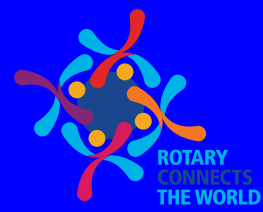
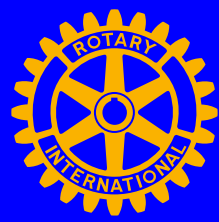




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EDITOR'S NOTE

It's that time of the year when the excitement is heightened because of the festive season is setting in. In Rotary we are also very excited especially because we get to do things that prepare us for the second half of the year. Many clubs will reveal the leadership teams that will take over in July, the fellowship session will be wrought with loads of Xmas carols and goodies galore, gifts will be exchanged and calls for payment of dues will pervade the 'inboxes' of many Rotarians.

That typically defines our December.

The editorial team at the Wave is also very excited to bring you this edition and hope that you will continue to enjoy reading our publications. We would also want to wish you all a very merry Christmas and prosperous new year. We implore you to stay safe during this holiday season. We will be eagerly awaiting your stories to enable us to share them with the readers in District 9211.



OPPORTUNITY

Starting with the month of September, we are offering an opportunity to all Rotarians and Rotaractors who would like to advertise their businesses on this online platform. We have included a card with very attractive rates to enable us not only grow our businesses but Rotary too. All proceeds from this advertising space will go towards the Rotary Foundation of the respective countries. We believe this will be a great opportunity to directly reach the over 5,000 Rotarians and further organically reach their networks.



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RI President's December Message

Mark Daniel Maloney
President 2019-20



There is no experience quite like attending the Rotary International Convention. Discover the true spirit of aloha and Rotary with your family, friends, and fellow Rotarians from 6 to 10 June in Honolulu. It is the perfect setting for the entire family of Rotary to celebrate, collaborate, and connect.

There are two types of people who enjoy visits to Hawaii — those who have never been to the islands and are about to have unique and wonderful experiences, and those who have had those Hawaiian moments etched into their memories already and cannot wait to create some new ones.

The convention is the best place to find and share your aloha, which you will soon discover is much more than a greeting. Just as Rotary is a way of life for Rotarians, aloha is a way of life for Hawaiians — one that focuses on living in harmony, being patient, treating everyone with respect, and sharing joy with your family, or 'ohana.

Our host committee has arranged some fabulous events for you and your family. This includes a Hawaiian Culture and Lunch Boat Cruise, a two-hour tour that will feature spectacular views of Diamond Head, Waikiki, and the Kahala Gold Coast. On board, you can learn to play the ukulele, take part in hula dancing, and create your own Hawaiian flower lei.

You will also have the opportunity to enjoy a full range of island hospitality events, from small backyard picnics to multicourse family meals. There will be fantastic service projects to see, including two ancient Hawaiian fishponds. And a sunrise Walk for Peace will take place at the beautiful Ala Moana Beach Park, a 3-mile stroll in the shadow of the iconic Diamond Head crater.

Inside and outside the convention halls, we are going to hold the most family-friendly convention in Rotary history, including a family-centered opening

ceremony and family-focused events in the House of Friendship. The opening session will, of course, include our traditional flag ceremony.

Our 2020 convention will also be a time to celebrate Rotary's historical ties to the United Nations. As I mentioned in my November message, June 2020 will mark the 75th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations charter. On the day before the start of the convention, Rotary and the UN will host our fifth joint event of 2019-20, one focused on environmental sustainability.

In addition, we are planning the greenest convention in Rotary history — and I will share more details about this in the months ahead. But now, go to riconvention.org and click the REGISTER button right below the Honolulu Hawaii 2020 logo. Early registration discount pricing ends 15 December, so do not delay.

Rotary Connects the World in no better way than at the Rotary Convention. Bring your family to meet our family. See you in Honolulu!

DG's December Message

December is an exciting time of the year as we prepare for the festive season. In Rotary it is the month that we commemorate one of our key focus areas: disease prevention and treatment. Initially this coincidence struck me as ironical until I began to draw some correlations. The festive season involves gifting to family members, friends and colleagues and I am certain many of us are already feeling the pressure. But there are gifts and then there are gifts. Good health is one of the latter. Infact it is one of those gifts that keep on giving! So, what a privilege it is for us as Rotarians to focus on this priceless gift during the month of December!

Because of technological advancement and the information age, many ailments are now treatable and even preventable. And yet in our part of the world, people and particularly children in our rural communities continue to die from the simplest of causes. While some of these unfortunate deaths are attributed to ignorance, many have resulted from lack of access to basic services and the exorbitant costs of medical care. Last week, I linked up with our partners in the Rotary-USAID WASH Programme to commemorate the World Toilet Day in Jinja. Did you know that close to 200,000 children under the age of five die each year in Uganda, mostly due to malaria, pneumonia and diarrheal diseases? And this is largely due to poor sanitation and waste disposal methods.

Over the last two decades, Rotarians in Tanzania and Uganda have made significant investments in the health sector. Today we boast of state of the art Cancer treatment centres at Nsambya and Muhimbili hospitals as well as the Blood Bank at Mengo Hospital. But these are only a fraction of the health centres and hospitals that have been constructed, rehabilitated and equipped by Rotary clubs in our district. We have also conducted numerous health camps for communities across our district; and these efforts are collectively contributing to better health care for our people. Even then, the cost of delivering and accessing these services remains high.

And so during this month, I would like to urge all Rotary Clubs to give more attention to the more cost effective option – Disease Prevention. I am requesting you to engage your communities more actively on better health seeking behavior to prevent disease. For example in addition to immunization against polio and other child killer diseases that are a regular feature of our Rotary Family Health Days – let us step up health education campaigns. Let us promote simple things like boiling drinking water and hand washing in our WASH projects. Let us take advantage of initiatives such as the Rotarian Malaria Partners programmes to promote the universal usage of mosquito nets.

But as they say, you can't give what you don't have. We are entering a season of indulgence, when the risk of non-communicable diseases rises significantly. So again, I would like to encourage you to enjoy the festive season mindfully and to include in your 2020 resolutions, life style modifications that will ensure that you are fit and healthy enough to continue serving your community through Rotary.

Like myself, I hope you will use this season to spend some quality time with your families. Rotary activities often take up a lot of our time. But we must remember that there is no Rotary without the family. Our family members should not be made to feel like we are replacing them with Rotary. Rather, let them know that we are adding Rotary to the family to create a happier and more inclusive world.

Brenda, the girls and I, wish you all a Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

F X Sentamu
District Governor 2019 - 20
Rotary International District 9211

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POLIO WALK IN ARUSHA TANZANIA – OCT 2019

*By Rotarian Ciren Gracias
Rotary Club of Arusha Mount Meru
District 9211*

It was a cold, rainy and damp Saturday morning in Arusha, Tanzania but one which did not dampen the spirits of several Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactions and friends and well-wishers of Rotary from reporting at the designated starting point near the Via Via hotel at 6.30am to take part in a Polio Walk. The drops of rain falling from the sky perhaps a symbolism of the Polio drops orally administered to children as immunization against Polio.

The purpose of the walk was threefold, to celebrate World Polio day, to raise awareness in the community about Polio including the consequences of non-immunization and lastly to raise funds for the Polio Plus partners program of Rotary International.

Polio, or poliomyelitis, as it is known in medical terms is an infectious disease and can cause paralysis. Rotary has been at the forefront in eradicating the disease for the past thirty years with tremendous success. The walk has been organized for several years in the past in Arusha by one or two clubs. But for the very first time the Polio Walk 2019 was jointly organized by four Rotary clubs (District 9211) namely the Rotary Club Arusha, Rotary Club Arusha Mount Meru, Rotary Arusha Golden Sunrise and Rotary Club Arusha Clock Tower. There were also two Rotaract Clubs and two Interact clubs who participated, Rotaract Club Arusha City, Rotaract Club St Jude's Arusha, Interact Club St Jude's Arusha and Interact Club Njiro. So it was a fantastic joint initiative.

Planning started about a month before the event and the subcommittee was made up of members of all four clubs. There was great interaction and bringing together of minds in the true spirit of Rotary. On the day itself, participants who numbered almost two hundred, set off on the walk which was five kilometres in total and carefully chosen to pass through the central business district of Arusha and the most busy market area to attract maximum visibility and draw attention to the

cause. The participants were all in a bright mood probably reflective of their bright red T-Shirts that everyone wore, with the "End Polio Now" slogan and the Rotary wheel emblazoned on them.

A kilometre down the road, the walk was joined by a school band that the Rotary had asked to lead the way. The band was amazing, they were all smartly dressed in matching uniform, and the band leader just like his adult counterparts would, twirling his baton with style and verve. There were lots of instruments and the catchy tunes being played to a marching beat, made the walk livelier from this point onwards. A group of Rotarians led the way with Rotary banners advertising the Polio Walk.

The pace was fast and the five kilometres was covered in one hour and fifteen minutes. The ending point was the same as the walk started and fittingly the sun started shining again as if to say well done! There were the customary speeches by the Polio Walk committee to explain about the walk, sponsors and the band were thanked and everyone who participated were thanked as well for making the 2019 Rotary Polio walk in Arusha, Tanzania a grand success.



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Tax Exemptions for Rotary Clubs

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Tax Consultant

I wish to share with you some of my insights regarding taxation of Rotary Clubs (especially in Uganda). I say especially in Uganda because Rotary Clubs in Uganda took up a legal status of Companies Limited By Guarantee which seems to be totally different in Tanzania. These are insights garnered from over 25 years of experience in both tax administration and private practice as a tax consultant.

Two days ago I made a presentation about Creative Ways of Working With Corporate Sponsors at Rotary Club of Kampala Sunrise and as part of my presentation I talked about the need for clubs to obtain tax exemption. This seemed to arouse a lot of interest and indeed answered questions in that regard. It is important that this information be shared with a wider Rotary audience.

Points to note (in no order of importance)

1. Rotary Clubs are companies limited by guarantee: that puts an obligation on clubs to file annual returns to the company's registry; Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB). Clubs (companies) must also be tax compliant and as such (among other things) file annual tax returns with the tax authorities (Uganda Revenue Authority / Tanzania Revenue Authority - if so provided in the Tanzania tax laws).

2. Club qualification - I have just shared with you a list of clubs (as compiled by the qualification Committee) - one underlying premise in the qualification process is stewardship (Financial Management Procedures, Audited Financial statements, Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Rotary International, Proper Books Of Accounts, Annual General Meetings at which formal reports are presented etc). If a Club successfully qualifies to participate in global funds, then it is in a position to be compliant (point 1).

3. Corporate partners that we seek to work with in our fundraising efforts are usually large companies that would want to both be tax compliant and also take optimal tax savings. Donations made to charitable organisations are tax deductible in the companies tax returns on condition that the donee (Rotary Club) is an exempt organisation. So clubs

need to obtain tax exemption for them to attract donations from these companies (The thrust of my attached presentation is on what it takes to process the exemption in Uganda). Much as this is based on Uganda's tax laws and our legal status as Clubs in Uganda, I thought the Tanzanian audience may borrow a leaf as well.

4. Company Directors Tax compliance - as we register our Clubs as companies we indicate who the Company Directors are. As part of the tax authorities' evaluation of the tax exemption application, a spot light is put on who the Directors are and if all of them are tax compliant. So if a company (Club) has 8 directors, all the 8 must be tax compliant (filing tax returns, paying taxes due etc). From my experience in this area, I have dealt with cases where an application is thrown out on account of just one or two directors not filing their tax returns. As part of our planning as Clubs, it behooves us to carefully choose our Directors and pick only those who are tax compliant.

5. Application to Uganda Revenue Authority (URA) - one of the conditions (attachment) for exemption is that Companies must make a written application to URA. This has always been an oversight by many charitable organizations that would otherwise tick off all the boxes. Just because our Clubs are charitable organizations does not automatically qualify them to be Exempt Organizations until all conditions spelt out in the income tax act (excerpt in the attachment) are met and one of which is Written Application!

So as we seek to serve our communities through impactful service projects, we need to obtain funds from the Rotary Foundation and also corporate sponsors. However, there is quite a bit of home work and house cleaning to do for us to attract those funds.

I hope this article has piqued your interest as a member of your Club to have your club up its corporate governance game.

Please feel free to drop me a line for any further discussion / clarification.



Being a unique Club (Rotary Club of Kiwatule)

The Rotary Club of Kiwatule (DG's Club) is the only Rotary club in the world among the 35,000 Clubs that is currently sponsoring Two (2) Rotaract Clubs in the Nakivale Refugee settlement in Western Uganda. These are Rotaract Clubs of Nakivale which has 37 members and the Rotaract Club of Nakivale Juru that was recently chartered on November 23rd 2019 with 26 charter members; this was after a day of informative and action packed training on; how to run a Rotaract club, leadership and professional growth, Roles of a mother club, innovation and creativity of incoming generating activities to mention but a few.

With a total of over 30 Rotaractors in each club, the Refugee Rotaract clubs are exceptional in a way that they are carrying out projects that cover the 6 areas of focus but, with an emphasis on Economic Empowerment, Education and Literacy and, Disease Treatment and Prevention. These

exceptional Rotaractors have gone ahead to grow partnerships with different local and international organizations that support refugee camps. For example, The American Refugee Committee supports their Education and literacy program through trainings in vocational skills such as art and craft, weaving, tailoring and carpentry. The World Food Programme (WFP) and United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNCHR) has supported and employed Rotaractors like the Charter President Paul Mushaho who goes around the camp to monitor the saving schemes set up for the refugees and, educates them on Financial Literacy.

On Economic Empowerment, the Rotaractors have set up tailoring shops, selling of fabric and making art and crafts that they sell within the camp and online or through bazaars organized around the local markets.

Another great partnership formed was with the Rotaract Club of Salisbury City in Australia; the 2 Clubs came together to donate classroom furniture for Best Future School, which provides elementary education for the Refugee Albinos in the camp. Using locally available materials and skills, this support will procure 30 benches, and other furniture for the school.

The Rotary Club of Kiwatule set up a special committee led by The District Governor F. Xavier Sentamu, Service Projects and the Youth Service Committees to regularly monitor the performance of these Clubs especially their health, well-being and growth. This monitoring is done on a quarterly basis where trainings and capacity building of these youths is conducted. To and fro travels are also done where the Rotaractors come to fellowship in Kampala during the weekly Club meeting conducted by Rotary Club of Kiwatule; in these meetings they freely present reports on what they are doing in the camp. Kiwatule continues to enhance the visibility of these Rotaractors all over Rotary where they attended the District Conference and Assembly this year in Dar es salaam, Tanzania. They also participated and attend Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RLYA) so that they can fit in the company of other Rotaractors and share experiences from a different environment.

As a Rotary Club, we take pride in this diversity and expansion of Rotary's work out of our normal comfort zones of the regular communities where we form clubs. We are also looking forward to chartering a Rotary Club in the same camp because the aging Rotaractors expressed interest in transiting to Rotary. Finally, part of our plans to grow in Membership Extension like we have done in Nakivale, as Club we plan to form other Rotaract clubs in other refugee settlements and Youth initiatives. As we Re-District, we shall keep monitoring Nakivale in partnership with the neighboring clubs like RC Mbarara that we are already working with to harness these partnerships even further.



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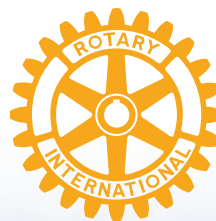
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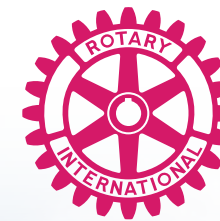
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The Walls Speak Art Exhibition

Adopted from
Taddeo Bwambale

The Walls Speak Art Exhibition, held at Kingdom Kampala Mall, was organised by the Rotary Club of Ntinda Metropolitan and Wonder Art Gallery.

A piece of art by a Ugandan artist, Martin Ssenkubuge sold for sh25m at the exhibition held to raise funds for the rehabilitation of Busunju Health Centre II located in Mityana district. The painting depicts a community of unity, in which people help one another.

The health facility is the only one in Sekanyonyi sub-county and it serves over 20,000 people. Poor sanitation and inadequate beds for patients are some of the challenges at the facility. "Currently, expectant mothers have to walk long distances to access maternal health services. This puts the health of both the mother and baby at great risk.

The fundraising will continue until the ward is fully functional," said Moses Kimuli, the club president. The Rotary Club of Ntinda Metropolitan is one of 140 clubs that fall under Rotary District 9211, which covers Tanzania and Uganda.



World's Greatest Meal 2019 (WGM)

Rtn. Stieve Alusa Kafuna
Rotary Club of Nsambya
Club Secretary



The Rotary Club of Kampala Nsambya has been organizing this fundraising dinner under the theme of the World's Greatest Meal (WGM) since 2015. This Rotary year, the WGM took place on 26th October 2019 at Hotel Africana as the 5th WGM to be organized.

The event attracted more than 150 participants both Rotarians and non-Rotarians. The following Rotary Clubs were represented. RC Muyenga, RC Mengo, RC Ggaba, RC Munyonyo, RC Bukoto, RC Natete Kampala, RC Muyenga Sunday Sunset, RC Mutundwe, RC Kyanja, RC Kasangati, RC Kigo, RC Kajansi, RC Bunga, RC Makindye, RC Kampala Sunrise, RC Kyengera. The Rotaract Clubs that were represented included The Mighty Eagles Kinawataka, Kibuli, KIU, and YMCA. Several sponsors were also in attendance, including Bank of Uganda, Universal Multi-Purpose Enterprise, CIDI, Ms Alice Njeri, St. Janan Schools, Joint Clinic Research Center (JCRC), St. Peter's SSS Nsambya, St. Peter's P/S Nsambya, Garden Courts (Masaka), Central Uganda Spina Bifida & Hydrocephalus.

PAG Mike Ssebalu from the Rotary Club of Bukoto represented the District Governor on the event as Chief Guest and Mr Kelvin Kizito Kiyangi Deputy Director, Bank of Uganda Communications Department was Guest of Honour.

A total of USD 5,000.00 was raised in cash and pledges.

USD 1,000.00 will be submitted to RI under Polio Plus grants while the rest will be dedicated towards the Wheel Chair project.

Under the guidance of President Rosemary, the entire family of RC Kampala Nsambya extend our appreciation to all those who offered their support of any form that led to the successful event. May the Almighty bless you all as we remain connected through Rotary.



RC Kampala South Vocational Tour

On Friday the 22nd of November 2019, a group of Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Kampala South and Friends set off to Hoima for a Family of Rotary Hospitality Visit and Vocational Tour hosted by Major Donor, Rtn. Joseph Baroraho at his Rafiki Hotel on JB Towers.

The visit included vocational tours of Rtn. John Fitzgerald Magara's Sugar Factory and Dairy farm at Bwendero, Hoima and the Mpuuta 1 Oil Well in Kaiso-Tonya.



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Venue: Impala Group of Hotels

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Local Clubs - Max 2 Clubs per Booth	\$200
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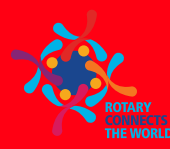
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DECEMBER 2019, DG VISITATION SCHEDULE

Date	Activity 1 (AM)	Activity 2 (Noon)	Activity 3 (PM)
Tue 03-Dec-19			RC Lugazi Central
Wed 04-Dec-19			RC Kyambogo
Thu 05-Dec-19			RC Ntinda Metro
Fri 06-Dec-19		RC Mbarara East/Rwampara	Charter of RC Mbarara City
Sat 07-Dec-19		RC Kigo charter/Cheza Na Afrigo (Kampala Sseese)	
Sun 08-Dec-19			RCE-Club charter
Mon 09-Dec-19			
Tue 10-Dec-19			
Wed 11-Dec-19			RC Lugogo Mango Tree
Thu 12-Dec-19	Travel to Arua/Nebbi (In-Formation)		
Fri 13-Dec-19	RC of Arua		
Sat 14-Dec-19	Presidents Forum - In Arua		Charter of RC Arua Eco City



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