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Rotary Awareness Month

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Upcoming Events

April 19–21, 2012
87th District Conf.
Nairobi, Kenya

May 6-9, 2012
Rotary Int. Convention
Bangkok, Thailand

Don't Forget!!

- November 2011 Attendance statistics due by January 15th 2012

Message from the DG

Raising Rotary Awareness



My dear fellow Rotarians and friends

Happy New Year!

As we begin 2012, I want to take this early opportunity to wish you all a great year where, among other things, your Rotary dreams will be fulfilled.

January is Rotary Awareness Month. What will we do to create Rotary awareness? Will this January be different from the many we have had as Rotarians or will we let it pass as well?

On my part I wish to enquire into the question – What is Rotary? For many of you who have heard me speak before, you have heard me say severally that many of us do not have a working definition of what Rotary is. Ordinarily many of us will respond to the question by saying “We meet at XYZ place...so and so is our President and even so and so is a member”. Would you wish to join Rotary if anyone defined it this way? Definitely not! I appeal to you that in order to create Rotary awareness you must be able to have your own working definition that aligns to how Rotary International defines Rotary- A volunteer organization of business and Professional persons” Like I

have said before, our Rotary lapel pin is the beginning of creating awareness as more often than not friends and acquaintances will ask you what the pin is and there you will begin to create awareness for Rotary. As a rule, I will never go out without my lapel pin. When we induct members we tell them “wear it with pride always...” Do you always wear your Rotary lapel pin? If not, please make it a resolution this year.

In creating awareness for Rotary, I also feel that, we have over-emphasized the service aspect of Rotary and forgotten that many Rotarians and many other people do much more service outside Rotary. As Rotarians we have been shy at speaking about the “unsolicited” personal benefits of being a Rotarian that I have so often talked about.

Rotary makes you an international citizen. You become a “member” to nearly 34,000 clubs in over 200 countries. I have traveled half the world courtesy of Rotary. International conventions are a delight of every Rotarian. Like I have said before, attending a District Conference and/or the RI Convention once is, to my mind equivalent to many years of our weekly attendances to Rotary meetings.

Rotary allows you to network at local and international level. Today, my largest network of friends is in Rotary. I have secured unsolicited personal

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Spread the Word About Rotary this Month

Spread the word about Rotary in January! At your next club assembly, keep members informed so they can raise awareness about Rotary in the community. Also consider these strategies:

- Share [Rotary International's Strategic Plan](#) at a new member orientation.
- Update members on [Rotary's US\\$200 Million Challenge](#) at your next weekly meeting.
- Include news from RI on your club and district website so local members are aware of how Rotarians around the world are serving their communities.
- Publicize Rotary club events to the community. Consider conducting a public relations training session.

Get Free Rotary Videos on iTunes

Rotary International News—12Dec11

How many times has a colleague, friend, or new contact asked you what Rotary is? If you have an iPhone or iPad, you can now respond by showing a one-minute video that explains Rotary in the words of everyday Rotarians.

Rotary Minute is a series of videos featuring Rotary club members from around the world discussing a variety of topics, such as “How have you benefited from being a Rotarian?” In addition to being available on Vimeo, Rotary Minute is now offered through a [free podcast subscription on iTunes](#).

View the podcasts on the Apple iPhone or iPad, or on a PC or Mac that has iTunes installed. Just visit the iTunes store and search for “Rotary Minute” to find and download episodes.

Also share the videos with your fellow Rotarians by using them in presentations during club or district meetings.

DC Message . . . continued

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gains through these networks. I have friends throughout the world through Rotary. I have visited places I never dreamt of like Bahamas, Taiwan, etc., courtesy of my Rotary networks. We have hosted Rotary friends from overseas that have changed not just my own life but that of my family for the better.

Rotary to me is a university where one can gain an education and knowledge at no cost. In my years in Rotary I tell people that I have earned PHD's, doctorates and bachelor degrees that no formal university could have given me. As I listen to guest speakers at my weekly Rotary meetings or at international meetings, this has added not just to my world-view, but to my general

knowledge that has contributed immensely to my understanding and exposure. This has had immense benefit to my personal, family, business and professional life.

Above all else, Rotary enhances your feel for the community and hence your service orientation. Service, like I have alluded to on many occasions gives you moral authority that far outweighs any form of formal authority. Many people know me and my wife Margaret for the many things we do in Rotary but nothing beats the moral signature of our work in Palmhouse Foundation (www.palmhsefoundation.org) – an education trust that finances the secondary education of deserving and needy students through high school. Were it not for our Rotary involvement, I doubt we would have

set up this organization which has become a trailblazer in Kenya and for which the President of the Republic of Kenya recently awarded us Moran of the Burning Spear (MBS) recognition. We owe much of this to Rotary. Rotary teaches service above self.

Fellow Rotarians and friends, create awareness of Rotary by telling prospective Rotarians that there are “unsolicited” gains of being “a good Rotarian” that in my view far outweigh anything you can do in and for Rotary.

Have a great year 2012!

Eric Kimani
District Governor D 9200
January 2012.

Did You Know?

Rotary Quiz

Take this quiz and gauge your level of Rotary knowledge. (The 4 Way Test applies - try to answer the question without referring to any Rotary materials.)

1. What is the official Rotary International theme for 2010-11?
2. Who is the RI president for 2010-11?
3. Who is the current RI president-elect?
4. In what year did Paul P. Harris launch the first Rotary club?
5. In what city?
6. Who were the other three original Rotarians?
7. In what city was the second Rotary club chartered?
8. What is the approximate worldwide membership of Rotary? a) 600,000 b) 900,000 c) 1,200,000 d) 1,500,000
9. What is the approximate number of Rotary clubs worldwide? a) 14,000 b) 26,000 c) 34,000 d) 45,000
10. What are the four Avenues of Service?
11. What is PolioPlus and when was it launched?
12. How many countries are represented in Rotary International?
13. How does one earn Paul Harris Fellow Recognition?
14. What is the official magazine of Rotary International?
15. Who is the magazine's editor in chief?
16. How often does the RI Council on Legislation meet?
17. Where will the 2014 RI Convention be held?
18. When is Literacy Month?
19. Where was the first non-U.S. Rotary club chartered?
20. What is Interact?
21. What is Rotaract?
22. What is Youth Exchange?
23. What is RYLA?
24. Where is the World Headquarters of Rotary International?
25. How many zones does Rotary International have?
26. True or false: To become a district governor, a Rotarian must first serve as a club president.
27. The Bylaws of Rotary International require club members to attend what percentage of their club's meetings?
28. What's the name of the annual publication that lists the names, chief officers, and meeting times and places of Rotary clubs?
29. What is the name of Rotary's first cyber club?
30. When is World Understanding Month?
31. Who proposed the idea that led to the establishment of The Rotary Foundation of RI?
32. What was the first Foundation-funded Rotary program? In what year was it established?
33. How much money has The Rotary Foundation provided in humanitarian and educational grants since its inception?
34. Who is the 2011-12 chairman of The Rotary Foundation Trustees?
35. What are the official Rotary colors?
36. The gearwheel symbol of Rotary International is a trademark recognized around the world. When was it created?
37. Name the eight university partners that host the seven Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution.
38. What is the Permanent Fund of The Rotary Foundation of RI?
39. What is the SHARE system?
40. What can District Designated Fund (DDF) allocations be used for?
41. Name the four countries considered polio endemic, as of January 2010.
42. How much does it cost to immunize one child against polio?
43. What does the acronym NID stand for?
44. Which Rotary club has the most members?
45. List the tenets of The Four-Way Test.
46. Rotarians with shared recreational, vocational, and health/medical-related interests have formed more than 75 groups. What are these groups called?
47. When is Rotary Foundation Month?
48. How does one become a Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member?
49. When is Family Month?
50. What does the acronym RCC stand for?

The first person to forward the correct answers to DGNewsletter9200@gmail.com will win a prize!

RI President's Monthly Message—January 2012

Source : Rotary International



My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary,

At Arlington National Cemetery outside Washington, D.C., stands a memorial to the Seabees, formally

known as the U.S. Naval Construction Force. An inscription reads, "With willing hearts and skillful hands, the difficult we do at once; the impossible takes a bit longer."

In Rotary, we already have our own mottoes. If we didn't, I might be given to nominate those two lines. The power of combined effort, as Paul Harris once wrote, knows no limitation. When we work together, the impossible becomes possible.

I thought of this when I read, a few months ago, an article in the New England Journal of Medicine, the premier medical journal in

the United States. Titled "The Polio Endgame," it outlined a strategy for a post-polio era, including managing post-eradication risks.

Thirty years ago, such an article could never have been published. Today, it is a testament to the power of dedication, of persistence, and of combined effort. The impossible has, indeed, become possible. A post-polio world, once the stuff of dreams, will soon be here.

My friends, the day that polio will be eradicated is close at hand. We have to be ready for it with a powerful Rotary – a Rotary of enthusiasm and confidence, of bold vision and clear ambitions. It is time for us to prepare by taking an honest look at our clubs. Are our projects meaningful, sustainable, and relevant? Are our meetings productive and enjoyable? Are our clubs welcoming to new members, and are our schedules and

events friendly to young families? And once people join us, do we welcome them properly, involve them enough? Do we make them a part of the family of Rotary quickly enough?

The figures tell us that while enough new individuals join Rotary every year and everywhere, too many exit Rotary, on an ongoing basis. What unfulfilled hope do they leave with? What expectations are we not meeting? Can we do more and better?

Now is the time to focus our energies on our clubs, and on the way people see them. It is time to show our communities that the Rotary of today is not the Rotary of their preconceptions. Rotary is a way to connect, to do more, to be more – it is a way to take our idealism and our vision, and turn them into reality.

"With willing hearts and skillful hands, the difficult we do at once; the impossible takes a bit longer."

Kalyan Banerjee
President, Rotary International

Posted to RI Website on December-27-11:

Rotary's Relief Efforts in the Philippine Disaster

By Ron Nethercutt, District Rotary Information Chair, RC Mabalacat D 3790

This is a story about the work being done by Rotarians in assisting those in the tragedy of tropical storm Sendong. There has been a wonderful joint effort by Rotarians, ShelterBox, and the Philippine Air Force in bringing aid to those in need.

Here first is a story from PP Abner Tyco written on Christmas Eve. Abs is also one of three certified ShelterBox Response Team members in the Philippines.

The first shipment of 80 Shelterboxes has landed in CdO yesterday and delivered to Iligan City and temporary stored in the clubhouse of RC Iligan North. Another wave of shipment is waiting for the devastated province after Christmas. The city government has ordered by Jan 3 that all evacuation sites in schools have to be vacated in time for the opening of classes. That is where the dilemma lies, with about almost 14,000 families affected, 8 barangays (communities) has been declared unsafe for them to go back, the city will close down said areas in January.

Groceries and supermarket, small or big has stopped its bulk sales, they could no longer sustain the purchases for relief operations. All commerce is headed there to augment its supply that coincides the spending season for the holidays. Aid

agencies are getting their supplies in other provinces like that of Cebu, Davao or Cotabato. Half of the city has no water. In areas that have been devastated, you can smell



the stench of death, it's a hair raising experience. One gym is serving to house 1867 families or 4375 heads, with 4 toilets to use and very little water. The situation is unimaginable, after the loss, sufferings in the evacuation sites looms. You cannot even walk in between without stepping on someone's sleeping mat, if lucky enough to have one, or cardboard to sleep on.

Life is hard for this people during this holiday. Please pray for them to ease the inhumane suffering, it's really a heart breaking experience seeing those people.

Abs Tayco ShelterBox Response Team

(Cagayan de Oro City)

With over 1,000 people dead, another 1,000 missing, and over 280,000 displaced by the late-season tropical storm, Philippines President Benigno Aquino has declared a national calamity.

'The assistance we have had from Rotary has been invaluable here,' said PDG Jess Nicdao, Chairman and Founder of ShelterBox Philippines. 'It is possible for PP Abs, PP Jose, and I to set up the tents ourselves, but it would have been a much slower process. Now that we have shown area Rotarians how to do it, they will be able to help us set up camps rapidly. This will allow families who have lost everything to soon

begin to rebuild their lives, offering them shelter, warmth and dignity - assets everyone should have so close to Christmas.'

ShelterBox was founded by Tom Henderson OBE, a Rotarian and former Royal Navy search and rescue diver. He saw that the aid response to most disasters was in the form of food and medicine to help people survive the immediate aftermath. However little or no assistance was given in terms of proper shelter to help them through the first few days, weeks and months as they tried to rebuild their lives. ShelterBox was launched to fill that void.

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DG Eric Kimani's Club Visit Itinerary— January 2012

Date	Morning 10am to 2pm	Afternoon 4pm to 6pm	Evening 6pm to 8pm
01-Jan-12			
02-Jan-12			
03-Jan-12			
04-Jan-12			
05-Jan-12			
06-Jan-12			
07-Jan-12			
08-Jan-12			
09-Jan-12			
10-Jan-12			
11-Jan-12			
12-Jan-12			
13-Jan-12			
14-Jan-12	Conf. Comm/ Jems D - Day	Jems D - Day	Jems D - Day
15-Jan-12			Fly to Dar
16-Jan-12	Fly to Dodoma - Board - RC of Do- doma	Fly to Iringa - Board - RC Iringa	Fly to Mbeya
17-Jan-12	Club - RC Mbeya		Club - RC of Mbeya Green Forest
18-Jan-12	Fly to Sumbawanga -Club - RC Sum- bawanga	Fly to Songea - Club - RC Songea	Fly to Dar
19-Jan-12			
20-Jan-12			
21-Jan-12	PF Selection		
22-Jan-12			Fly to Arusha
23-Jan-12	Board - RC Arusha Golden Rise	Board - RC Arusha Mt Meru	Board - RC Arusha
24-Jan-12	Board - RC Usa River	Board - RC Tengeru	Board - RC Monduli
25-Jan-12	Drive to Babati	Board - RC Babati	Drive back to Arusha
26-Jan-12	Drive to Longindo	Board - RC Longodo	Drive back to Arusha
27-Jan-12	Fly to Mwanza	Board - RC Mwanza	Board - RC Lake Victoria
28-Jan-12	Travel to Nansio		Board - RC Ukerewe
29-Jan-12		Travel to Mwanza	
30-Jan-12	Family Retreat/ PF Send Off		
31-Jan-12	Family Retreat/ PF Send Off		

Key

	Rotary Events
	Personal Events

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Philippine Disaster . . . continued

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In 2005 they sent out more than 22,000 boxes, almost 10 times the number sent out the previous three years. Not only did they send aid to victims of the Tsunami, but also able to help those who had lost their homes in Hurricane Katrina in the USA and the massive earthquake that hit the Kashmir region of Pakistan.

Henderson said, "We have continued to build on our Tsunami experience, helping as many people as we can, and as quickly as we can when disaster strikes. ShelterBox has now worked on every continent, responding to earthquakes, tsunamis, floods, typhoons, hurricanes, volcanoes and

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From the Secretariat

Key Events for the Month of January:

- Mombasa Intercity Rotary Conference 17th Dec. 2011
- **Due 15th January:** Monthly attendance Reports to the District Attendance Chair— send to: muriukinjagagua@yahoo.com and distristsecretary9200@gmail.com
- **Due 31st Dec.:** The last day for Rotary clubs to report incoming officers 2012-13 to RI is 31st December 2011. Your club must submit this information online via member's access—please do so immediately if you have not already
- 7th club board meetings and
- 7th meeting of each committee
- **Due 15th Jan.:** Club Presidents, Assistant Governors and District Chairs are requested to send in their half year Reports not later than 15th January 2012. Please use the template provided by the Secretariat.

The 2012 *Rotarian* Photo Contest is Open (an Opportunity to Make Your District Proud)

Rotary International News -- 1 December 2011

Do you have a great shot from a fundraiser, international project, the RI Convention, or a local club event?

The Rotarian's 2012 photo contest is now underway. Enter up to three photos that illustrate the spirit of Rotary. The best photos will appear in the June 2012 issue of the magazine.

Read our [interview with award-winning photographer Art Wolfe](#) in the June 2011 issue for advice on taking great images.

The contest ends on 29 February 2012. Photographs received prior to or after the contest period are void.

PRIZES: One (1) Grand Prize: digital camera (retail value approximately US\$300). Honorable Mention photographs: photos will appear in the *The Rotarian* magazine and other Sponsor publications.



Aamir Ali Choudhry, a member of the Rotary Club of Faisalabad Janubi, Pakistan, was one of the winners of The Rotarian's 2011 contest with this atmospheric image shot in Faisalabad.

October District Attendance Report

SR. No.	Club Name	Start ing No.	+ve Gro wth	-ve Gro wth	End- ing No.	Ave. Att.	%
ETHIOPIA							
1	Addis Ababa - West	43	5	0	48	26	55%
2	Finot	17	0	0	17	14	80%
KENYA							
1	Mombasa	41	0	0	41	19	65%
2	Mombasa - Bahari	31	0	0	31	22	88%
3	Mombasa - Central	22	0	0	22	12	55%
4	Mombasa - Diani	23	0	0	23	15	59%
5	Nairobi - Hurlingham	26	0	0	26	15	57%
6	Nairobi - Karen	30	0	0	30	18	57%
7	Nairobi - Karura	26	0	0	26	13	50%
8	Nairobi - Langata	62	3	0	65	42	69%
9	Nairobi - Milimani	17	2	0	19	11	64%
10	Nairobi - Muthaiga	50	0	0	50	25	66%
11	Nairobi - South	22	0	1	21	11	50%
12	Nairobi - Westlands	30	0	0	30	21	66%
13	Nakuru	36	2	0	38	22	61%
TANZANIA							
1	Arusha - Mount Meru	32	0	0	32	17	52%
2	Dar es Salaam	42	3	2	43	20	70%
3	Dar es Salaam - Bahari	42	0	0	42	24	57%
4	Iringa	11	0	3	8	5	66%
5	Morogoro - Central	18	0	0	18	15	80%
6	Morogoro - North	16	0	0	16	4	25%
7	Mwanza	14	0	0	14	6	41%

NOTES:

From all the clubs that have submitted their monthly attendance report there has been a gain of 52 members and a loss of 18 members - fantastic! Once again we humbly request club secretaries to ensure that all club monthly attendance reports are submitted to the District attendance chair by the 15th of the succeeding month.

We look forward to strict compliance in the coming months.

Visit the District 9200 website at:

www.rotary9200.org

and

the District 9200 Facebook page at:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Rotary-District-9200/167575526618484>

SR. No.	Club Name	Start ing No.	+ve Gro wth	-ve Gro wth	End- ing No.	Ave. Att.	%
UGANDA							
1	Bugolobi	24	5	0	29	24	82%
2	Bukoto	29	5	0	34	24	71%
3	Entebbe	31	0	0	31	15	50%
4	Gaba	28	1	0	29	23	79%
5	Ibanda	19	0	0	19	14	76%
6	Jinja	56	5	3	58	55	90%
7	Kabale	25	0	0	25	16	64%
8	Kabarole	15	0	0	15	9	75%
9	Kajjansi	38	0	0	38	28	74%
10	Kalisizo	25	0	0	25	17	70%
11	Kampala	65	0	0	65	39	60%
12	Kampala - Central	32	3	0	35	27	84%
13	Kampala - East	45	0	0	45	27	60%
14	Kampala - Kibuli	29	0	0	29	19	64%
15	Kampala - Kololo	67	0	0	67	45	65%
16	Kampala - Kyambogo	19	3	0	22	17	79%
17	Kampala - Makindye	43	0	0	43	24	55%
18	Kampala - Naguru	18	0	0	18	10	54%
19	Kampala - Nakasero	28	4	3	29	18	63%
20	Kampala - Nateete	25	1	0	26	12	48%
21	Kampala - North	66	0	0	66	58	87%
22	Kampala - South	42	0	4	38	35	80%
23	Kampala - Ssese Islands	56	0	0	56	38	67%
24	Kampala - Sunrise	35	1	0	36	29	83%
25	Kasangati	29	0	0	29	29	92%
26	Kayunga	16	0	0	16	10	64%
27	Kiwatule	46	5	1	50	31	80%
28	Masaka	40	0	0	40	21	53%
29	Mbarara	37	0	0	37	25	68%
30	Mbarara - East	15	0	0	15	11	73%
31	Mityana	15	1	1	15	10	69%
32	Muyenga	104	3	0	107	73	69%
33	Ntinda	34	0	0	34	25	73%
34	Rubaga	32	0	0	32	18	54%
35	Source of the Nile	26	0	0	26	21	80%
36	Tororo	18	0	0	18	9	51%
37	Wobulenzi	16	0	0	16	12	74%
TOTAL		1939	52	18	1973	1295	



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DG Club Visits Pictorial



The women are delighted to have water



The Rotarian with a walking stick is a prince - RC Mubende



The famous two Margaret are the reason behind the success in Uganda...



The RCC by the Rotary club of Kololo is a huge success



Part of the joys of travel...



The DG and the president of the Interact club of Kabale planted trees



We had a great time visiting Western Uganda clubs



The DG and first lady Margaret met the Interact club of Ntugamo in West Uganda



Another great story of work by Rotarians



At the Mombasa Intercity conference with seven presidents and other leaders



The DG has other hobbies too...



A great story from Dar, Tanzania



The DG lays the foundation stone at the Dar es Salaam Muhibiri Hospital - a project of the Dar Rotary clubs



When you go to Rome you do what the Romans do- drink coconut juice in Malindi