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## District Governor's Newsletter Volume 5 Issue 8 A Monthly Publication of District 9211 Plant a tree means, plant a million lives



## **From the Editor**



Rtn. Julie Kamuzze-Musoke

In a few days, we shall be celebrating Easter to reflect and recognize the miracles that God has brought into our lives as Rotarians. On behalf of the Wave Team, I wish you a meaningful fasting season!

As a recap from last months Rotary activities, the Wave Team brings you Rotary International President Elect Barry Rassin and his Ann Esther Rassin visit to D9211; the first ever Rotary Project Fair in East Africa; Rotary Club of Kasangati Quiz Night, and the 12th intake of the Rotary Leadership Institute training! I welcome back each one of you who was able to take part in the mentioned activities. Well done! We bring you a pictorial of what transpired.

We also had bad news during the month. Our colleagues from the Rotary Clubs of Acacia Sunset, Kampala, Kajjansi and Kololo lost their members. As Rotarians we join in celebrating their lives and also mourn their passing. May Their Soul Rest in Eternal Peace.

March is a designated month for Water and Sanitation. On our cover page is Past District Governor Robert Waggwa-Nsibirwa together with the World Class Presidents 2015-2016 in Uganda at the unveiling and handing over a World Class Presidents' joint water project to a community of over 25,000 people in the Adopt-A-Village Makukuba. The project celebrated Rotary's role in responding to the community crisis relating to access to clean water.

Do not forget to read District Governor Ken's message to remind you of his expectations during the month of March. Enjoy the Wave!

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## **President's Message**

Ian H.S. Riseley President 2017-18 Rotary International





In the half-century since Rotaract began, the world has seen profound changes, and young people have felt the greatest impact of those changes: the rise of technology and the information economy, the spread of education, and the tremendous influence of the internet. When Rotaract was founded. it would have been almost unthinkable for a teen or 20-something to have been an entrepreneur or a CEO. Today, young people have an unprecedented capacity to achieve - and Rotary needs their ideas and enthusiasm as never before.

For many years, Rotary has done Rotaract a disservice by looking at our youth and young adult programs as mere precursors to Rotary membership, and not as valuable and productive programs in their own right. But Rotaractors are truly partners in Rotary service.

Today, an estimated quarter of a million Rotaractors serve in over 10,000 clubs, in nearly every country where Rotary clubs exist. The impact of their service is particularly impressive when contrasted



with their resources. Rotaractors achieve an amazing amount with far less money at their disposal than the average Rotary club. Their energy and vision bring something wonderful to our Rotary family and to our communities, and we value it very much.

**ROTARY**:

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Yet only 27 percent of Rotary clubs sponsor a Rotaract club, a figure that has remained fairly stable over time. And far too few Rotaractors ultimately do move on to Rotary membership. As we celebrate this anniversary with Rotaract I encourage all Rotary clubs to consider sponsoring a Rotaract club or to strengthen their ties with the clubs they already Schedule regular sponsor. joint meetings, run joint service projects, and reach out to Rotaractors - not only to ask if you can help, but to find out how you can work together. Know vour Rotaract clubs and their members – and make sure that every Rotaractor knows that a Rotary club is waiting to welcome them.

For half a century, Rotaract has given young people a way to find the same connections with their communities, and the same value in service, that Rotarians find in Rotary. Rotaractors are connecting us to the Rotary of our future, while helping us build the Rotary of today.

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## **Trustee Chair's Message**

Paul A. Netzel Trustee Chair 2017-18 Rotary International



Questions, questions, questions. Two topics I am frequently asked about during my visits with Rotarians around the world relate to Rotary's website and our Foundation's grants. Quite likely you have had these questions and more, about things such donor as contributions, point transfers, club and district reports, club invoices, and club officer changes, to name a few. If you don't know where to find the answer, Rotary's Support Center is the place to start.

The Rotary Support Center is an easily accessible first point of contact for Rotarians, donors, staff, and others to help answer questions in English, French, and Spanish. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time, Monday through Friday. You can reach the toll-free Support Center at 1-866-976-8279 (1-866-9ROTARY). Email inquiries to rotarysupportcenter@rotary.org will be responded to within one business day.

The Support Center averages 3,500 calls per month. This includes about 1,500 callers who want to be directed to a specific person or Rotary department, allowing easier access within our complex organization. On average, 7,000 emails are responded to each month.

With only an eight-year history, the

Rotary Support Center has been certified as a Center of Excellence by Benchmark Portal, the industry leader in contact center benchmarking. The Center of Excellence recognition is one of the most prestigious awards in the customer service and support industry. This distinction requires that a center be both efficient and effective, providing service that is of superior quality with lower overall costs compared with other centers in the service industry.

The Rotary Support Center team also includes a Visitor Services and Tour Program coordinator to schedule tours and large group meetings for those who want to visit Rotary headquarters. Rotary has a surprising number of visitors each year. Are you planning a visit to the Chicago area? You can request a tour by sending an email to <u>visitors@rotary.org</u>. Perhaps our paths will cross at One Rotary Center!

I am confident you will agree with the 96 percent quality score the center has received from satisfied customers.

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**ROTARY**:

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT ELECT BARRY RASSIN VISIT TO TANZANIA - PICTORIAL**



The Rotary Foundation Dinner in Tanzania

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT ELECT BARRY RASSIN AND HIS ANN ESTHER RASSIN VISIT TO UGANDA - PICTORIAL





**District Governor's Message** 

## **District 9211 News**

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Kenneth Wycliffe Mugisha District Governor 2017-2018 Rotary Club of Muyenga

The Rotary year is whizzing by at a very fast pace. February was an amazing month of numerous achievements! D9211 had an honor to host Rotary International President Elect Barry Rasin and his Ann Esther Rassin. We hosted the first Annual Project Fair with over 50 clubs and 300 projects and welcomed several International partners from Europe, United States of America, Canada and Asia. Thank you all because we came out as winners.

The month of March we focus on Water and Sanitation. We celebrate Rotary's role in responding to the community crisis relating to access to clean water.



Somewhere in your community a man wakes up expecting to find clean water for him to bath. After his bath, he expects a fresh shirt that his wife washed and health breakfast his wife prepared. Behind all these daily rituals, we take little notice of the untold story of a Woman's struggle for water that we MUST pay attention to. Over 663 million people in the world have no access to clean water. The struggle for water is the woman's main chore of the day. She will walk for miles only to return with 20 litres of water which she must use to cook, to clean, to bath and to wash clothes.

In urban centers, she may not walk that far to get to what is known in the community as the "borehole" but she will find a long line of jerrycans snaking their way to the source of water. On average a woman in Africa spends a minimum of two hours a day in pursuit of water.

This keeps women enslaved to the pursuit of water. They must prioritize their water trek and so will dig less and have less time for economic activities. It also keeps girls out school. At an early age, a girl will be held back from school to join the water trek and ensure that the family has water. Access to water gives the girl child a chance to spend fewer hours in water trekking and more hours in school.

Clean water frees the girl child from a life of "water carrier" to a life of limitless possibilities offered bv education. In the same way, access to water gives a woman more time to sow and reap a generous harvest in her garden. It gives her more time to commit to income generating projects. It is an accepted fact that improved income for a woman translates to better welfare for her entire household. Even when they do get the water, it is not always clean. The water that they have trekked for then becomes the source of disease and further ordeal. Water borne diseases kill more people annually than war. Of these 43% are children under 5 years. You can only imagine the trauma of a woman

nursing her under 5 year old child only to lose him to dysentery.



As Rotarians. let us invest considerable time, talent and resources to help improve the lives of many we do not know by joining the WashRAG, donate to water projects, give time, and give money, give your skill. Dig a well, sink a bore hole, devise water harvesting methods and lobby policy makers. Do anything to make access to clean water possible. In so doing you will have touched almost every other area of Rotary focus. You will have made education accessible to girls, will have addressed the vou economic empowerment of women, you will have tackled Disease, maternal health issues, you will have made your impact as you continue to make a difference.



## THE ROTARACT PEACE PROJECT WORKSHOP 2018

#### By Rtn. Hope Tumwesigye



Bringing Positive Peace to Uganda initiative is a global Rotary grant for Club of Kampala Islands Ssese in partnership with La Jolla Golden Triangle

Rotary Club California, USA working with IEP, IPSI and the Charitable Foundation.



2016-2017Rotaractors underwent In training in identifying and implementing projects related to the eight pillars of peace and this workshop was to evaluate and reward the 10 successful projects.

projects were awarded \$500 each to enable them expand the scope of the project as well as implement the sustainability plans indicated in their closure reports. This initiative is a pilot and once successful it will be spread to other Rotaractors across Africa. The Rotaract Peace Projects Workshop took place on 20th January 2018 at The Sanctum, an Apartment Hotel located

on Entebbe road. The theme for this workshop was: "Peace is more than the absence just of conflict". A total of \$7,000 provided by was the Charitable Foundation towards the scaling up of the Rotaractors' projects. This was the third workshop held under the grant global and the

purpose was to close the project.

Twenty five Rotaract clubs with forty five participants from different districts in Uganda that is; Kabale, Kasese,

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This initiative is in line with the Rotary area of focus - Peace and Conflict Resolution. Out of the 25 participating

President Elect, Sam Owori who the front was runner in acquiring the global grant to run the Rotaract Peace Projects Workshops. The allowed session

Rotaractors to express their

Rotaract Clubs, the 10 successful expectations; self-evaluation, how to submit a Peace Project Report and the way the self-evaluation forms and Peace Project reports were critically scrutinized and assessed by Cluster heads of the Projects.



Roselyn Vusia, an Alumni Peace Fellow gave a talk about conducting peace projects and their connection to the Sustainable Development Goals.

Ten clubs were selected as winners of the grant award worth USD 5,000. These were: Rotaract clubs of Institute of Health Sciences; Uganda Nursing School Bwindi; Entebbe Airport; Kyambogo; Mbale School of Clinical fficers; Nateete Kampala; Lukuli Naganda; Kabale Community; Kampala Central and Jinja.



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## KCMC—IMEC ROTARY PROJECT

#### By Rtn. Faye Cran



Rotary Club of Moshi received Sue Crawford and her husband Glen an orthopedic surgeon and Sue and her Mark. husband Glen went to

medical school at Stanford and in their fourth year of medical school they did 4 months "electives" at KCMC --- in 1985!

In 2008 Glen decided to start an Orthopedics Overseas program at KCMC to teach orthopedics. Sue knows what it is like to practice medicine without the right equipment constantly, re-using and improvising. That is what attracted her to International Medical Equipment Collaborative (IMEC) nonprofit а humanitarian organization that is based in North Andover, Mass USA. IMEC equips medical facilities in developing countries all over the world- they equip small rural clinics to big referral hospitals. IMEC has sent over 1000 projects to more than 90 countries.



Sue says they love working with ROTARY because they always have great devoted teams on the sending and receiving end and they can get matching International grants. IMEC has done many projects with Rotary Clubs all over the world. These include Peru, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Egypt, Nigeria, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania Moshi and Babati. To be specific IMEC has provided four containers over a period of three years to Kilema Hospital, Kirua, Masaranga, Nganjoni, Upara clinics



and health centers.

For this latest KCMC-IMEC Rotary project- Mike Mefford from the Johnson City, Tennessee club was the main force in getting this to happen. He spearheaded the effort and got most of the funding on his end.



Rotary Club of Moshi did not actually give any money for this grant but instead mobilized clubs in the district and also an International Rotary Club Partner where Glen and Sue gave a donation from their local Rotary Club of Portsmouth, NH and they pooled everything together to get matching district funding and in the end the equipment was funded including the shipping and customs clearance costs and the cost of the VTT- Biomed training component.



Specific highlights were three new delivery tables, the bilirubin lights in the Intensive Care Unit, the cardiac monitors are so well received and the anesthesia machines making a huge impact as well as the new surgical equipment for the C-section.

The delivery of the equipment was followed by a rigorous training to the users special to mention was a tool provided to each trainee in terms of a flash with around 100 user and repair manuals on it for all the items sent in along with the equipment consignments.

The flash drives also had a program for scheduling work orders and



tracking them as well as scheduling routine preventative maintenance.

The Executive Director of the Hospital Dr. Masenga thanked Rotary and IMEC for providing high quality equipment and spot-on training which will ensure sustainability of the equipment.



PDG Robert Waggwa-Nsibirwa was elected by Rotary International President Ian Risley as the Rotary International President's Personal Representative for the District Conference—District 9141. The conference will be held at WARRI, DELTA STATE, Nigeria May 10-12, 2018.

PDG Emmanuel Katongole was elected by Rotary International President Ian Risley as the Rotary International President's Personal Representative for the District Conference - District 3070. The conference was held in India from 23-25 February, 2018.

> DG Kenneth Wycliffe Mugisha will constitute a panel of discussants to speak on the topic "Money and Food do grow on trees" putting emphasis on how we can use this year of tree planting to further environmental sustainable projects within Rotary; Explore highlights from regional Tree Planting Projects around the world and learn from their unique partnerships in the Six Areas of Focus and also discover how we can connect tree planting with human peace and well-being. This will be during the Toronto Convention.

PDG Francis Tusubira well known as "TUSU", was elected by Rotary International President Elect Barry Rassin to serve in the following positions: Vice-Chairperson, RI Strategic Plan Committee; Member, TRF Programs Committee; Technical Coordinator, Economic and Community Development TRF Cadre

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DSE Ronald Kawaddwa was invited by Rotary International President Ian Riseley to speak at the 2018 Rotaract Pre-convention, 22-23 June 2018 in Toronto, Canada. ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE EMMANUEL KATONGOLE AT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE IN D3070 INDIA - PICTORIAL



## Rotary Club of Kasangatí Annual Quíz Níght 2017-2018—Píctoríal

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ROTARY CLUB



President Jennifer Baluka Rotary Club of Kasangati

Rotary Club of Kasangati held its 2nd Annual Quiz Night in honor of Rotary International 113th Birthday on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at Kasangati Resort Centre. The main objective of the quiz was to share knowledge to make a difference. Fourteen Teams participated out of which two were Rotaract Teams. Many thanks to all Rotarians and Guests who joined us on our quiz night. It was a brilliant evening packed with fun, laughter, good food and loads of good people! There was a turnout of over 180 people. We congratulate the Overall winner-Rotary Club of Kampala Wandegeya; 1st Runner Up-Rotary Club of Nansana and 2nd Runner Up-Rotary Club of Kampala Ssese Islands. To those who did not make it this time, we hope to see you at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quiz Night in February 2019!

# Rotary Making a Difference — Pictorial







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REF Team from Nigeria at Muyenga Sunday Sunset fellowship









## THE DISTRICT PERFORMANCE AWARDS 2017-2018—Email: awards@district 9211.org

LUB ATTENDANCE AWARD

Will be presented to the Club with the highest annual average attendance of all its members in their club fellowships from July 1 2017 to March 31, 2018 in accordance with the Club's Constitution and Bylaws. Rotary Club Central shall be used to determine this.

**MEMBERSHIP AWAR** 

To be presented to the Club with the highest net percentage increase in Membership as will be recorded and seen on Rotary Club Central by March 31, 2018

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AWARD (

To be presented to the Rotary Clubs, one in Uganda and another in Tanzania with the highest attendance of Club members at the District Conference

SPECIAL CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE RECOGNITIO

To be presented to the Club with the highest attendance of Rotarians at the District Conference by distance travelled. Local clubs are not eligible. The distance travelled shall be calculated as the shortest distance "as the crow flies"

VOCATIONAL SERVICE AWARD

To be presented to the Club that has excelled in Vocational Service through the pursuit of high ethical standards, recognition of all worthy occupations and contributing ones vocational talents to serve society. The club must have undertaken several vocational service activities and must have participated in the annual programmes of Rotary International on Vocational Service.

#### OMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

To be presented to the Club that has carried out the best Community Service Project that is clearly focused on the concerns and basic needs of the community. The project must have maximum participation and active involvement of Rotary members. The project must show evidence of having addressed the six areas of focus of Rotary International

#### INTERNATIONAL SERVICE AWARD

To be presented to the club that has excelled in the development of international understanding and goodwill through Rotary's programmes on International Service. The club must have participated in World Community Service by establishing international contacts with Rotary Clubs overseas. The Club shall have undertaken activities that comply with the annual programmes of Rotary International on International Service

#### ROTARACT AWARE

To be presented to the Interact Club that has excelled in providing an opportunity for its members to work together in a world fellowship dedicated to service and international understanding. A high standard of Club leadership is desirable as well as participation in District and International Conferences.

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#### CLUB BULLETIN AWARE

To be presented to the Club that has published a regular Club Bulletin that is both interesting and informative on Rotary matters. Preference shall be given for publishing a weekly bulletin. Clubs must submit bulletin soft copies to the District Bulletins Chair. His committee will recommend to the Awards Committee.

#### YOUTH SERVICE AWARD

To be presented to the Club that has performed a Youth Service Project that has addressed the important needs of the community related to young persons. The project must have focused on the rights of children, children at risk, youth with disabilities and other youth problems, and shall have involved Rotaract and or Interact Clubs where possible.

#### THE ROTARY FOUNDATION AWARD

To be presented to the Club with best all round performance in the programs of The Rotary Foundation. The Club shall have contributed, to world understanding and peace through local, national and international humanitarian, educational and cultural programs of the Rotary Foundation. The Club's per capita contribution to the Annual programs Fund, Permanent Fund, and other special funds during the year shall be important criteria. Usage of Global Grants and filing of complete Global Grant project reports shall also be an important consideration

#### MEMBERSHIP EXTENSION AWARD

To be presented to the Club with the highest combined total number of new Rotary, Rotaract and Interact Clubs chartered and Rotary Community Corps formed and recognized at Rotary International

#### **GENDER BALANCE AWARD**

To be presented to the Club that has the best gender balance as at March 31, 2018 as recorded and seen on Rotary Club Central. It is important that all gender data is captured on RCC by March 31, 2018

#### ENVIRONMENT—MISSION GREEN AWARDS

To be presented to the Club that has the best project for "Preservfing Planet Earth" through sensitization and implementation of environment protection initiatives including tree planting, water harvesting, harnessing of solar and wind energy and public awareness on environment protection.

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARI

To be presented to the Club that has performed best in making Rotary visible in the community and the District. Press cuttings from newspapers, video clips, audio records, club photographs and reports shall be considered.

**DIVERSITY AWARD** 

To be presented to the Club that has membership that is most diverse in terms of gender dis-aggregation, race, classification, age, religioni and nationalities

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## DTTS / PETS / STETS is a priority!:

TRAINING	VENUE	DATES	AMOUNT
DTTS	Agra-India	February 28-March 4, 2018	
PETS	Silver Springs Bugolobi	Full Day March 24, 2018	40,000 /=
Director, Service Projects	Silver Springs Bugolobi	Half Day March 25, 2018	20,000 /=
STETS	Silver Springs Bugolobi	Half Day March 25, 2018	20,000/=
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April 7th and 8th, 2018

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# THE DAY GOD CALLED THEM HOME ... Untíl We Meet Agaín

Those special memories of you will always bring a smile if only we could have you back for just a little while. God looked around his garden and he found an empty place.

He then looked down upon this earth, and saw your tired face.

He put his arms around you and lifted you to rest. God's garden must be beautiful! He always takes the best. He knew that you were suffering! He knew you were in pain! He knew that you would never get well on earth again. He saw that the road was getting rough. And the hills are hard to climb, so he closed your weary eyelids and whispered "Peace be with you". It broke our hearts to lose you but you did not go alone.

Many went with you that day that God called you home.

The fact that you are no longer here! Your absence will always cause us pain as the Rotary Family! But you are forever in our hearts until we meet again.

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Rtn. Edward Bakojja Past President Rotary Club of Kampala



Rtn. Father John Mary Viane Mugabo Rotary Club of Kajjansi



Rtn. Jim Mukasa World Class President Rotary Club of Kololo