



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL—DISTRICT 9200



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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Kampala!

Tusangaire Bakagwa!
Welcome blood brothers and sisters!

“Mukagwa”, where I was born, means blood brother or blood sister. It carries a very heavy obligation, transcending even biological brothers and sisters – you are bound by mutual obligation and responsibility for each other. When “owomukago” invites you, you must turn up. When you are celebrating or grieving, they must be there. Much the same as Rotary really, except that instead of blood rituals, we bind to each other through the Object of Rotary and commitment to service; through the moral code of the Four Way Test; and through the ethical code of the Declaration of Rotarians in Businesses and Professions. Very heavy commitments indeed!

And this year, all the Bakagwa in Rotary are invited to Kampala for the 82nd District Conference. The weight of obligation... Indeed 1,000 of you have already registered. Fortunately, it is not a time of grief, but a time of celebration.

You have gone beyond all expectations in giving support to Our Foundation, The Rotary Foundation. Let us celebrate!

You organised an inspiring welcome for RI President Bill Boyd and Lorna. New clubs have been chartered in Ethiopia (1), Kenya (2) and Uganda (1). New clubs are in formation in Ethiopia (3), Kenya (4), Tanzania (2) and Uganda (1). Let us celebrate!

Rotary service, through incoming grants, has reached new records with several 3H, several major, and a very plentiful supply of minor grants. Our reporting and stewardship has improved. We now also have a draft District Strategic Plan framework that will be fleshed out into a full strategic plan, a direction for orderly growth as a District. Let us celebrate!

And yes, we shall also reflect. Reflect on where we still remain weak in extension, membership development, financial support to TRF, stewardship and in supporting Rotaract and Interact. We shall learn from our mistakes and admit that we are not perfect, but have the will and the ability to be much, much better, making District 9200 the Pearl of



Prof. Wangari Maathai

Rotary International. And we shall also plan ahead, taking up the clarion call from incoming RI President Wilkinson that “Rotary Shares” and we must therefore Share Rotary.

And what a wonderful formal and social programme Martin Kiyaga and his team has put together! From the Guest of Honour, the Nabagereka (Queen) of Buganda; to the Keynote speakers, Nobel Laureate Hon Prof Wangari Maathai and our own international scholar and thinker, Prof Ali Mazrui;



Prof. Ali Mazrui

From the RIPPR Dr Michael Abdalla – a Trustee of TRF; to



Dr Michael Abdalla and Jean

the youth and the professionals; to the social events; with Rotary Club of Kampala celebrating its golden jubilee – all making veritable gourmet meal of inspiration and fun.

Would that I was not Governor so that I could just relax and thoroughly enjoy it all!

Tusangaire Bakagwa!

RIPPR TO 82ND DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Dr. Michael Abdalla is an orthopaedic surgeon and Vice President of the Orange Orthopaedic Medical Group. He joined the Rotary Club of Orange, California, in 1971 and served as a president in 1978/79. He served as a District Governor in 1995/96. Mike is a recipient of the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service. He and his wife Jean are charter members of the Arch Klumpf Society and benefactors of the Rotary Foundation. Jean and Mike say they are excited and honoured to be representing RI President Bill Boyd at the District 9200 Conference in Entebbe. This will be their second visit to this part of Africa. Mike and Jean, Karibuni!

82ND DISTRICT CONFERENCE AND ASSEMBLY, 16 – 19 MAY

We are just two weeks to the District Conference. We are looking forward to meeting all of you at Speke Resort Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda ,

for yet another memorable conference. If you have not registered for the Conference, please do so now.

Sufficient accommodation is available at the Conference Hotel – BOOK NOW. If you plan to share a room (\$45 per person per day), kindly indicate with whom you want to share. A double room is at \$90, and a single is \$60 per day, all VAT inclusive of a buffet breakfast and VAT. Other meals and teas are covered by the registration fee.

Participants traveling from outside Uganda are requested to let us know their travel itineraries to enable us make appropriate transport arrangements from Entebbe Airport.

Please check the District Website, www.rotary9200.org, for both the programme and a list of registrants to date – let us know if your name or any other information is missing. We are looking forward to welcoming you to Uganda for a Conference to remember!

**Martin Kiyaga,
Conference Chair.**

D9200 RECEPTION AT THE SALT LAKE CONVENTION

Dear Club Presidents,

As are already aware, District 9200 has organised a District reception at the forthcoming Convention in Salt Lake City. This is a special occasion for networking and fellowship. It is also availing us the rare opportunity to say THANK YOU to our international partners who have supported us in all these years in our various community projects.

Some figures for you to ponder:

- Currently, open matching grants in our district total value USD 3,611,000.
- Total Value of running 3H Grants USD 3,586,000.
- How about the GSE teams that we send out every year who are fully taken care of by the TRF and the host families.

All this would not have been possible without the support of our international partners. Would it be too much, if all our clubs that have had a project with the participation of an international partner sent an invitation with a card to at least one of the Rotarians in the partnering club? How about the GSE alumni (former team leaders and members), sending a card to at least one of your former hosts? The card goes for only \$35, and in my view it would make a good gesture as a token of appreciation.

**Stephen Mwanje
District Secretary**

MESSAGE FROM DGE CHRIS

Dear 2007-08 Rotary Club President,

May I congratulate you upon the successful planning process that you have concluded. It must be a rewarding experience to see your Club Leadership Team ready to start their various assignments and all the members determined, inspired and confident to follow you towards achieving your goals. Please seek guidance from your Assistant Governor on Club Administration and statutory requirements,

including review of the Club Bylaws to implement the New Club Leadership Plan. Your Rotary Year Planner is a very useful tool, it must have helped you during this planning phase, and it is recommended that you review it to ensure that all important events and responsibilities have been captured to ensure its functionality as a working tool all the year.

I would like to believe that you have now developed detailed implementation for all your Goals, and that you have project proposal briefs ready to share with would-be partners, local and international, to be able to seek for possibilities of pulling ideas and resources together for implementation. There is urgent need to bring forward ideas of community service projects – especially those aiming at breaking the poverty cycle within our communities.

It is true that success breeds more success and every body will be more than happy to be part of a success story, so be sure to select projects and project teams that will bring success. Look out for possible continuity of past successful project ideas of your Club. Remember also that good stewardship is a key to successful projects. I look forward to meeting you at the District Assembly, and to receiving your Planning Guide for Effective Clubs prior to the Assembly. I also expect to meet you at the International Convention. Both events will present to you opportunities for networking and partnerships – you cannot afford to miss any of them. Encourage your members to participate.

Finally, you must plan to have a dignified installation ceremony and hand over as you take office: Dignified not in terms of wine and food, but as a formal opportunity for the Club to review performance, receive your vision and guidance for the year, and also receive Club documents and records in good time enable you start working come July 01, 2007.

We look forward to a great year of selfless service to demonstrate that indeed *Rotary Shares*.

Chris Mutalya

THREE NEW 3H GRANTS APPROVED

What a blessing for District 9200! In Uganda, the Rotary Foundation Trustees have awarded 3H Grant 57845 to the Rotary Club of Kampala-Ssesse Islands and the Rotary Club of Bainbridge Island to provide water wells, anti-parasitic medications, nutrition and disease control education to improve the health of local villagers in up-country, Uganda. The grant is awarded in the amount of US\$259,654, making \$289,654 along with the cosponsor contributions.

In Tanzania, 3H Grant 60905 has gone to the Rotary Club of Arusha, and the Rotary Club of The Island & Royal Manor of Portland, England to reduce the malaria-related deaths, illness, mental retardation, school and work absenteeism by providing treated bed-nets, spraying mosquito breeding areas, training medical personnel, and educating mothers in malaria-endemic areas of Tanzania. The grant from The Rotary

Foundation is awarded in the amount of US\$ 294,694. The award amount along with the cosponsor contributions will total US\$ 354,694.

In Kenya, District 9200 together with the Rotary Club of Summerland - Grant 57845 to provide potable water, improve sanitation, develop livelihood opportunities, reforest, and increase AIDS awareness in the Nakuru region of Kenya. TRF has awarded \$300,000, making a total of \$330,000 together with cosponsor contributions.

Congratulations all! What a new impetus for all of us to support the Foundation financially. Make your contribution today!

LIGHT CORNER

Just Cut Your Hair First!

A young man comes home and says "Dad, I just got my driver's license and would like to use the family car". Father replies "Ok son, but first, you have to get good grades in school, keep your room clean, make the yard neat and cut your hair. Come back in a few months and then we will see. After several months, the young man comes back to report "Dad, I got great marks in class. I have been keeping my room neat as a pin and the yard is always clean. How about letting me use the car?" Father replies "That is all true, but son you did not cut your hair". Son says "But, dad, Jesus had long hair". Father replies, "Yes, son, you are perfectly right. And he walked everywhere he went."

Send your articles to Rtn. Rosetti Nabbumba Nayenga at rosseti.nabbumba@finance.go.ug; rnabbumba@yahoo.com

Is your membership number correct? See note at the end...

Attendance			
ClubName	Country	Members	Mar
Addis Ababa	ETHIOPIA	31	75.2
Addis Ababa -Bole	ETHIOPIA	35	
Addis Ababa East	ETHIOPIA	37	
Addis Ababa Entoto	ETHIOPIA	38	54
Addis Ababa -West	ETHIOPIA	54	56.5
Arua	UGANDA	27	46.5
Arusha	TANZANIA	29	
Arusha Mount Meru	TANZANIA	33	58
Asmara	ERITREA	32	
Bahari-Dar-es -Salaam	TANZANIA	45	70
Bahari-Mombasa	KENYA	34	
Bahir Dar	ETHIOPIA	36	
Bugolobi	UGANDA	32	
Bukoba	TANZANIA	15	31
Bukoto	UGANDA	28	
Bushenyi	UGANDA	28	72
Bweyogerere-Namboole	UGANDA	38	61
Dar-es-Salaam	TANZANIA	53	64
Mzizima	TANZANIA	28	60
Dar-es-Salaam North	TANZANIA	27	67
Diani	KENYA	16	
Eldoret	KENYA	11	
Entebbe	UGANDA	25	49
Gaba	UGANDA	21	
Gulu	UGANDA	15	
Homa Bay	KENYA	12	
Hurlingham - Nairobi	KENYA	19	
Ibanda	UGANDA	11	81.8
Iganga	UGANDA	13	56
Iringa	TANZANIA	15	
Jinja	UGANDA	66	95.8
Kabale	UGANDA	25	65.4
Kabarole	UGANDA	16	66.3
Kajjansi	UGANDA	15	87
Kakamega	KENYA	15	

ClubName	Country	Members	Mar
Kalisizo	UGANDA	12	70
Kampala	UGANDA	58	55
Kampala-Central	UGANDA	26	70
Kampala-East	UGANDA	46	
Kampala-North	UGANDA	47	
Kampala-South	UGANDA	27	
Kampala-Ssese Islands	UGANDA	43	71.4
Kampala-West	UGANDA	36	
Kamuli	UGANDA	10	68
Karagwe	TANZANIA	15	
Karen	KENYA	36	
Karura	KENYA	18	
Kasangati	UGANDA	22	25
Kasese	UGANDA	20	
Kayunga	UGANDA	11	54.3
Kibaale	UGANDA	13	67
Kilifi	KENYA	12	43.3
Kilindini	KENYA	23	
Kisumu	KENYA	33	50
Kiwatule	UGANDA	39	
Kololo	UGANDA	59	74
Kyambogo	UGANDA	25	67
Kyengera	UGANDA	30	73
Kyotera	UGANDA	20	75
Lira	UGANDA	11	70.5
Machakos	KENYA	18	80
Makindye	UGANDA	28	
Malindi	KENYA	17	
Maralal	KENYA	18	
Masaka	UGANDA	31	
Mbale	UGANDA	27	
Mbarara	UGANDA	37	63.78
Mbarara-East	UGANDA	20	
Mengo	UGANDA	45	62
Meru	KENYA	24	
Milimani	KENYA	24	
Mityana	UGANDA	10	
Mombasa	KENYA	68	
Mombasa Central	KENYA	19	33
Momba sa	KENYA	16	18.75

ClubName	Country	Members	Mar
North Coast			
Morogoro	TANZANIA	15	
Moshi	TANZANIA	22	
Mubende	UGANDA	14	78.5
Mukono	UGANDA	23	66
Murang'a	KENYA	12	
Muthaiga	KENYA	39	
Muyenga	UGANDA	86	70
Dodoma	TANZANIA	25	
Mwanza	TANZANIA	17	
Nairobi	KENYA	105	
Nairobi Industrial Area	KENYA	31	
Nairobi-East	KENYA	30	
Langata	KENYA	49	48
Nairobi-North	KENYA	51	
Nairobi-South	KENYA	30	59.26
Utumishi	KENYA	23	73.4
Naivasha	KENYA	19	
Nakuru	KENYA	30	69.64
Ntinda	UGANDA	31	
Port-Bell	UGANDA	31	
Rubaga	UGANDA	35	100
Rwampara	UGANDA	12	64
Seeta	UGANDA	13	77
Source of the Nile	UGANDA	22	
Sunrise Kampala	UGANDA	25	78
Tanga	TANZANIA	31	79
Thika	KENYA	25	92.22
Tororo	UGANDA	13	33
Vihiga	KENYA	9	
Webuye	KENYA	15	
Westlands	KENYA	32	
Zanzibar Stonetown	TANZANIA	29	

The number indicated as your club membership is as per current RI records. If this is wrong, it means you have not sent your semi-annual report. It is critical that you do so right away, copy to the DG.