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Rotary Club of Nateete Kampala

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## EDITORS NOTE

My salutation goes out to you all in the name of God Almighty.

Our esteemed Mpagi readers I welcome you to the most anticipated September edition, which has a theme of education and literacy.

Education and literacy are one of our areas of focus as rotarians. We should give education programmes easy navigation when offering support.

Lack of education makes people see and view the world differently.

Rotarians are reminded that it's a month of children going back to school, please, if you can educate outside your families.

As I conclude, I would like to thank all partners that make this magazine possible, the writers, readers, and everyone who gives a hand all this is because of you.

Asante sana  
God bless you.

**Rtn Rwahwire Margaret**  
**Busega Lions buddy group**

**Editor Mpagi News letter**



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Call for  
Articles!





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*The Magic of Rotary  
is belonging, and it's  
a feeling that can  
appear when you  
least expect it.*

*Stephanie A. Urchick*  
**Rotary International President**  
2024 - 25

Earlier this year, I was in Slovakia serving as a president's representative during a six-week trip through Europe. When I wrote to Katarina Cechova, governor of District 2240 at the time, I mentioned that my grandmother Veronica Zilka grew up in a small village in the area before settling in the U.S.

It wasn't long before Cechova tracked down my grandmother's village, Jakubova Vol'a. She even organized a visit for me, where I received an unforgettable Slovakian welcome.

When I entered the community center of Jakubova Vol'a, a small crowd of people dressed in traditional Slovakian clothing greeted me. They sang with beautiful and powerful Central European voices that reminded me of my grandmother.

A lot of families play cards or games when they get together. When I was young, my father would pick up his accordion and lead my family in song. My grandmother would sing along with her impressive voice.

When I walked into the community center and heard traditional music from my childhood — when I saw a woman play the accordion the way my dad played — I suddenly felt like a little girl sitting at my grandmother's house in Monessen, Pennsylvania. I burst into tears of joy at the memories.

But the magic didn't stop there. District Governor Cechova really outdid herself. A local genealogist worked with a videographer to make a short film about my grandmother. We watched the video together in the community center.

When the video ended, I turned around and saw a man standing in the back of the room. I quickly learned that this stranger, Frantisek Zilka, was my second cousin. His grandmother and mine had been sisters. I felt like I had been struck by lightning.

I visited my newfound cousin's home, which happens to be the home where my grandmother was born. There, he shared old photographs I had never seen of my dad, my uncle, and my grandmother.

Since then, I can't stop thinking about my family of Rotary. When I refer to you as my family, I'm not just being kind. I really think of everyone in Rotary as my family. But I never would have imagined that my Rotary family would introduce me to long-lost personal family.

Sitting in that community center listening to traditional Slovakian music from my childhood filled me with joy and a profound sense of belonging. I am so grateful to District Governor Cechova and everyone who helped create that magical experience.

As members of Rotary, we have a unique opportunity to share the same magic with each other and with the world. I encourage you to consider how you can help spread that magic and ensure other members of your club — other members of our Rotary family — feel like they truly belong.

# EDUCATION WILL UNLOCK DOORS TO OP- PORTUNITY, DIGNITY, AND HOPE FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

## **District Governor's message**

Dear Rotarians

Greetings to you all as we begin another new month.

As we celebrate our theme this month of Basic Education and Literacy which is one of our areas of focus and indeed one that has been close to our hearts as Rotarians over the years, we not only understand the need but also know the transformative power of education. Let us within our clubs and through our collective efforts renew our dedication to education and reflect on the impact we have made while also reflecting on what we can do better. Let us all find a way of honouring our theme. If we do not currently have an education project in the club let us look for some hands on activity or even a speaker and ensure we understand the need that surrounds us. Education will open doors for our families and our communities and each time we help someone gain the gift of literacy, we unlock doors to opportunity, dignity, and hope for a brighter future and play a vital role in breaking the cycle of poverty.

My visits to your clubs have been very humbling and I am grateful for the opportunity to see the magic of your works first hand. I am in awe at the spirit of service, the impact, the transformation you are bringing in our communities and for your love for Rotary. Rotary truly gives us the opportunity to live a purpose filled life and thank you for your wonderful hearts. Let us please us remember to share our stories with the communities, partners and corporates and with good appreciation of whoever may have helped us along the way. This is the main way people will understand what Rotarians do by our works and join in support or as members. We need all the helping hands we can get.

We have already completed two months of this Rotary year and I trust we are now well settled and have built up the momentum to fulfil the targets we have set ourselves. I humbly request you all to give it your very best. The time is now. Let us keep creating that magic that we Rotarians do so well and let us make Rotary Irresistible.

Please know how special each and everyone of you is, and that the legacy we shall leave in this world is one to be proud of and will live on beyond us. It is a great privilege so let us continue serving with due care.

**Wishing you a great month.**



**Agnes Mungati Batengas**  
**District Governor D9214**

## PRESIDENT'S SEPTEMBER NOTE

As we reach the end of September I take this opportunity to reflect on the vital work Rotary has undertaken during this month focused on Education and Literacy. Throughout this month Rc Nateete Kampala has dedicated its efforts to advancing educational opportunities, promoting literacy and addressing the barriers that hinder access to learning.

Education is the cornerstone of development and gateway to personal and societal transformational empowers individuals, enables communities to thrive and fosters peace and understanding. This is why Rotary commitment to promoting education and literacy resonates so deeply with its mission of creating lasting change.

Throughout September, our club and many others have worked to further this cause by supporting schools, creating access to learning resources and encouraging literacy development in both children and adults. While these efforts have been highlighted in September they continue throughout the year because education is the bedrock for sustainable progress.

As Rc Nateete Kampala we held a dedication service of all our candidate children and it was conducted by Revland father Pius Assimwe, it was a month in which Rc Nateete held its fashion show fundraiser event at theater Labonita and it's on this note that I appreciate the fashion show committee headed by Rtn Cathy Nakazibwe, Rc Nateete members, all Rotarians from other clubs, Rotaractors, interractors and friends of Rotary for the support. It was a successful fundraiser.

We also had a talk from our charter president Jones Kyazze from RC Munyonyo clarifying the reason as to why he came up with such an event.

In this same month of September, Rc Nateete members visited Butambala lukeera to plant our balance worth 550 trees as guided by our Governor Agnes Batengas. We also had a talk from our own PP Christopher Kalyesubula giving a talk on growth of Rotary.

Being amonth of literacy we had atraining on RCC by PP Lwevuze Joseph from RC Namasumba and do appreciate all RC Nateete members for the support during the month but special thank you to my Rotarian of the month RTN Yawe Godfrey. I wish all of you the best coming OCTOBER month,

**Yours president.**  
**Florence Bulya Birungi**  
**RC NATEETE**



# \*HARD WORK IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS\*

## **\*HCP Miriam Serunkuma Nsubuga\***

Life is full of twists and turns. Everyone has to struggle here in this world to conquer every hindrance in the way to success. For this hard work is obligatory. Without working hard and just by sitting idle it will be hard for one to get success. Since from childhood and till now I always remember the sentence that my parents used to tell me

“To be a better person in life and to get success you have to work hard, the result of hard work is always rewarding, so you have to work hard.”

There is a well known proverb

“no pain, no gain”

hard work never goes wasted. Although it may be later or sooner success comes to your feet. There was a man who lived with his parents. He was not hardworking. He wanted to do a well paying job so he refused all small jobs. Everyone told him to start with a small job. But he just ignored them. He used to lay in his bed all day.

One day his parents left him and went away. They left a note for him in which it was written that they will come back when he will start working. They left him with some money. He managed to use the money for some weeks. But one day there was no money so he begged on that day. He decided to start working. After some years he became a big business man. His parents came back to him. On that day he learnt that without hard work nothing can be done.

Therefore, we should not think about a bigger things. We should go step by step until we reach at the last step.

Keep on trying ,success will come to you.

Best of luck



A divine healer in church called out – “Anyone with special needs who wants to be prayed for, come forward to the front”.

With that, Kunjappan, got in line and when it was his turn the Pastor asked, "Kunjappan, what do you want me to pray for you?"

Kunjappan replied, "Pastor, I need you to pray for help with my hearing."

The Pastor put one finger of one hand on Kunjappan's ear, placed his other hand on top of Kunjappan's head, and then prayed and prayed and the whole congregation joined in with much enthusiasm.

After sometime, the Pastor removed his hands, stood back and asked: "Kunjappan, how is your hearing now?"

Kunjappan answered,  
"I don't know.

My hearing is actually next Thursday at the Ernakulam High Court."

JUST  
FOR  
LAUGHS

WITH  
PP. MARGGIE



Rotary  
Club of Bwebajja



# Congratulations

Congratulations PDG Emmanuel  
Katongole on being elected  
**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
DIRECTOR.**



**IPDG Francisco  
congratulation  
for winning the  
Outstanding  
Membership Growth  
Performance Award**



# THE CURSE OF SHEDDING BLOOD

(as a sacrifice to the devil)

For the life of flesh is in the blood. Every living thing has blood in it. Blood sacrifice is a vital weapon for fighting spiritual battles because blood is a currency or a medium of exchange in the spiritual world. Spiritual realm ladies and gentlemen is real.

Before the coming of Christ people used blood for animals as sacrifice like birds' goats sheep cows to mention but a few. The stronger the sacrifice, the stronger the results imagine from bird to cow. Life is governed by waves, either evil or holy blood sacrifice is vital.

Sorcerers have become so advanced to the extent of giving human beings blood to attain their big achievements. A sacrifice is always against a sacrifice.

Satan and his demons use blood sacrifice to attain a certain level in society like blessings, promotions, positions, favours, marriage, destroying people's lives, and exchanging blessings to mention but a few. Sorcerers use blood in witchcraft. Witchcraft is changing what you would have been into another bad thing

If you don't know about it, it does not mean it's not there. Blood sacrifices are rampant these days for either animals or even human beings.

The devil uses human blood sacrifice for bigger achievements he can sacrifice normal people or First borns (first), Kings, Prince, Princess (dominion), people who have a calling on them (tap the calling) young children who have not talked yet, Virgins Namagoye to mention but a few.

The human sacrifice is the worst sacrifice you will ever make. As soon as you do it, you automatically get your curse with all your four generations. In other words, all of them will pay for the same.

Human blood is strong in the spiritual realm you may get what you want, but you will suffer in all other areas of your life with sicknesses disease misfortunes for just that one thing you wanted to achieve.

Blood will be on your hands it will cry to God and also cry to you. Trust me, you will never have peace. You may start by sacrificing one person, but the devil will ask for more.

Never be content by saying you have never sacrificed an animal or a person, my dear someone can go on a certain altar and sacrifice for you and you suffer in a certain area of your life The bigger the sacrifice the bigger the king demon. But also remember your parents, your grandparents, your aunties could have made a sacrifice and you were not there and that blood is on our hands and may be they are even not alive bro you have to pay. Abortion is another way of shedding blood by removing that child you think you don't want it's murder and blood is on your hands, my sister. You will pay.

I have brought good news there is someone who sacrificed blood for you 2000 plus years ago Its called the precious blood it is spiritual the older it becomes the stronger its the blood of Jesus.

Jesus blood has no sin in it it has no spot like other blood its the firstborn of the blood of everything. You should use the blood of Jesus to destroy all the other blood against you .

The devil and his sorcerers have been seeking for something that can suppress the blood of Jesus but have failed because children take their fathers blood but Jesus's is of the holy-spirit. No blood can defeat this blood.

Today you can turn your eyes to the cross and see that blood that was shed at calvery Sacri-fice is against sacrifice blood is paid by blood Its only the blood of Jesus that can destroy all the other blood speaking in your life. If you are victorious in the spiritual realm you will be victorious in the physical realm. Trust me, nothing works if it does not originate from God. The truth people neglect

**Rtn Rwahwire Margaret**  
(Rc Nateete - Kampala)



# THE GROWTH OF ROTARY IN UGANDA (1957 – 2024)

It is very difficult if not impossible to talk about Rotary in Uganda without knowing the genesis of Rotary in general, that is where from and how Rotary started.

## Rotary History

Rotary started with the vision of one man - Paul Harris – a Lawyer.

Later on, he shared the vision with his friends: -

- Gustavus Loer - a Mining Engineer

- Silvester Schiele - a Business Man

- Hiram E. Shorey - a Tailor

The intention was to bring together professionals with diverse background and business executives so that they could exchange ideas and form meaningful friendship.

Overtime Paul Harris' vision gradually extended from friendship to humanitarian service. Their first Rotary Club meeting was on 23rd February 1905 in Chicago Illinois USA. This made Chicago the first Rotary Club the world over. Later on, the Rotary Club of San Francisco in California USA was also formed as the second Rotary Club in the world.

Rotary International Headquarters are in Evanston City - Illinois.

Today there are over 46,000 Rotary Clubs worldwide with a membership of approximately 1.4 million Rotarians.

## Women in Rotary

During the early years of Rotary, membership was restricted to only men. Efforts to include women in Rotary began as early as 1912 but without success. After a legal battle in 1987, the US Supreme Court ruled that women should not be excluded from Rotary membership. Therefore in 1989, women were accepted into Rotary. The first Rotary Club to accept women membership was the Rotary Club of Duarte in California

## Rotary in Africa

The history of Rotary in Africa dates back to 1921 when the first Rotary Club on the African continent – RC Johannesburg was established. Eight years later in 1929, Rotary was established in North Africa when the Rotary Club of Cairo in Egypt was chartered in 1929.

## Rotary in East Africa

Started with the Rotary Club of Nairobi each was chartered in January 1930.

The Rotary Club of Mombasa was the second East African Club and was chartered in 1944. The Rotary Club of Dar- es-Salaam which was established in January 1949 was the third club in East Africa.

## Rotary's Growth in Uganda (1957 - 2024)

Rotary's presence in Uganda began with the chartering of the Rotary Club of Kampala in 1957. The Rotary Club of Kampala is therefore the seed of Rotary in Uganda. The Club was mothered by the Rotary Club of Nairobi.

Other clubs were later chartered, for example:-

1) The Rotary Club of Mbale established in May 1964 – mothered by RC Nakuru.

2) The Rotary Club of Jinja chartered in November 1964.

3) The Rotary Club of Kampala West mothered by RC Kampala in 1970 and was their first club to be sponsored.

Rotary has grown in Uganda in several ways: -

a. Number of clubs.

b. Membership.

No. of Clubs	No. of Rtns	Average	
<b>No. of Rtns per Club</b>			
<b>9213</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>4500</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>9214</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>2400</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>6900</b>	<b>35</b>

### Note:

i) The above figures were provided by Rotary Uganda Office on 16th

September 2024.

ii) District 9214 is made up of Tanzania and part of Uganda. The figures

above are limited to Uganda only.

iii) Average membership per club in Uganda is 35 Rotarians.

Apart from expansion of clubs and membership, Rotary in

Uganda has also grown in the following dimensions: -

a. Establishment of a Rotary Peace Centre at Makerere University.

b. Annual Cancer Run Program.

c. Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Programs.

d. Rotary Mission Green Program.

e. Construction of the Blood Bank at Mengo Hospital.

f. Establishment of the Cancer ward at Nsambya Hospital.

g. Community welfare development.

h. Promotion of high standards in Rotarians' Vocations.

i. Poverty alleviation Programs and many others.

Leadership development is also another critical area where Rotary has grown in Uganda and below are Ugandan Past District Governors

<b>Year</b>	<b>Name (Club)</b>
<b>2023/24</b>	<b>Francisco Ssemwanga Nateete Kampala</b>
<b>2023/24</b>	<b>Edward Kakembo Nsubuga Kampala Ssese</b>
<b>2022/23</b>	<b>Peace Talemwa Kajjansi</b>
<b>2022/23</b>	<b>Mike Keneddy Ssebalu Bukoto</b>
<b>2021/22</b>	<b>John Magezi Ndamira Kampala North</b>
<b>2021/21</b>	<b>Rosette Nabbumba Mukono</b>
<b>2019/20</b>	<b>Xavier Ssentamu Kiwatule</b>
<b>2017/18</b>	<b>Ken Mugisha Muyenga</b>
<b>2015/16</b>	<b>Robert Wagwa Nsibirwa Kampala</b>
<b>2013/14</b>	<b>Emmanuel Katongole Muyenga</b>
<b>2010/11</b>	<b>Stephen Mwanje Mukono</b>
<b>2007/08</b>	<b>Chris Mutalya Kyambogo</b>
<b>2006/07</b>	<b>Francis Tusubira Kampala North</b>
<b>2001/02</b>	<b>Robert Ssebunya Lubaga</b>
<b>1997/98</b>	<b>Nelson Kawalya Mengo</b>
<b>1995/96</b>	<b>Henry Kyemba (RIP) Source of the Nile</b>
<b>1888/89</b>	<b>Sam Owor (RIP) Kampala</b>
<b>1972/73</b>	<b>Phan Ntende (RIP) Kampala</b>
<b>1971/72</b>	<b>Van Radia (RIP) Kampala</b>

Note: Rotarian Phan Ntende from the Rotary Club of Kampala was the first black governor in the District.

That is not to say that there haven't been challenges for Rotary in Uganda. Continuous loss of members is one of the major challenges for Rotary in Uganda. We lose as many members as we recruit, since Rotarians are people of action, we should ensure that the phenomenon ends.

Another challenge is that Rotary in Uganda has gone through turbulent history; During Idd Amin's regime (1971 - 1979), Post Idd Amin era (1979, 1980) and during the bush war (1981 -1985)

There is also a misconception that Rotary is for the rich.

While giving to the Rotary Foundation is still minimal, just to mention but a few.

In conclusion, It should be noted that the growth of Rotary in Uganda has been very progressive. We acknowledge and salute the efforts of all current and past

Uganda Rotary Leaders and individual Rotarians in their different capacities for shaping Rotary's destiny.

**By PP Christopher Kalyesubula  
Club Administration Director (2024/25)**



# Happy Birthday

SEPTEMBER BABIES

Rotary  
Nateete-Kampala



## Happy Birthday

**Rtn. Carol Nassaka**

Cheers to an amazing person. May your special day be filled with Joy, love and celebration.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**PP. Miriam Sserunkuuma**

On your special day and always, remember how much you're appreciated and loved.



Rotary  
Nateete-Kampala

## Happy Birthday

**President Florence Bulya**

HERE'S TO ANOTHER YEAR OF BREAKING BARRIERS, ACHIEVING DREAMS, AND SPREADING LOVE AND POSITIVITY.



The rotary family of nateete kampala congratulate Rtn. Doreen Nimusiima upon her graduation in Bachelors in Nursing Science!! hongera! hongera! hongera Rtn doreen. we are proud of you!

Birthdays are a new start, a fresh beginning and a time to pursue new endeavors with new goals.... You are a very special persons. May your special days be amazing! Happy birthday dear September Babies.



# A LEADER IS

A Listener, **Loyal**, Respectful, Reliable,  
**Proactive**, Honest, **Passionate**,  
**Energetic**, An **Acomplisher**, Strategic, Helpful

Improve your Rotary Knowledge and Leadership Skills



## 27<sup>th</sup> INTAKE UNDERGRADUATE

MODULE 1 Topics - 27<sup>th</sup> Jul 2024. 8AM

- Introduction to RLI
- Insights into leadership
- My Rotary World
- Foundation 1: Our Foundation
- Ethics - Vocational Service
- Engaging Members

Fee: 115,000/= Per Module for meals, **Protea Hotel, Kololo**.  
For registration call Sarah Rubanga - 0752 735 768  
For Payments send to (DO NOT CALL)  
Sylvia Kizito Nakajjuga on 0789 913 242 or 0708 691 213  
Deadline: 17<sup>th</sup> Jul 2024. Email: infoatrliuganda@gmail.com



One of our Prospective Rotarians by names of Kato Hamidu has graduated today at RLI. Get ready of the new passionate leaders soon joining the club

# Let's Walk Together

Exercise, Fitness & Connection

Friends, it's time to pull out your sneakers and take a walk.

" Walking is good for solving problems – it's like the feet are little psychiatrists" —  
~ Pepper Giardino

COME JOIN US



# BUDDY GROUP: LUNGUJJA ELEPHANTS



# SEPTEMBER BUDDY HEROES

Rotary  
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# PLANT MY BALANCE

**SAT.  
14TH SEPT.  
2024**

**Activities:  
Tree planting exercise,  
then Lunch after**

**@Rtn Sempira Mukasa's  
family home in Kikeera,  
Butambala District.**

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Phase one of the \*Plant my Balance\* campaign by the Rotary Club of Nateete Kampala at Kikeera village Butambala district. 550 Eucalyptus trees were planted. Phase two of the same campaign will take place on 9th October in Kammengo, Mpigi district. We hope to plant 1,100 trees in the second phase.

[9/18, 12:35 PM] Margaret Rc Nateete: The campaign is to "Plant your Difference ". For RC Nateete Kampala, they started the campaign by planting 550 trees at Kikeera village, parish Seeta, subcounty Mumyuka, district Butambala. The one acre project is as a result of 60:40% sharing partnership between Rtn Sempira Samuel Mukasa , where the latter offered the land for 7 years.

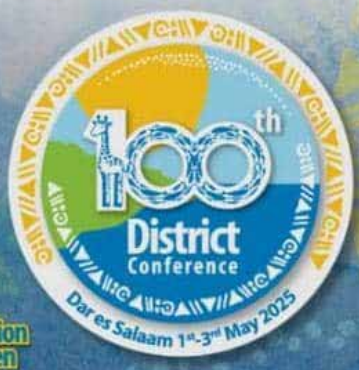




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PICTORIAL**

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Rotary  
District 9214



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Rotaractors	USD 120

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See you in Dar es Salaam!



## ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

MONTH	DESIGNATION
JULY	Maternal and Child Health
AUGUST	Membership & New Club Development
SEPTEMBER	Basic Education and Literacy
OCTOBER	Community Economic Development
NOVEMBER	Rotary Foundation
DECEMBER	Disease Prevention and Treatment
JANUARY	Vocational Service
FEBRUARY	Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention
MARCH	Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
APRIL	Environment
MAY	Youth Service
JUNE	Rotary Fellowships

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# Western Uganda Trip

Fri. 4th to 6th Sun. October 2024



### TOUR SITES

Kazinga Channel, Kyambura Gorge, Queen Elizabeth N. Park, Lake Katwe, Lake Edward & George, R. Nyamunuka, Kilembe Mines, Mt. Rwenzori, Amabere Ga Nyina Mwiru, Toro Crater Lake Semuliki National Park, Hotsprings, Bundibugyo Escarpments

**Fee: 550,000/-**

Covers: Transport, Accommodation & Meals, Payments for visiting sites  
All payments to 0786272771 Katimbo Julius

**Fee: 500,000/- (Early bird)**  
Up to 1st October 2024

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