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End of a Golden Era



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EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Readers.

As we wind-up the year of Creating Hope in the world, we give thanks and glory to God for His guidance and providence.

We reflect on the achievements so far made as a club. You will all agree with me that the year has been a great success, thanks to all of you members. Your extraordinary dedication, contributions, and views kept the team on track all year. I'm very proud that you represented the club so well all around the world and enjoyed the spotlight of being the Governor's club.

A lot has been accomplished, and a lot of thanks is extended to the board and the executive team who worked tirelessly, to steer the club through the year.

In a special way I commend our team leader, the HCP Miriam, for her admirable resilience, that inspite of her health issues, she would show up, she kept on going, being supportive in many ways and able to lead the team. Thank you so very much HCP Miriam.

Finally, I extend a very special thank to Governor Francisco Semwanga. You have been our inspiration. Thanks for your constant support, advice and guidance. And for highlighting the right direction for our club, we appreciate you. You have done well in rotary, and for RC Nateete-Kampala, your club, you put us on the map. We shall miss being referred to as Governor's club.

For me, this has been an enriching experience. I have gained a lot of knowledge about Rotary and it has been quite fulfilling. Thank you all for being part of the community that made up our stories.

As we close the doors to the Hope Creator year, we open new doors, with fresh ideas to the Magical Year, and wish them all the best.

Viva la Rotary.

**Yours
Editor.**



RI President R. Gordon McInally Message



It's customary for a Rotary president in the final month in office to recap the past year on this page, and I am proud of all we have achieved together. But I want to focus on our future, and that begins with polio. We have reached an astonishing 3 billion children with the polio vaccine, and we have averted an estimated 20 million cases of paralysis. But it's not enough. We must continue supporting the End Polio Now campaign to reach zero cases and keep our promise to the world's children. Polio is not our only global commitment. In fact, Rotary has been working toward global peace even longer. Spreading Positive Peace through service projects and Rotary Peace Centers around the world is more important than ever. We must also continue to build peace from within, and that begins with supporting mental health and wellness among our fellow Rotary members and the communities we serve. Rotary has an opportunity to help build a global mental health system that currently does not exist, and I urge all members to consider joining the Rotary Action Group on Mental Health Initiatives to keep up the momentum we began this year. It's been the honor of a lifetime to serve as your president. You have given Heather and me memories we will cherish forever. I look forward to our continued friendship and our collective commitment to

**DG
FRANCISCO
SSEMWANGA
D9214**



Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors, Family and Friends of Rotary
Looking back to when we started the journey of “Creating Hope in the World,” I can only say, congratulations, you made it. It is gratifying to end this Rotary year with remarkable projects that define the real essence of Service Above Self.
I am currently in Singapore, where the Rotary International Convention is taking place, and I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all the conveners for their participation, it is events like these that lay strong pillars to enable Rotary make the world a better place for all.

As we approach the end of the 2023/2024 Rotary Year, I want to emphasize the importance of finishing strong. In District 9214, we have made significant strides in youth engagement, and I encourage all Clubs to continue supporting our young Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors.
We still have another month to go, and I urge you all to remain committed to our causes and projects. Clubs should prioritize training for new Club officers, both at the Club level and through our designated District training. This will ensure a smooth transition and equip our leaders with the skills and knowledge necessary to deliver a service oriented Irresistible year.

I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to all the new Presidents who have been installed so far, and I wish those who are yet to be installed successful and joyful ceremonies. To our outgoing District team and Presidents, I urge you to support the new team and ensure a seamless transition as we plan for the new year. To the 2023/2024 District officials and Club Presidents, thank you for not only being exceptional but also for exceeding our expectations this year.
On a personal note, I want to thank my wife, Mrs. Angela Ssemwanga, and our entire family for walking with me throughout my Rotary journey. Your love and encouragement have meant the world to me.

To you the Ubuntu Editorial team both in Uganda and Tanzania led by Rtn. Rittah Nakasaawe, I cannot thank you enough but I will forever remain indebted to you.

Finally, I extend my appreciation to the management and staff of the schools where I serve as Director. Your tireless efforts in keeping our institutions thriving despite my absence have not gone unnoticed.

Thank you all, and let us continue to serve with passion and dedication to Create more Hope in the World through the Magic of Rotary.

Yours in service
Francisco Ssemwanga
District Governor D9214 2023/24

Message for Outgoing President

Dear friends, allow me to thank members of RC Nateete for giving me this opportunity to serve as their 16th President. It has been a great opportunity to learn practical leadership skills.

The Core values of Rotary are service, integrity, fellowship, leadership and diversity, these have been well demonstrated in the 12 months I have occupied this office.

The theme for this year was "Create Hope in the World" and it is through creating hope, that we were able to plan and work on different projects. These include;

1. Namaato COU Primary School: we were able to rehabilitate the school, fed the pupils, we planted trees, we provided scholastic materials to the school, we donated 20 desks for two classes and we had a Rotary health family healthy camp where we treated more than 200 patients.

2. We continued to create hope in our L'Arche project by;

Donation to L'Arche for Christmas Dec 2023 = 1,675,000/=

Donation for L'Arche Easter 2024 = 805,000/=

Donation for L'Arche celebration to mark 33 years of its existence in 2024, was 200,000/=

We supported with the drilling phase of the water project at L'Arche.

We are also in the process of procuring two water tanks and steel support stands at L'Arche.

3. Luuka Maternal and Child Health Project

- Planted 250 trees
- We taught girl child to make sanitary pads
- We Officially handed over the Tricycle Ambulance to Luuka health center

We were also supported by the Rotary District Club in USA with \$ 3000, which we used to purchase a Tricycle Ambulance to support Maternal and Child Health. This Tricycle was officially handed over to Kasana Health Center on 23rd May 2024

Luuka Project :

I thank, the District Governor Semwanga, and his Assistant PDG Kenny W. Mugisha, our Assistant Governor Susan Samula and my Board that has put up with me all through the year, all the committee chairs, and all the Rotarians of RC Nateete, our club advisers, PP Ronald Namakajjo and PP Prossy Lukwago, that actually did the work and supported the cause.

In a special way, I want to thank. PDG Mike Sebalu and his Ann PP Maggie Sebalu, who blessed our Namaato project with 50 bags of cement, at my installation. PDG Mike, Thank you for accepting to install me as the 16th President of RC Nateete. You really blessed my year.

Past Presidents of RC Nateete, Hebert Nankoola thank you for your tireless guidance.

PP Christopher Kalyesubula, thank you for standing in for me in all situations, especially when I had been admitted for my knee surgery. Thank you for service above self.

RC Nateete members, If it wasn't for your support, we wouldn't have won the 3 Awards at the 99th DCA in Munyonyo. I know we shall win more Awards, if we continue working together, to support our incoming President.

My family, I wouldn't have been able to accomplish the year without your support, thank you for putting up with my every day Rotary chores and assignments.

Similarly, like all previous Presidents of RC Nateete-Kampala who came before me, I am handing over the leadership of RC Nateete-Kampala to President Florence Bulya Birungi, to let the wheel of Rotary continue to move forward to benefit the communities we serve.

President Florence, I pledge to be there for you, ready to serve with you.

May God Bless your leadership and May He Bless Rotary.

MIRIAM SERUNKUMA NSUBUGA

PRESIDENT 2023/2024

ROTARY CLUB OF NATEETE-KAMPALA









99th DCA

HOPE UNITING HEARTS

SPEKE RESORT MUNYONYO

24TH-27TH APRIL 2024



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – SINGAPORE

Take a moment, look back and we can really say, this has been a year to shine as RC Nateete Kampala, The Governor's Club. We have carried the energy with which we started, through the year, up to the very end!! TEMUZIKIZA! Let us take another year to even shine beyond.

Right from the DCA D9214, Munyonyo, which ran (25-29 April 2024), RC Nateete Kampala was among the leading clubs with the highest number of attendees for that convention. Hardly had they unpacked, there came the RI Convention, running from 25-30 May 2024, Singapore and Pheeew.. off they went, leading other clubs in Uganda in terms of attendees. Thank you, thank you very much members the sacrifices and for wonderful representation.

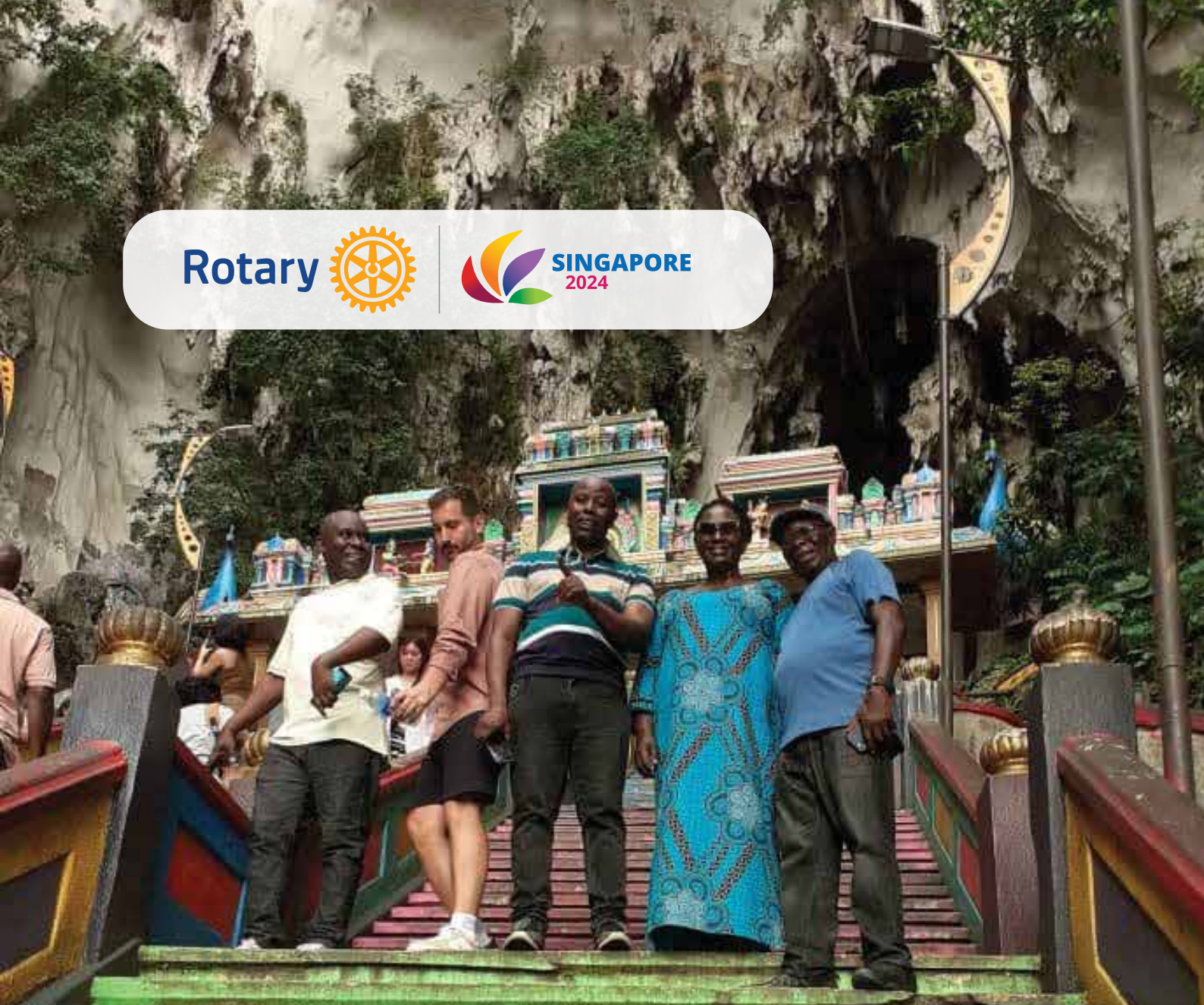
We await the lessons you carried home for us from the conventions and trust more magical opportunities will open-up for more members to attend the next 100th DCA D9214 in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania; and the anticipated [RI Convention 2025 in Calgary-Canada](#). [REGISTER NOW](#).





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 SINGAPORE
2024



INSTALLATION OF THE 17TH PRESIDENT OF RC NATEETE-KAMPALA – RTN FLORENCE HOPE BULYA BIRUNGI

I would like to first thank God for this extra ordinary day. It is my privilege to welcome you all to the 17th installation celebrations of the Rotary club of Nateete- Kampala. Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors, interactors and all friends of Rotary, you have made this day amazing.

I would like to appreciate and recognize our guest of honor Hon. Minister. Princess Persis Namuganza for sparing your precious time and accepting to be here with us, we are grateful. And to our chief Guest Rtd Ass Commissioner Uganda Prisons Mr. Nsalasatta David, thank you for being family, a great friend, a fellow Rotarian who understands the true meaning of service.

We appreciate your presence in a special way, I would like to thank my District Governor Francisco Ssemwanga for being such a strong pillar to us as a club and increasing our reach to the world. You inspire us to always be the best. Our Rotary Chief Guest District Governor Nominee Christine kawooya Kyeyune, thank you for creating hope in the world.

To our amazing district leaders, past district governors, past assistant district governors, current assistant governors and the incoming assistant governors, incoming district governor elect, all district official representatives and charter president Johns Kyazze, thank you for your support and for laying a strong foundation for rotary. I also take this opportunity to welcome my fellow president elects for coming! Please rise up for recognition. These are the irresistible presidents that I will be working with. It will definitely be a magical year!

To all the past presidents of the Rotary club of Nateete- Kampala and all Rotarians of the same club, I thank you all for the work well done, it's with your strength and hard work that I am able to stand here today entrusted to be in this great line of leadership.

And our hope creator president HCP Miriam Nsubuga Sserunkuma and her entire board, I thank you for the successful year. During her year, HCP Miriam did a lot to show her support towards me as her successor and I will surely lean on her for guidance throughout the entire year as we create hope in the world.

I appreciate my beautiful family for supporting me through this journey, it is worth it. My husband Mr Birungi Stephen Mwesige, you are indeed a gem. Thank you for supporting me, uplifting me and understanding me. It's not every day you get a man that is supportive of your passion, but my husband here has been a shoulder for me to lean on. Thank you my love.

My dad, mum and the entire family, you are simply amazing. I love the way you have supported me and been there through each special moment and here is yet another one.

To all my children! Please stand up for recognition. These ones have supported me and they also participated in our annual fashion show for those who were there to witness, you know how wonderful it was. It gives me great joy to have my Rota-kids here, rotaractors and eventual Rotarians all in the same family here with me tonight.

THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

I am proud to be a Rotarian serving above self and most importantly grateful to be elected as the irresistible president of the rotary club of Nateete- kampala 2024-2025. With the support of my board members and my club members, I will do my best to bring the magic to our club. Luckily for us, our club has been built on a strong leadership foundation and its membership is committed to 'service above self' through the powerful projects that we are doing for the betterment of our communities.

From this point of view, I pledge to continue with the projects that are in existence like the LARCHE project whereby we make merry with the disabled children by sharing with them the joy of Christmas through providing basic needs. We also have NAMAATO PRIMARY SCHOOL project where we provide scholastic materials to the children and the staff inclusive of construction of several classroom blocks which we shall continue doing even in a much bigger way.

Our 9-year strategic work plan is to 'Adopt a Village at Waibuga Busiuro health project' in luuka village where we are going to put up a structure for the maternal and child health care of an estimated cost of 71,951,000 million shillings to complete phase one. We also intend to provide medical equipments worth 290,982,000 million shillings. This is our signature project that will enable us increase our impact to the communities.

Planting our balance project whereby we shall sign memorandums of understanding with different club members who have readily available land for us as a club to plant trees as a way of conserving the environment and cubing climate change.

I would like to note that most of our club members have been actively participating and engaging in all rotary events and during the recently concluded District Conference Assembly in Munyonyo, we had a 73 percent attendance .

I would like to thank the installation committee headed by the installation chair Rotarian Godfrey Ssenyonjo for the tremendous job done. Thanks for all the brilliant ideas, your sacrifice and time invested to see the success of this day. I am forever grateful!

I conclude by thanking Rotary International for keeping the magic in rotary. The work your doing is felt worldwide. During my recent trip to Singapore to attend the Singapore Rotary





Welcoming the Hope Creator President, Miriam to Kirussia.

