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# 94<sup>th</sup> District Conference & Assembly (#DCA94) RECAP



CATHERINE NJUGUNA

Dear Rotarians,

They came, they saw and they had a great fellowship! Over 1,200 Rotarians, Rotaractors and their friends and families descended Dar es Salaam for the recently concluded 94th District Conference and Assembly. They enjoyed the four evening and three – day program with many inspiring speakers, entertainment, panel discussions and in between conducted District business including voting for the budget and elections and passing on the baton to new incoming leaders.

This May edition of the Wave attempts to share with you the highlights of the 94DCA. The organizing committee led by Rotarian Kishan Dhebar worked tirelessly to ensure that the event was well organized and that all those who attended, had fun and went back having grown a little, learnt something new and made new friends. For those who did not attend, we this edition, will show you what you missed.

Everyone loves a winner! Which clubs impressed the DG the most in her year? Well read on to find out the Rotary, Rotaract and Interact clubs of the years in the District and winners of various categories of the DG's awards. From us, congratulations to all the winner. And by the way, know who is the next DG after DGN Rosette Nabumba? Read on to find out that too!

We were also honoured to have several of our Past District Governors selected as Rotary International President Representatives to other DCA's. We bring you their experiences in these events.

Happy reading

*Catherine, Flavia and Eric*

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## RI PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# BE THE INSPIRATION TO THE YOUNG LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITIES

**BARRY  
RASSIN**



*The people who know me best — my family — know that my passion for Rotary is boundless. They also know that I don't expect them to get involved in Rotary the way I have. It's a choice that's up to them. But I must admit, I can't help smiling when I see them making the right choice.*

At the end of the Toronto convention last year, my 12-year-old granddaughter turned to me and said, "I'm inspired to do something. What can I do?" Naturally, I did what any other Rotarian grandfather worth his salt would do: I asked her if there was an Interact club in her school. When she discovered there wasn't, she attempted to set one up. Unfortunately, her principal had other ideas, but we should not be deterred from helping Rotary youth programs whenever we can, because their value is beyond question.

Take Rotary Youth Leadership Awards as one example. It transforms young people into more confident, focused individuals with a better understanding of the world around them — changes I was pleased to see in my 16-year-old grandson after he participated

My family is just the beginning. Everywhere I go, I meet people of all ages whose lives have been changed by our youth programs. They tell me how, five or 15 or 25 years ago, Rotary Youth Exchange taught them a new language or introduced them to a new culture. Their eyes light up when they talk about how New Generations Service Exchange helped them advance in their career, or about how membership in Rotaract first ignited their passion for giving back to the community.

Rotary's programs for young leaders extend our ideals of service, friendship, and leadership development beyond the doors of our clubs to hundreds of thousands of young people each year. And when we serve with and for those young people — as sponsors, project partners, and mentors — it brings out the best in us, and it brings out the best in Rotary.

May is Youth Service Month, and there are many ways your Rotary club can celebrate. Sponsor an Interact club or Rotaract club, and your Rotary club will give young people in your community the tools they need to take action, become leaders, and gain a global perspective. Team up with your local Rotaract club for a service project. Get to know the participants in Rotary's programs for young leaders and share their stories with your community. You'll find more ideas in this year's Rotary Citation brochure, located under the Awards section of the Member Center at [my.rotary.org](http://my.rotary.org).

This month, let's Be the Inspiration to the young leaders in our communities by mentoring them, engaging them, and working side by side with them on meaningful projects. It's an investment in their future and in the world they will live in after we're gone. And it's work that will forever enrich their lives, and our own.



# Play your part CONNECT WITH OUR YOUTH PROGRAMS

SHARMILA  
BHATT



*A little boy and his father visited a country store, and upon leaving the store, the owner of the store offered the little boy some free Sweets... “Get a hand full of Sweets”, the merchant said to the boy. The boy just stood there looking up at his father. The owner repeated himself, “Son get a hand full of Sweets... it’s free.” Again, the boy did not move, continuing to look up in the face of his father.*

Finally, the father reached into the candy jar and got a hand full of Sweets and gave it to his son. As they walked back home, the father stopped and asked his son why he did not grab a hand full of the free candy that the store owner had offered. The boy with a big smile on his face looked into the face of his father and said, “Because I know that your HAND is BIGGER than mine.”

Likewise, the hands of Rotarians are bigger and we can collectively hold hands with our Youth i.e. our Rotaractors and Interactors and walk with them, talk to them, connect with them and guide them on their paths. This month our focus and celebration will be around “Youth Service ” and therefore let us play our part.

We just completed the 94th District conference and Assembly, an event that was long anticipated. I believe those of you who attended went home with takeaways and good memories of Dar es Salaam.

Thank you to all delegates and the organising team. I am happy to hear of the many fellowships in clubs are currently centred around conference take-aways and learnings. Consistent and never-ending self-improvement is the only way to progress or else talent without discipline is like an octopus on roller skates, where there is plenty of movement but you don't know if it's going forward, backward or sideways.



*DG Sharmila handing over the Rotaract chain of DRR at the DCA*

# DEPUTY MINISTER *praises Rotarians efforts to eradicate polio*



*The Tanzania Deputy Minister of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children, Hon Dr Fausinte Ndugulile, has congratulated Rotary's concerted efforts for over 34 years to make history by eradicating polio from the world.*

"This is a very noble initiative and I commend you all for this achievement and the good work you are doing. After this, we would urge you to add to your list Malaria as another disease to eradicate as it still affects very many people in Tanzania and around the world," Hon Ndugulile said while officially opening the 94 DCA.

He noted that Rotary brought together volunteers who wanted to do good in their community, who want to commit their time and resources to make a difference and leave a legacy of having played their part to make the world a better place together. He commended them for this noble goal.



He was pleased to note that the Rotary clubs were present all over the country carrying out various projects to serve the communities. Projects to ensure that communities have access to water, sanitation, and hygiene, are free of diseases, saving lives of mothers and children, supporting education and the youth and growing local economies.

"I see a very clear link between the areas that Rotary is working on and our aspirations under vision 2025. I therefore believe that Rotary is an important partner in Tanzania for vision 2025," he said.

"Our doors are open. Feel free to come and let us know how we can support you further in your work," he added.

He thereafter launched the 94DCA coffee book.



**Top:** Hon Fausinte Ndugulile together with Sharmila Bhat, Kishan Dhebar and Muzu Sulemanji launching the D9211 coffee book

**Left:** Hon Faustine Ndugulile making official opening remarks.



# GREAT SPEAKERS

*inspire and motivate 94 DCA delegates*

*By Catherine Njuguna  
RC Dar es Salaam Mikocheni*

*The 94th Rotary District conference and assembly (DCA) brought together world class speakers who motivated and inspired Rotarians with their stories, lessons and tips on how to do better, their mission of doing good in the world. The 31st DCA for Rotaractors was held alongside the event.*

## INNOVATIONS

"A founder is anyone who sees a problem, recognizes his or her potential to do something about it, and takes the necessary steps to create a solution," said the award-winning innovator Jim Marggraff from Rotary Club of Lamorinda Sunrise, who was a keynote speaker on the first day of the 94DCA.

Rotarian Marggraff shared with the delegates his innovation journey and some of his innovations. These include the Livescribe smart pen which, links handwritten notes with audio, and LeapFrog's LeapPad, a talking book that children interact with to help them learn how to read in a way that was fun. LeapPads he said were used by over 100 million children worldwide.

He also invented Odyssey Atlasphere, a talking globe that



children interacted with to learn about countries of the world, and eyefluence, wearable interactive sunglasses. And he was the brain behind the virtual reality experience, One Small Act, at the rotary international convention in Atlanta.

He shared tips for being innovative including identifying a problem and being bold in pursuit of a solution. He added that one trait of inventors is that the word 'cannot' was not in their vocabulary.

## BRANDING ROTARY TIPS FROM THE BRANDING QUEEN OF AFRICA!



Fatima Alimohamed, also known as the branding queen of Africa gave tips on how Rotary can better brand itself. She noted from what she had heard so far at the conference she was impressed with the work of Rotary. Unfortunately, she noted she knew very little about Rotary before and challenged the delegates to strengthen branding.

"Rotary needs to tell its stories. What it does and what it stands for. Telling our stories is branding," she said.

She added that Rotary should strive to unify its brand and ensure there was a relationship between the brands and the actions.

"The brand must walk the talk," she said.

## ROTARY IS A FIRM PARTNER FOR TANZANIA'S VISION 2025

The event was officially opened by the Hon Dr Faustine Ndugulile, Deputy Minister of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children, who termed the work of rotary as very important for Tanzania's development efforts. He said he saw Rotary as a very important development partner for Tanzania and therefore assured the delegates that the government's doors are open to all Rotarians.



*Hon Faustine Ndugulile, the chief guest representing the Vice President*

## THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

"Rotary allow us to be part of something greater than ourselves," said Dean Rohrs, from Rotary Club of Langley Central, Canada and the Rotary International President Representative at the 94DCA and Rotary International Vice-President 2017-2018. She said Rotary unites people from all walk of life to change lives and be the inspiration.

"The magic of Rotary is it allows ordinary people to accomplish extraordinary things," she said as she reminded Rotarians on the importance of supporting the Rotary Foundation. "No single Rotarian should be part of Rotary Club and not give to the Foundation. We have achieved what we have because of the Rotary Foundation" Rohrs said.



*RIPR Dean Rohrs*

Other speakers at the event included Rotarian Mtui who had a world record for climbing Mt Kilimanjaro in 9 hours and of-course District team including past district governors and chairs of various committees.



*Rotarian Simon Mtui on his record-breaking climb of Mt. Kilimanjaro*



# FABULOUS ENTERTAINMENT

*thrills all at the 94DCA!*

*One of the aim of the District Conference and Assemblies is to create opportunities for Rotarians in the District to have fun, fellowship together and to bond. The 94th DCA did not disappoint in this area with a sumptuous entertainment program for the evenings. The highlight of the evening programs was an elegant and sophisticated affair, the crystal ball night where Rotarians, Rotaractors, friends and family, dressed in their finest to usher in the new district leadership.*

## HANDING OVER OF CHAINS

During this great night, the District Governor, Sharmilla Bhatt, handed over the chain of command to the District Governor Elect Francis Xavier Sentamu. This was presided over by the senior most Rotarian in the event, former Rotary International Vice President and Rotary International President Representative, Dean Rohrs and Past District Governor, Harish Bhatt. The Rotary Club of Kiwatule, escorted their honorable member who had done them proud in an energetic Ugandan dance.

In the same event, DGE Francis Xavier Sentamu handed over his pin to DGN Rotarian Rosette Nabbumba who will take over as the DG in the year 2020/21 and she in turn handed her pin to Rotarian John Magezi who

was announced as the District Governor Nominee.

Along the same vein, the District Rotaract Representative, Augustine Mwombeki, handed over his chain to the District Rotaract Representative Elect (DRRE) Jakob Sendawula Kiwanuka. Like the Rotary leadership, DRRE passed on his pin to the DRRN Rotaractor Edmund Elifather who will succeed him as DRR in the year 2020/21.

During the event, DG Sharmila also announced the Rotary, Rotaract and Interact clubs of the years in the district which went to the RC – Dar es Salaam - Oysterbay, Bweyogerere-Nambole and St Kizito respectively

The entertainment of the evening, all the way from southern Africa, was led by the Soweto String Quartet with their classy jazzy music.



*The Soweto String Quarter entertain guests; A cross section of the audience following the evening program.*





*DGE Francis hands over pin to DGN Rosette*



*DGN Rosette hands over pin to DGND John Magezi*



*DG Sharmila hands over chain to DGE Xavier*



*RIPR Dean putting the chain on DGN Francis*



*DGE Xavier's acceptance speech*



*DGE's RC Kivatule dancing in joy*



*DRRE Jacob hands over pin to DRRN Edmund*



*DRR Mwombeki hands chain to DRRE Jacob*



*DRE Jacob's acceptance speech*



*DG Sharmila and host President welcome Rotarians to Dar es Salaam*



*DG Sharmila and DSE Ronald open the Mela Night*



*Host President Mili Rughani, RC Dar es Salaam welcomes Rotarians.*

## MELA NIGHT

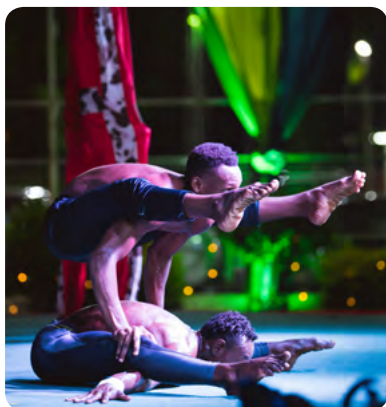
The 94DCA kicked off with the Mela night organized by the DG's club, the Rotary Club of Dar es Salaam. While addressing participants, DG Sharmila Bhatt, said Mela night was usually a religious celebratory gathering. She added the aim of the 94DCA mela night was to celebrate Rotarians from the District 9211 for their hard work throughout the year. She also officially welcomed them to the event.



*Entertainment by Rotary Club of Dar es Salaam*



*Rotarians watching the entertainment by Rotary Club of Dar es Salaam*



*Acrobatic shows by professionals*



*Rotarians enjoying the day*



*Rotarians enjoying the day*



## COWBOYS AND COW GIRLS INVADE DAR ES SALAAM

The second evening saw the Rotarians all decked out in cowboy hats and boots, and flannel shirts and jeans for the cowboy and cowgirl night. The event had performances from women Rotarians from Dar es Salaam and a group of professional dancers from Dar es Salaam.

Another fun evening was the was glittery, shiny affair dubbed Disco night. The highlight of the event was a performance by all the Past District Governors after a short practice of a dance choreographed by the event's Masters of Ceremony from the Rotary Club of Oysterbay, Past President Thomas Scherer and Aisha Sykes.

During the conference, there were entertainment during the program. And the Rotaractors had their own beach party in one of the nights.



*Rotarians have fun in a cowboy moment*



*Entertainment by Rotary women in Dar es Salaam*



*Rotarians have fun in a cowboy/cow-girl-themed outfit*



*Tanzanian star performer, Msami entertains Rotarians at the disco night*



*Thomas and Aysha, the MC's of the disco night*



*Past PDGs dance at the glittery disco night*

# OYSTERBAY, BWEYOGERERE-NAMBOLE AND ST KIZITO

## scoop awards for D9211 clubs of the year



*DG Sharmilla Bhatt declared the Rotary club of Dar es salaam – Oyster bay, in Tanzania and the Rotaract club Bweyogerere Nambole and interact clubs of St Kizito, both from Uganda, as the 2018/19 clubs of the year. The DG made the announcements during the during the 94DCA crystal ball night as she gave the excited members of these clubs their trophies.*

Dar es salaam - Oysterbay club was noted for its community service projects, creative fundraising events and for making history by chartering three clubs in one night and establishing the first e club in Tanzania.

Rotaract club of Bweyogerere-Nambole sponsored by the similarly named Rotary club in Uganda, impressed the DG most with its variety of community service projects including running a medical camp and supporting Interact clubs in the district.

The interact club of St Kizito high school sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kampala Ssese Islands, too impressed the DG with its various community service projects. These include Agriculture, fish farming, mushroom growing, waste management and making energy saving briskets

### HALL OF FAME FOR 2018/2019

#### Clubs of the year

- Rotary – Dar es Salaam-Oysterbay
- Rotarct – Bweyogerere - Nambole
- Interact – St Kizito high school

#### Project awards

Best club project (club with projects or RCC that addresses the highest number of the 6 areas of Rotary focus) – RC Mwika (Tanzania) and RC Ssese island (Uganda)

Club with most innovative project-

#### Membership awards

- Membership extension – RC DSM Oysterbay
- Membership trophy (growth and retention of members)- RC Kampala South

- Diversity in membership – RC DSM-Oysterbay
- Member gender balance ratio - RC Kampala Central
- DCA attendance- RC DSM-Oysterbay (Tanzania) RC Kiwatule (Uganda)

Rotary Foundation Award– RC Muyenga

Best Fundraising event – RC Oysterbay (cricket tournament and RC Kiwatule (Rotary 5-A-Side)

Family of Rotary award (highest number of home hospitality)- RC Kampala South

The awards were done based on clubs who applied for the awards by a panel of three senior Rtns PDG Jayesh, CC Anne and AG Robinnah.





*Rotary Club of Dar es Salaam Oysterbay took home numerous awards, including Rotary Club of the year*



*RC Kivatule with 60 attendants took home best conference attendance award*



*Rotary Club of Mvika of Tanzania took home the best club project*



*Rotaract Club of Bweyegorere-Namboole took the Rotaract Club of the year with 4 projects, covering 6 areas of focus*



*The Interact club of St. Kizito, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kampala Ssese Islands took home the Interact Club of the Year.*



*The Rotary Club of Muyenga took home the Rotary Foundation award*





*Panel discussions on women who inspire, moderated by Hamza Kassongo*



*DG Sharmila poses with Odeon, who travelled from Kampala to DCA in Dar es Salaam on a motor-bike*



*DG Sharmila announcing DGND John Magezi*



*Panel discussions on membership, moderated by PDG Stephen Mwanje*



*Panel discussions on youth, moderated by DYSVC Joe Nuwamanya*



*Ibra Bagalana receives recognition for winning the photography competition*



## DISTRICT ROUNDUP

# STEPPING IN THE SHOES of Rotary International President

By PDG Robert Nsibirwa

This year I was requested by Rotary International President Barry Rassin to represent him at the District Conference for Rotary District 9125 in Jos City, Plateau State Nigeria. The conference was opened by His Excellency the Executive Governor of Plateau State in Jos, Rtn. Simon Bako. And was attended by over 1,000 delegates. I also paid courtesy call on His Royal Majesty Gbong Gwom Jos and thanked him for supporting Rotary's Polio Immunization drive in his Kingdom

Later in the evening I was hosted to a dinner with other Rotary leaders by the powerful but humble Executive Governor of Plateau State His Excellency Hon. Barr. Simon Bako Lalong at the Government House. The State Governor is a Rotarian and Major Donor and so is the Speaker of the Assembly. I thanked him for his government support to Rotary in Plateau. His government has given Rotary Peace Center in Jos over 5 acres of land to develop for various Rotary Projects.



*PDG Bob addressing the DCA in Jos City, Nigeria*



*PDG Bob with Executive Governor of Plateau state- Rtn Bako on the right- addressing the DCA delegates of D9125 in Jos City*



*PDG Kenneth Mugisha and his spouse were Rotary International President Representatives for District 9110 at Abeokuta, Ogun State in Nigeria*



# ROTARY & UCU PARTNER

*to address high unemployment among youth in Uganda.*

*Mbaziira Rogers  
Rotary Vijana Poa  
Secretariat*

Rotary Vijana Poa Initiative and Uganda Christian University (UCU) Mukono partnered to set up a youth center known as Rotary UCU Vijana Poa Entrepreneurship Centre which offers a practical course in Enterprise Development and Mindset Change. This is a practical intervention to empower the youth to become innovative and entrepreneurial through mindset change, skilling, and training - for sustainable community development.

Recently, the first graduation ceremony of the first cohort of youth who completed a certificate course under the Rotary Uganda Christian University (UCU) Vijana Poa Programme took place at the end of March. The function was presided witnessed by PDG Robert Nsibirwa and the Vice Chancellor - Dr. Ssenyonyi, Dean of Social Science - Dr. Mary Ssonko and faculty members of the Uganda Christian University (UCU).

The youth had undergone a 12 weeks training.

"It's a very Good Course and I am going to tell people about

it. Olivia Nanteza's who is on internship at Colline Hotel Mukono, one of the graduates.

"Many co-workers her age can't even do half the things she does! Ms. Flavia Kasozi, Manager Colline Hotel, Mukono said of Olivia.

This course is open to all youth with or without any education level under the following categories of youth, (1) Youth without business idea. (2) Youth with business ideas to bring into existence. (3) Youth with businesses and they need to scale up

The next intake is starting on the 4th May, 2019.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAMME:

Uganda is the second youngest nation on the African continent with an average age of 15.5 years. Yet it is not lack of opportunity, or just lack of jobs (also a major challenge), but blindness to opportunity, a focus on white collar jobs produced by the education systems, and near absence of high level competence in artisan work.

In light of the above Rotary started and initiative called The Rotary Vijana Poa ("Youth are Cool") initiative, which has been piloted throughout Rotary District 9211 [Uganda and Tanzania] This initiative looks at the non-educated youth and those who drop out of school for various reasons. It supports them to generate "commonsense" enterprises in communities and in the real world where their skills will be honed by situations that cannot be replicated in an educationally sterile environment. For the graduates that are hard to employ the initiative provides school-to-work transition starting with mind-set change, re-skilling as needed, and re-focusing to "commonsense" enterprises, and/or work-based programs (internship and apprenticeship placements).

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# GIVING TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

*has no limits and time*



*By PAG Richard Were  
Vice Chair- D9211 TRF  
fundraising 2018-19  
RC Nansana*

Warm greetings to all of you who have committed to the foundation giving. Our giving is the core foundation of the Rotary Foundation and will always determine its strength and existence.

We joined Rotary to serve humanity and can therefore not ignore that vehicle (The Rotary Foundation) that enables us to move through communities providing that service. It's this vehicle that gives value to the existence of our clubs and makes it possible for Rotary clubs to transform lives around the globe.

We therefore need to give The Rotary Foundation that fuel that it transforms into service projects. This fuel can come in three forms: -

- the fuel to run the service projects Annually-Supporting Rotary's Current Work: Annual Fund & SHARE
- The fuel reserved as bumper for future use-Supporting Rotary's Future Work: Endowment Fund
- The fuel for the general agreed-on commitment-Polio eradication fund

The power and strength of Rotary is in the numbers of members and friends of the organization. If these numbers are all committed to contributing a mere litre of fuel to our vehicle (Rotary Foundation) we can transverse and transform more parts of the world, building and empowering communities.

As said by Mother Theresa "it's not how much we give but how much love we put in the giving" With this, I have come to learn that scarcity is just a mindset and its therefore our love for the Foundation is the missing link. Since giving is the core of the Foundation and if implemented by all members and clubs, we can avoid 2 scenarios: - (1 ) of having non-donor Rotarians in our clubs statistics annually and (2) avoid having Zero giving clubs in District 9211

Our District target this year is USD 650,000 and with participation of all 4,200 members this would calculate to USD 154 per member or well calculated as USD 13 per member every month. ( the equivalent Ugx 50,000 per month/ one swallowship per

month for the Foundation. AND If we fail this let's use the same calculation for minimum USD 26.5 per member for EREY. With love and commitment, I highly doubt a Rotarian cannot afford raising USD 3 per month Or UGX 12,000 a month

## D9211 TRF GIVING STATISTICS

- Total giving todate: - usd 364,064
- Zero giving clubs to annual fund: - 50
- Clubs giving zero to polio: - 94
- Participating rotarians: - 1,205
- Non-giving rotarians: - 2,905

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# Updates from the ROTARY'S COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION



*With PDG Robert Nsibirwa  
representing District 9211*

### ROTARY DUES TO INCREASE BY A DOLLAR

The Council has approved a dues increase of \$1 a year beginning with the 2020-21 year for each of three years. The board described the increase as a modest amount needed to keep the organization operating at a small deficit.

The Board would seek to close that deficit with further efforts to reduce expenses. These include a further review of business processes and procedures, moving work to low cost jurisdictions, implementing a revised financial system, and pursuing changes in RI's charitable status.

With the increase, dues clubs pay to RI per member will increase to \$34 a half year in 2019-20 (as established by the 2016 Council) \$34.50 per half year in 2020-21, \$35 per half year in 2021-22, and \$35.50 per half year in 2022-23 until modified by future councils.

### NO CLUB PRESIDENT FOR LIFE

Imagine you were chosen president of your small club, but after your term, no one steps up to take over. A year goes by, then two, then three, and your club requires you stay in command. A proposal put forward by the Rotary Club of Béthune-Artois, France, would prevent that. Approved by the Council 279-225, the measure specifies that a president's term shall only be extended by one year if no one comes forward to take over.

### COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION 2019

Every three years Rotary's Council on Legislation meets in Evanston, Illinois to discuss, debate and decide on issues raised by Every three years Rotary's Council on Legislation meets in Evanston, Illinois to discuss, debate and decide on issues raised by Rotarians in the form of Proposed Legislation. Every District is represented on the Council, which met in April 2019, and our District was represented by PDG Bob Nsibirwa.

### ROTARACT WELCOMED TO RI

Rotaract clubs will now be considered a part of Rotary International, as opposed to a program of RI, following a vote by the Council.

The Rotary's Council on Legislation acknowledged Rotaract clubs in the Rotary International Constitution and Bylaws and elevated them as an important member of the Rotary family. Rotaract clubs will continue to have their own standard constitution but will receive greater support from RI.

"We need to be an inspiration to our young partners, so they will continue doing the great service that they do," said RI President Barry Rassin, who presented the measure. "This sends a strong message that they are truly our partners in service."

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# SUSHIL GUPTA RESIGNS

## *as RI President-Nominee*



My Fellow Rotarians,

It is with a heavy heart that I announce my resignation as the president-nominee of Rotary International. While it was my dream to serve as your president, my health prevents me from giving my absolute best to you and the office of the president at this time. I believe Rotary deserves nothing less than that from those elected to represent this great organization of ours.

I have made this difficult decision after much soul searching and conferring with my family. This is not only a disappointment for us, but I am also keenly aware that this will be a disappointment for many Rotarians in India who were so proud to see someone from our country again named as president. I know that this is what is best for Rotary International.

I have been a Rotarian for more than 40 years and it has given me everything I could ask for. I can think of no higher honor than to have been selected by the Nominating Committee as president of Rotary for the 2020-21 Rotary year. I will continue to proudly serve as a Rotary member and pursue some major initiatives that I wanted to accomplish during my year as president, because I know that we are poised to achieve more great things in the future.

I wish nothing but the best to the candidate who succeeds me as president and thank you all for the support and encouragement you have shown me in the past year.

- Sushil Gupta

<https://my.rotary.org/en/sushil-gupta-resigns-ri-president-nominee>

# UPCOMING EVENTS



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 **BE THE INSPIRATION**

*Sunday*  
**JUNE 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**COCKTAIL RECEPTION**  
*with partners*

Hosted by: D9211 D1920 D1910

18:30  
- Midnight

Hafen-Klub Hamburg  
Bei den St. Pauli-Landungsbrücken 3

€80/  
person

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