



Rotary International - District 9200

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Fellow Rotarians, The installation function of Presidents and the new office bearers gave all of us an opportunity to enjoy the fellowship and strengthen our ties with fellow Rotarians and that made July truly enjoyable. However, the clubs must have by now also debated dreams incorporated in the planning guide of the club and realised that only action will **Make Dreams Real**. One realisation that must be universal to all of us is that Rotary needs more and more Rotarians. **Does not 3200 Rotarians in District 9200 seem too few for the challenges that are there?** How appropriately is then that **August is Membership Growth and Extension Month?** It is time for us to renew our resolution to increase the criti-

DG'S AUGUST MESSAGE

cal mass of Rotarians and help Rotary grow. We need more men and women into Rotary and indeed take Rotary into more men and women. It is bi-directional in the sense that while we need quantity, we also need quality members who can portray the ideals of **Service Above Self** and further the cause of Rotary and **Make Dreams Real**. Now ask these questions to yourself: Have I introduced anyone to Rotary this year? What would have happened if someone had not invited me to join Rotary?

Will you now invite someone (your friend, spouse, children, siblings and colleagues) to join Rotary?

I need not over emphasize the need for Rotary to reach out beyond cities and towns. It is a

challenge but are not we as Rotarians prepared to take such challenges. Our relevance is directly linked with how we relate to need of the time and therefore, I urge the Rotary Extension Officers to make an extra effort to extend Rotary beyond towns and cities.

District 9200 has dreamt of a 10% net growth in its membership and you are the catalyst to its fructification. Shall we not **Make (this) Dream Real** together?

Geeta joins me in wishing you all a very successful Membership Growth initiative. The dreams live on!

Sincerely yours,
Kaushik Manek
District Governor—D9200

CONGRATULATIONS

50 years Anniversary:

- Rotary Club of Moshi - Tanzania*
- Rotary Club of Arusha - Tanzania*
- Rotary Club of Tanga - Tanzania*

25 years Anniversary:

- Rotary Club of Kabale - Uganda*
- Rotary Club of Kabarole - Uganda*
- Rotary Club of Bahari Mombasa - Kenya*

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Main Feature: **MEMBERSHIP MINUTE** Achieving membership goals in 2008-09

Another Rotary year begins, and with it, your club starts afresh with new membership goals and an innovative plan to achieve them.

Once your club has set its 2008-09 membership goals, you will need to determine how to go about developing an action plan so your goals will be attained. Here are some things to consider:

- Do you have a club membership committee to lead your membership development efforts?
- How will your club membership committee work with the district membership committee?
- Are your goals proactive, yet realistic and attainable?
- How will your club focus on recruiting individuals who will become involved, committed members of your club on a long-term basis?
- Will your club integrate the goals from RI President Dong Kurn Lee's Membership Goals Recognition program or the 2008-09 Presidential Citation into its membership development plan?

RI President Dong Kurn Lee's 2008-09 Membership Goals Recognition program

For Rotary clubs to achieve attain the 2008-09 Presidential Citation, they must achieve a net in-

crease of one member by 31 March, in addition to initiating a local or international service project that reduces child mortality.

RI President Dong Kurn Lee's suggested goal, however, is to achieve a net membership increase of 10 percent. As part of the 2008-09 Membership Goals Recognition program, clubs that achieve the suggested goals will be recognized in one of the following ways:

- Clubs that achieve a minimum of a 10-percent net increase in membership will receive a certificate signed by the 2008-09 RI president.
- Clubs that are among the top ten 10 clubs worldwide with the highest percentage net membership increase will receive a Mont Blanc pen, along with acknowledgment on stage at the 2009 RI Convention.



Recognizing Rotarians with the new member sponsor pin - The Pins are available for purchase through licensed suppliers of Rotary merchandise.

Using district and regional membership human resources - For new ideas or innovative ways to .. *Continued in Pg 2*

IMPORTANT NOTES!

1. Club Secretaries should always submit their attendance reports to the attendance Officer Eddie Odhiambo on: eusonga@yahoo.com and copy to: secretary08@rotary9200.org by the 15th day of the next month.
2. The first outbound GSE team for 2008-09 is set to leave on 16th October 2008. For more information refer to article on page2
3. **PR TIP:** Every Club should have an active Public Relations officer who is in charge of the overall publicity for the club.

GSE PROGRAMS FOR 2008-09

DISTRICT 5160 (North Central California, USA): - Multi vocational - Funded from World Fund
DISTRICT 5340 (San Diego, California, USA):
 - Single Vocation - Teachers
 - Inbound Team funded from District 5340 DDF (District designated fund) & Outbound Team from D9200 funded from Marie Rahima Dawood Fund
DISTRICT 1040 (Yorkshire, England):
 - Multi vocational
 - Inbound Team funded from District 1040 DDF & Outbound Team from Marie Rahima Dawood Fund.
OUTBOUND GSE DATES

DISTRICT	DEPARTURE FROM D9200	RETURN FROM HOST DISTRICT
5160	16TH OCT 2008	24TH NOV 2008
5340	22ND APRIL 2009	23RD MAY 2009
1040	TO BE CONFIRMED	TO BE CONFIRMED

Team Member requirements include: Be between ages of 25 and 40 yrs; Be in their early stages of their careers or professions; Be friendly, jovial nature and honest character; Be able to withstand rigorous demands of international travel; Be able to maintain high standards of behavior; Rotaractors are eligible and are encouraged to apply. **ROTARIANS CAN ONLY APPLY TO BE TEAM LEADERS**

To apply: complete the GSE team member applications and submit them through your local Rotary Club. Detailed information on the GSE opportunities has been circulated to all Clubs and is also available at www.rotary9200.org

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 31st Aug08

MORE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOW INCOME COUNTRIES

The Rotary Foundation has created a special scholarship Fund pool to increase opportunities for students from low income countries.

All Districts located in low income countries (and each low income country within a district) are now eligible to submit applications for an Academic year or Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarship to be funded by the above Scholarships Fund Pool. (NB Multi Academic year scholarships don't apply). This opportunity is available regardless of a District's financial contributions to Rotary Foundation or available DDF as it was the condition before. Each of the 5 countries in our District therefore has the opportunity to apply for one of the 32 scholarships available from the above fund.

DEADLINES

Ambassadorial and Cultural Scholarships - 2009/10. Rotary clubs to identify and select suitable applicants by **May/June 2008**. **Deadline for TRF - 1st Oct. 2008.** **Rotary World Peace Fellowships / Peace and Conflict studies 2008/9.** Rotary clubs to identify and select suitable applicants by **28th Feb. 2008**. **Deadline for TRF - 1st August 2008.**

MORE ON GSE & SCHOLARSHIPS 2008 - 09

For more information on:

Group Study Exchange & Scholarships 2008-09 including requirements, application forms and application procedure kindly visit:

www.rotary9200.org

OR CONTACT

District GSE Chair - Paraag Devani

Email: devani@africaonline.co.ke

District Scholarship Chair - James Tugume

Email: jrtugume@novamarine.co.ug

DG VISITS—1st LEG

DG Kaushik Manek began his official visits to Rotary Clubs early in the early month of July by visiting the Rotary Clubs of Kampala South, Sunrise, Kololo, Kampala West, Portbell, Kampala Ssesse, Kyengera in Uganda. In his second leg he visited the Rotary Clubs of Kabale, Mbarara, Ibanda, Mbarara East, Bushenyi, Rwampara, Kampala East and Ntinda also in Uganda. Later in the month, the DG visited the following Clubs in Nairobi; Utumishi, Nairobi North and Hurlingham and Industrial Area. The DG was impressed with his first month of visits and these set the tempo for his visits in the month of August. He thanks the Country Chairs, Assistant Governors, Club Presidents and Rotarians for their hospitality and exemplary commitment to Rotary and to Make Dreams Real!

Below are some pictures highlighting his visits:



Visit to a day care centre by Kampala South



Induction of a new member into the RC Mengo.



DG posing with Rotarians of RC Kyengera.

From Pg 1.....address specific membership development issues, contact your district membership chair or your regional Rotary International membership coordinator (RRI MC). Their primary role is to train district membership chairs and committees through regional training and other appropriate workshops and seminars, and to communicate the importance of a strong membership base

President Lee invites you to join him at one of 12 presidential membership conferences around the world. These conferences will address membership growth and retention, including workshops on building stronger clubs, inspiring members, and setting goals. Four of the conferences will also include a half-day session on reducing child mortality. Please visit: www.rotarymembership.org

DG VISIT AUGUST SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	CLUB
Aug 4th	Morning	Kasangati
	Afternoon	Kampala North
Aug 5th	Morning	Bweyogerere
	Afternoon	Makindye
Aug 6th	Morning	Kiwatule
	Afternoon	Mukono
Aug 7th	Morning	Mityana
	Afternoon	Bugolobi
Aug 8th	Morning	Entebbe
	Aug 11th	Morning
Afternoon		Arusha Mt Meru
Aug 12th	Morning	Usa River
	Afternoon	Moshi
Aug 13th	Morning	Same PRC
	Afternoon	Tanga
Aug 14th	Morning	
	Afternoon	Fly to Zanzibar
Aug 15th	Morning	Dar es Salaam
	Afternoon	Mikocheni
Aug 18th	Morning	DSM Mzizima
	Afternoon	DSM North
Aug 19th	Morning	Morogoro
	Afternoon	Iringa
Aug 20th	Morning	Mwalimu Nyerere
	Afternoon	
Aug 21st	Morning	DSM Bahari
	Afternoon	Mwanza
Aug 22nd	Morning	Musomo
	Afternoon	Karagwe

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION MONTH

BY RRICM/PDG Sam F. Owori, DM Chairman.
Fellow Rotarians,

Welcome to the new Rotary year 2008/9. July, the first month in the new year has come and gone and I trust that we have all settled down with our new leaders from RI level to Club levels.

August, the second month in the year is here and it is now time for action. It is not by accident that August is the Membership and Extension month. It is because MEMBERSHIP IS EVERYTHING in Rotary.

The success of Rotary and its programmes depends on Membership. For Rotary to have sufficient reach to make meaningful impact on the ethical front calls for Membership. For us to have a critical mass to implement projects and change lives where it matters most, numbers are critical. **At the global level you will agree that 1.2 million Rotarians cannot make the desired impact in a world of over 6 billion people.** International understanding, Goodwill and Peace would be enhanced with higher Rotary diversity in the community.

Contributions to the Rotary Foundation would receive a huge boost if our numbers were double, treble or quadruple the present levels and our capacity to reach out and serve the needy would be correspondingly improved.

The good news is that history, and even the most recent history has proved that growth can be improved steeply either through the retail Member-Get-a-Member method or through the wholesale route of forming new Clubs.

I am appealing to all of us to make RI President DK and our DG Kaushik to look very conservative in their membership growth goals. It is all up to us, you and me. We can do it if we want to.

Just sit down with pen and paper and think. In five minutes you will come up with 10 or more names of people you know very well who are not Rotarians even though they are Rotary materials. If you include others you know casually, the numbers would be much bigger.

Secondly, look at your own Club, check the Classification list and find out why there are so many vacant classifications.

Just by way of illustrations:

- How many Bankers do you have in the club?
- How many Accountants and Auditors do you have in the club?
- How many types of Medical people do you have in the club?
- How many types of Media people do you have in your club?
- How many disciplines of teachers and educationists do you have in the club?
- How many types of Engineers do you have?
- How many Legal specialists do you have?
- How many types of Insurance specialists do you have?
- How about Hotels, Tourism and Hospitality professions?
- What about Community and Social Workers?
- How many business occupations do you have?
- In the business sector, the list is endless.

Diversity is key to Rotary Membership and we benefit by improving our Membership profile in age, gender, colour, creed and classification. Remember we have to recognize and dignify ALL useful occupations.

What are you doing about your Rotaractors or former Rotaractors? This is an important Source of Membership just like the beneficiaries of Rotary projects and Rotary Alumni.

Have you considered your spouses? This has worked wonders in some Districts in Africa.

Doesn't that sound easy? It actually is easy and Member-Get-a-Member can be done if we want. We have the key to the limitation which we impose on ourselves. Just go out and ASK, ASK and ASK.

As for Extension, the MOP instructs us to form a Club wherever it can be reasonably expected that a Club can be sustained.

Your club would be proud to have children and grand children. Look at your town critically. Each town may be able to sustain one breakfast club, one lunch time club and one evening club. Our cities can sustain one breakfast club, one lunch time club and one evening club 5 days a week so as to suit different needs of our members and to enhance fellowship and acquaintance. Breakfast clubs in particular offer a great potential for growth and appeal for young parents and young professionals.

Lets us go out and double our numbers. It can be done and the more the Merrier.

To be effective, a Rotary club needs members.

A GUIDE TO MEMBERSHIP RETENTION

Your club's ability to assist local and international communities, support The Rotary Foundation, and develop leaders capable of serving Rotary beyond the club level is directly related to the strength, size, and involvement of its membership base.

A club membership committee ensures a concerted effort to recruit new members and retain current ones. This ongoing process is essential to supporting Rotary International, which needs a dedicated club membership base to succeed. Rotary International provides membership reports for Rotary club presidents and secretaries through Member Access.

Finding and keeping members

To be effective and relevant to a community, a Rotary club needs members. A club's ability to serve the community is directly related to the strength and size of a club's membership base.

Finding members

It's the responsibility of current Rotary club members to invite other qualified individuals to join Rotary.

Keeping members

Retaining good members is as critical to Rotary's long-term success and health as the induction of new members.

Ideas for integrating a new member into your Rotary club include

- Introducing the new member to other club members each week for the first month
- Inviting the new member to attend meetings of sponsored Interact or Rotaract clubs

- Encouraging the new member to get involved in international programs, such as Group Study Exchange or Rotary Youth Exchange
- Asking the new member and his or her spouse to social activities, dinners, or other special events
- Encouraging the new member and his or her spouse to attend the district conference

Identify

Identify well-qualified members of your community. These individuals should be of strong character and have a commitment to service.

Inform

Inform all prospective members of RI's programs and of the club's service efforts. A recent issue of THE ROTARIAN or a regional Rotary magazine is a good introduction to Rotary.

Invite

Invite a prospective member to become a club member by making a personal visit from the proposer and a member of the club's membership committee.



Pic: DG Kaushik Manek and his spouse Geeta along with some Rotarians of Rotary Langata at the L.A. Convention.

Orient

Orient the prospective new member about your club and RI properly. Highlight the three key components of membership:

- Benefits of membership
- Responsibilities of membership
- Opportunities for service

Induct

Induct new members in a dignified and meaningful manner. A new member should be provided with the following items:

- Rotary lapel pin
- Membership identification card
- Copy of the club bulletin
- District directory
- Latest district governor's monthly letter
- THE ROTARIAN or regional Rotary magazine
- List of local clubs for make-up meetings
- Club name badge
- A history of the club
- A club banner

If possible, invite family members to attend.

Educate

Educate club members so they have enough knowledge to take the initiative and become more active.

Involve

Involve the Rotarian in club committees, club fundraisers, board meetings, club meetings, and club social activities.

LIGHT CORNER:

Breaking News: It has now been confirmed that 3 out of every 4 Rotarians make up 75% of the World/ Rotary Membership! CONGRATULATIONS!

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO DISTRICT 9200



RI President, D K Lee, Sir Andy Chande and DG Kaushik on a visit to Jangwani Girls Sec-

ondary School, Monday, 28 July 2008

It is my sincere pleasure to report that for the 3rd year in row, a current Rotary International President has found it worthy to visit our District. We are hardly a month into the current Rotary year and D K Lee has found it befitting to honour us with his presence.

The RI President D K Lee, who was on his way to South Africa to attend the RI Conference on Membership & Child Mortality, made a stop over in Tanzania on the kind invitation of Past District Governor Sir Andy Chande. The RI President D K Lee and the First lady Young Lee were in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania between 27th and 29th July 2008. The main highlight was a gala dinner in their honour on the night of 28th July.



The Gala Dinner in the honour of the visiting RI president D K Lee & First lady Lee on Monday 28 July, 2008. Kilimanjaro, Kempinski,

Dar Es Salaam.

The Rotary Club of Arusha was recognized as the first 100% PHF Club in our District and a recognition Club banner from the Rotary International presented to them. The Rotary Club of Mikocheni also received its charter certificate during the event.

I would like to sincerely thank the team that was involved in the preparations for the visit led by PDG Amu Shah. My appreciation also goes out to all the Rotarians that were able to attend the function and ensured its success.

I would like to urge all the Rotarian in our District to rise up to the challenge set up by the RI President to address needs of the Children at Risk in our District in order to Make Dreams Real! Kaushik Manek, DG 2008 -09

HUMANITARIAN GRANTS GUIDANCE AND PROCEDURE

This year, we shall Make Dreams Real through the expansion of humanitarian service in our District. To this end, each of the countries (except Eritrea) in our District has a Humanitarian Grants Officer who is a very experienced Rotarian fully conversant with Humanitarian Grants requirements, procedures, and conditions. These are (with email contacts):

- Kenya: Scholl Hans-Jurgen
Email: hans-jurgen.scholl@au-ibar.org
- Ethiopia: Girma Beshah
Email: yeshikeb@ethionet.net
- Tanzania: Massimo Tognetti
Email: max@italframe.com
- Uganda: Vincent B.A Kasangaki
Email: vbakasa@uict.ac.ug

This team is available to guide your clubs about the whats, whys, whens, and hows of Humanitarian Grants. In addition, they will review all grant applications and give clubs guidance for improvement in order to maximize the likelihood of success, after which they will advise you to forward them to me for final review and endorsement on behalf of the District. Financial stewardship is a key element in stewardship: As evidence of proper internal controls in your club, please submit a copy of our audited accounts for 2006/7 to the District Secretary. The Secretary will avail the Humanitarian Grants Team with a copy of clubs that have got such controls, as demonstrated through audited accounts, as a basis for endorsement by the District.

We shall target the following turn-around times: The Country Officers will give feedback to the club within at most 7 days, and I will also work within the same time frame to sign off. This means the maximum time we shall take with any application, once submitted, will be 14 days. Feedback means either advice on improvement of the application, or recommendation (signature in my case) to take the application to the next stage. The DRFC Chair, PDG Varinder, will provide a time-frame for response to DDF requests. Let us Make Dreams Real!

Rtn Tusu, Humanitarian Grants Committee Chair for 2008/9, fftusu@gmail.com

ALL AFRICA BREAKFAST CHALLENGE

It is my pleasure to formally announce details of the 'ALL AFRICA PAUL HARRIS CHALLENGE', first announced at RI Convention in L.A.

The challenge is to raise US\$1 million from the African continent and is mounted to honour the chairmanship of The Rotary Foundation by PRIP Jonathan Majiyagbe.

This has been made possible by the generosity of RRFC V. J. Patel who will personally subsidise each purchase of a PHF by a first time applicant as set out below -

- For contributions from 1 to 5 Rotarians in a club, each PHF will cost only US\$750 instead of US\$1,000
- For contributions from 6 to 10 Rotarians in a club, each PHF will cost only US\$650 instead of US\$1,000
- For contributions from more than 10 Rotarians in a club, each PHF will cost only \$500 instead of US\$1,000

Please note that this offer is only applicable for new Paul Harris Fellows. It is not applicable to Rotarians who are already Paul Harris Fellows or Paul Harris sustaining members.

Important Guidelines:

1. The Clubs should decide in advance number of members who are not currently Paul Harris Fellows wish to become Paul Harris Fellows under this scheme. Each individual Rotarian needs to complete a PHF contribution form.
2. The Club should then collect all forms and the amount of money as per the scheme above and prepare a single bank draft/cheque in US\$ to The Rotary Foundation. Please courier the draft / cheque & forms to:

Sundeep Raichura
District Secretary
Merwest Ltd - Peponi Plaza, Block 3 A
Next to Nakumatt Westgate
At the junction of Peponi Road and Mwanzi Road
Westlands, Nairobi, Kenya
Tel: (254) 20 - 3743321, 3746401

3. **This offer will stop as soon 1,000 PHF subscriptions have been received FROM ALL THE DISTRICTS IN AFRICA. Hurry and take advantage of this very attractive offer.**

Funds collected will go towards Polio Eradication & reduction of child Mortality.
DG Kaushik Manek

SERVICE ABOVE SELF AWARD 2007-08

We are proud to note that Rtn Satyavrat Vithalji Jobanputra of the Rotary Club of Kisumu was the only recipient from District 9200 of the Service Above Self Award of year 2007-08. This is Rotary International's highest honor for individual Rotarians who have demonstrated exemplary humanitarian service, especially those who have helped others through personal volunteer work and active involvement in Rotary.

Humanitarian Grants: Did you know?

1. That if you do not fulfill the grant payment paperwork and conditions within six months of the announcement letter the grant is cancelled?
2. That each club must contribute *at least* \$100? (Note: many of our clubs also translate this as *at most*: clubs are encouraged to contribute more to show commitment and ownership).
3. The final report is due within two months of completion?

PLEASE NOTE!

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2009 WILL BE HELD IN NAIROBI, KENYA ON MAY 13TH - 16TH 2009. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO REGISTER VISIT:

<http://districtconference.rotary9200.org>

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