepare a smooth handover. If next year is better than one year, we shall count ourselves successful

Finally, I condole with everyone who lost a friend, a partner, or a relative during this period and thank the fraternity for the support extended to all. My affection for Rotary grew even greater in the wake of the loss of my father in love. Your attendance was a significant demonstration of social capital. Our families would like to convey our profound gratitude for your thoughtful sympathies during those difficult moments.



### **About our Vocational Awardee**

**Dr** Samuel Kazibwe (Ph.D) CBS's moving Encyclopedia

Dr Samuel Kazibwe (Ph.D) is an award winning Ugandan broadcast journalist, academic and researcher. Kazibwe holds a Ph.D in Cultural and Media Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa). He is also a holder of masters' degree in human rights from Makerere university, in addition to a Bachelors degree in Mass communication from Uganda Christian University.

As a journalist in the last 15 years, Kazib-we has worked as a reporter, news anchor, talk-show producer, talk-show host and news editor for several media outlets.

He is currently the manager in charge of Research at CBS radio.

Besides journalism practice, Kazibwe is also a senior lecturer at Uganda Christian University. He is the immediate former head of Graduate Studies in the Faculty of Journalism, Media and Communication at the same university. His research interests fall under mass communication theory, media law, development communication, international relations, governance and human rights.

### Background

Dr Kazibwe is the first born of four children of Reverend Canon Steven Ssenyonjo Keewaza and Joyce Keewaza.

Dr Kazibwe went to Makonzi boarding primary school, Kako Secondary School for O-level, Lubiri Secondary School for A-level.

At the age of 33 in 2018, Dr Sam Kazibwe entered the exclusive club of Ugandan media scholars with a Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) degree, the highest academic accomplishment in this field; there are less than 20 others of his ilk in the country.

His case is even more salient because he is now the only active journalist in Uganda with a PhD.

### Awards and Post graduate training:

Named best researched broadcaster in Uganda in the year 2022 by Uganda Journalists Association (UJA)

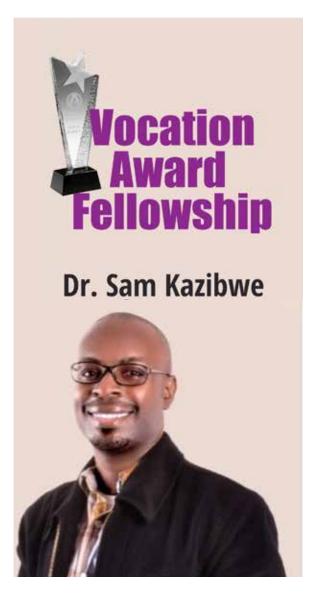
Voted best radio documentary broadcaster in Uganda- 2019 by the Media Challenge Initiative

Attended training on European Affairs in 2019 at Hanze University of Applied Sciences – Netherlands

Nominee for the top 40 achievers under the age of 40 – in 2019 (by the New Vision)

Named Employee of the year at CBS (2014)

Best radio presenter at CBS for two consecutive years (2013 and 2014)
Attended a one month Professional Fellows Congress in USA in April 2011
Attained a Certificate in Food Security communication (Oklahoma State University) 2011



### Scholarly publications (Peer reviewed work):

Commercial Radio News Coverage of COVID-19 in Uganda (2022). Published by Emerald Publishing Limited.

Perceptions, Myths and Misconceptions Around COVID-19 Vaccination: Vaccine Hesitancy and Uptake among Priority Groups in Uganda (2022). By Emerald Publishing Limited.

Journalism and Mental Health: Ugandan Journalists' Perspectives (2022). By Emerald Publishing Limited.

Female Journalists: Negotiating safety and security risks in the Ugandan media environment (2020). Published by the African Journal of Communication (pp. 49-63).

### LEADERS WITHOUT TITLES

Unlike the corporate environment where leadership is well defined and clear structures in place, the social environment on the contrary has none.

Quite often you will find organograms in most corporate entities with the hierarchy in place and well-articulated reporting lines.

This is further embedded with Key deliverables or call them key performance indicators for each role to avoid ambiguity and conflict of roles.

On the other hand, the social set up advocates for leaders without titles as there are no clear structures in place.

This is the leadership that is natured by circumstances and needs in our society and everyone has a role to play to uplift the well-being of the community and also have tasks accomplished successfully.

A classic example is the role of Rotarians in our society, individuals that are driven by the desire to serve humanity and chosen to lead others without clearly defining who does what and when but whenever a need arises, the coordination of the team to accomplish the task is conducted collectively as a team with the President at the pivotal point.

From my experience, I have learnt that we are all leaders in different aspects and we need to offer ourselves at any given opportune time to exhibit our leadership skills and foster a difference in our social networks and the wider communities where we live.

You do not have to bear a title for you to lead.

All you need is the willingness to offer yourself to lead and bring out the best in others that you work with and through to accomplish tasks.

According to Stephen J. Sampson in his book 'Leaders without Titles', leaders only need to influence others to shape their actions and opinions without necessarily having authority over them.

Joining Rotary last year 2022 has provided me more insights and built the spirit to serve humanity and position myself as a leader that will improve the lives of the people in the world.

God bless you.

By. Mark Stuart Ssonko.



### **COVID 19 IS STILL WITHIN**

Let's adhere to the standard operating procedures

Wear face masks

**Keep adistance** 

Wash hands with clean water soap.

**Sanitize** 

Avoid touching the T-zone( eyes, nose and mouth)

**STAY SAFE** 

By Rtn. DoreenNimusiima Classification, Medical services



### GIRL GUIDING AS A VOCATION

The Uganda Girl Guides Association is a voluntary organization dedicated to the growth and development of girls and women. The Association is affiliated to the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) which has its headquarters in London. WAGGGS is the largest voluntary organization supporting over 10 million individual girls and young women across 152 countries.

Uganda Girl Guides Association was registered by the Act of Parliament (The Royal Charter Act) 147 volume 5 on 23rd March 1922. Guiding in Uganda is in 80 districts, with a membership of over 447,743 members.

Membership into Guiding is voluntary, we recruit girls regardless of race, nationality, political affiliations and religion.



### The organization set objectives are: -

- 1. To train girls and young women for leadership and responsibility.
- 2. To provide girls with opportunities for self-training in the development of character.
- 3. To foster love for the country and to promote a sense of responsibility.
- 4. To develop in girls an international good will and understanding through friendly contacts with Girl Guides of other nations.
- 5. To develop in girls a sense of respect for other people.
- 6. To reach out to communities to help the needy and marginalized people.

Membership is open to all girls and women according to their age groups

	Category	Age Range
1	Rainbows	3- 5 years
2	Brownies	6 -9 years
3	Junior Guides	10 -12 years
4	Rangers	13 -17 years
5	Young leaders	18 -25 years
6	Adult Leaders	30years and above
7	Trefoil Guilds	Leaders 75 and above
or those who are not in active service		

### WHAT WE DO

We reach out to the youth and children in communities and schools through non formal education programs, creating awareness, developing skills, grooming leaders as well as addressing social challenges.

On-going projects and activities

- 1. Tailoring
- 2. Free Being Me/ Action on body confidence which encourages girls to appreciate and become confident of their bodies
- 3. Out door activities like camping, hiking, cook outs
- 4. Community outreaches
- 5. Life skills training
- 6. Menstruation Hygiene Management focusing on reusable pad making
- 7. YESS Girls Movement which is an exchange programme between girls of 18-35 years involving 13 countries

- 8. Plastic Tide Turners which is a campaign against plastic pollution through reduce, reuse and recycle of plastics
- 9. YESS Girls can campaign; this campaign is meant to address issues affecting girls in our communities
- 10. Green Tech Generation campaign which involves sensitization on environmental conservation and tree planting
- 11. Alcohol Prevention Project this project is geared towards reducing alcohol consumption among boys and girls below 25 years
- 12. Girls As Drivers of Change Project; it involves sensitization on Gender Based Violence implemented in 5 districts in Eastern Uganda. Under this project girls were given grants to start income generating projects to assist them purchase basic necessities like pads, soap, scholastic materials etc.
- 13. Lugabire campaign; under this campaign we collect shoes and distribute them to schools going children in Dakolo district

Compiled by: Cathy Nakazibwe Project Coordinator Uganda Girl Guides Association



When TV came to my house. I forgot how to read books. When the car came to my doorstep, I forgot how to walk. When I got the mobile in my hand, I forgot how to write letters. When computer came to my house, I forgot spellings When the AC came to my house, I stopped going under the tree for cool breeze. When I stayed in the city, I forgot the smell of mud. By dealing with banks and cards, I forgot the value of money. With the smell of perfume, I forgot the fragrance of fresh flowers. With the coming of fast food, I forgot to cook traditional cuisines. Always running around, I forgot how to stop. And lastly when I got WhatsApp, I forgot how to talk.

When we die, our money remains in the bank. Yet, when we are alive, we don't have enough money to spend.

In reality, when we are gone, there is still a lot of money not spent.

One business tycoon in China passed away. His widow, was left with \$1.9 billion in the bank, and married his chauffeur.

His chauffeur said:-

"All the while, I thought I was working for my boss... it is only now, that I realise that my boss was all the time, working for me!!!"

### PP Maggie Sebalu

There were two businessmen; Mr. Muwemba (Ugandan) running an electronic shop in Kampala and Mr. Patel(an Indian) running an autospare shop in Bwaise.

Both men took their sons to Makerere University for degree course. Patel's son commutes daily from Bwaise while Muwemba's son lives in a small rented bedsitter near the university.

Before joining college, Patel's son used to spend his days at the autospare shop- a routine he continues every Sat when not going to college. During the vacations, he even takes over the management. Muwemba on the other side believes that shops is not the place for his University going son so he should get a degree and get a better job.

The two young men graduate and go separate ways. Patel junior now takes over the running of the auto spare shop. Muwemba jr hits the road, looking for a job. Two years and he gets a job as a bank teller, supermarket clerk etc, after six months and with meagre income, Muwemba's son is frustrated and decides to go back for an MBA and improve his CV.

In the same period, Patel jr has gained some management skills of running the shop with a workforce of five employees. In his interactions with fellow businessmen and trips to source business stocks in China and India, he meets an Indian businessman who is trying to market some software and computer accessories manufactured in India and Taiwan. He and another accomplice form a company and agree to distribute them. At first, the company is operated from the backyard of the auto shop.

Both men are now 28. Patel jr is now confident and experienced in making business deals. He approaches a few companies, does presentations and convinces them to take up his products.

By now, he has passed the auto spare shop to his siblings and is now running a full-fledged IT company.

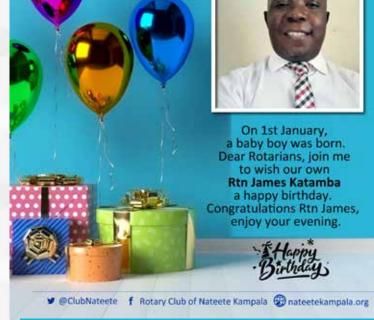
Muwemba junior has graduated with an MBA, is now driving a car on loan and is now looking for a better job. He ends up becoming an employee at Patel's company as a supervisor Guys, that is where the real entrepreneurship classes start, and a foot-holding is all our youth require. Don't wonder why our MBA degree holders are looking for internship at Tuskys and wonder no more how Indians are still ruling this business economy!

Education without a focus only turns graduates into dependents. Let's mentor & encourage our children accordingly.

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Sourced by
PP Kizza Ssebunnya























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(Up to 31st Dec 2022)

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