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EDITOR'S NOTE

A Month into the Deep waters

As we embark on the uncharted waters of our Rotary journey, the first month has already unveiled a tapestry of triumphs and what a remarkable start it has been! July has been a whirlwind of excitement, marked by the launch of our new Rotary year, which has ignited a fire of purpose, as we plant our balance, nurture the pathfinders, and bring our Island projects to life.

The visits of our DRR have been a clarion call to action, inspiring us to embrace our shared humanity and strive for excellence. We salute the clubs that have already found their stride, their balance, and their momentum. Your pioneering spirit illuminates the path for others to follow. Your dedication and enthusiasm are the beacons that light the way for others. To those still finding

their rhythm, we offer a beacon of encouragement and support. Don't hesitate to reach out, to seek guidance, and to learn from the wisdom of others.

We welcome you to this edition of our publication, where we profile and celebrate the impact stories that are redefining our world.

As we look ahead, our excitement builds, as we venture deeper into the unknown, our hearts well with anticipation. We are the architects of our collective destiny, and the

possibilities are endless. We are eager to witness the progress, the growth, and the incredible achievements that will unfold. This is just the beginning of an extraordinary journey, and we are honored to be a part of it. So, let us dive deeper, together, and create a tidal wave of positive change that resonates across our communities and beyond.

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OUR LEADERS

FROM CHALLENGE TO OPPORTUNITY



If we are to truly change the world with *The Magic of Rotary*, it's up to all of us to foster a sense of belonging in our clubs.

But every club should take its own path to get there, and the Action Plan can help you find your way. What does that look like?

Take for instance the Rotary Club of Beveren- Waas in Belgium. It was chartered in 1974 but has evolved with the times, developing both a strategic plan and a membership plan. To find new members, the club analyzes the city's professions to help focus its search, and all new members are quickly assigned tasks and roles.

The club also mixes up meeting times, alternating between evening and afternoon sessions, making them accessible for all members.

Sometimes, circumstances force clubs to make changes. But as people of action, we know that behind every obstacle is an opportunity.

The Rotary Club of Holyoke in Massachusetts was forced from its meeting place because of rising costs after the COVID-19 pandemic, but members took this setback and turned it into a strength. The club started meeting in a library community room that was available for no charge and catering lunch from a nearby deli. Lunch costs \$10 per person but it's optional, so no one has to spend money to attend a meeting. What a great way to work toward being "fair to all concerned."

Since making this change, the Holyoke club has gained 13

members. I suspect part of its membership growth is due to the club's sense of inclusivity — the first step toward belonging.

If you ask members what they expect from the club experience, you might find that your club doesn't meet expectations.

Think of this as an opportunity to reshape your club in exciting ways, as alternative club models are making a positive impact.

For example, a Rotary Fellowship called Beers

Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide, or BREW, has worked closely with the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Rotary Action Group for the past eight years to assist with clean water projects. In that time, BREW has funneled 25 percent of its dues to those initiatives.

BREW is one of many examples of members pursuing belonging to improve the world.

I can't stress enough the importance of belonging.

Clubs become simply irresistible when all members feel that they are exactly where they need to be. To me, belonging is the spark that ignites *The Magic of Rotary*.

As you receive feedback from club members and the community you serve, I urge you to pursue that spark. The Action Plan can help you find the path to success, and if you light your way with the spirit of belonging, that path will lead to a bright future for your club, your community, and the world..

STEPHANIE A. URCHICK

President, Rotary International



A Large and Active Membership is Critical to the Success of Everything We Do

Dear Rotaractors

We have already completed our first month of this Rotary year and I hope you are now settled into your respective roles and activities geared towards fulfilling our targets and making lasting change across the, in our communities and in ourselves. Also ensuring we truly bring our theme 'the Magic of Rotary' to life, and why not, as this is what we do and what we are about.

As I began my role as District Governor this past month, I have been humbled to see your hearts of service in everything that you are doing. I have visited some amazing projects and was awestruck and truly humbled by your works! The year has kicked off very well and we have also successfully launched our centennial project of 'Planting our Balance' in both Uganda and Tanzania. I have been planting trees at club visits and I will soon be done with my personal tree balance then I will also plant my club's balance. Thank you, Rotarians.

Visiting you in your clubs as well as project visits has reminded me again and again what truly exceptional people Rotarians are. I have experienced magical moments again and again!

As we start the Membership month, I want us to remember that a large

and active membership is critical to the success of everything we do. Starting with our service projects, to fundraising activities, and giving to the Foundation. With a bigger membership, we have more hands-on deck for everything as well as opportunities for more connections from a wider base.

No one will however know what we do if we don't tell our stories for people to know the good, we are doing and come to join us. So let us please tell our stories.

We must be intentional about growing quality membership in our communities, corporates, friends and family. We should try to form new clubs whilst also ensuring retention as well as increasing members in our clubs and avoiding the proverbial leaking bucket scenario.

Let us give this effort our all this August and this will help set the tone and drive membership in our District this year.

Wishing you a great month and looking forward to seeing encouraging membership stories this month.

AGNES BATENGAS

District Governor

Together We Rise: A Month of Inspiration and Impact

As I reflect on my first month as your District Rotaract Representative, my heart swells with gratitude. The journey has been nothing short of transformative action, filled with remarkable events and the incredible spirit of our Rotaract community.



We commenced this year with a vibrant fellowship hosted by RC Kampala Munyonyo, where we launched our exciting programs for the year. It was a powerful reminder of our shared mission and the impact we can create. The launch of our District Governor's flagship project, "Plant Your Balance," which spans both Uganda and Tanzania, marks a significant step towards environmental stewardship and community engagement.

In partnership with NTV Uganda, we are gearing up for the upcoming Youth Skills Fest, a vital initiative that aims to empower youth through the Pathfinder's program. This collaboration, supported by RC Muyenga Tankhill, Kigo Seven Lakes, and Bwebajja, reflects our commitment to fostering skills and opportunities for the younger generation.

One of the highlights of this month was hosting the inaugural "Magic of Rotaract Tour," where we showcased the impactful projects of the Rotary Vijana Poa center, led by the Rotary and Rotaract clubs of Kajjansi and Akright City. Witnessing the dedication and passion of our clubs to empower the youth has been moving.

During my visits to over 15 clubs in the central and greater Masaka regions, I have been deeply inspired by the warmth and enthusiasm of each club. The board meetings, club assemblies, and project visits have reinforced our collective commitment to making our clubs simply irresistible. Your dedication empowers me to strive for excellence each day.

I am profoundly grateful for the warm welcome I receive at each visit. Your enthusiasm, and unwavering support has empowered me to work harder and strive to be better. You have shown the true spirit of Rotaract, and I am honored to serve alongside individuals such as you.

This month will be dedicated to our members. I urge all clubs to continue with our 30+ campaign to grow our membership to at least 30 members. For clubs that have already surpassed this milestone, I challenge you to bring in another 20 members this year. remember, membership is a central part of our Big Five agenda for this year. Key to this agenda is membership engagement and growth. We must strive to provide value to our members; every activity and initiative should involve and

benefit them. If we focus on this, growth will naturally follow. Happy members make happy clubs, and happy clubs create happy leaders. Let's make each other happy and remember that we don't volunteer to suffer. Grow Rotaract, grow Rotary. Together, we can expand our reach, amplify our impact, and make our clubs vibrant and dynamic.

To all the club Presidents, team members, and Fellow Rotaractors, I want to express my heartfelt Gratitude for your unwavering support and dedication. Your passion and commitment are the driving force behind our success. Let us continue to uplift and inspire each other as we embark on this incredible journey.

Thank you for a wonderful first month. Let us carry this momentum forward and make this Rotary year truly magical.

With love and gratitude,

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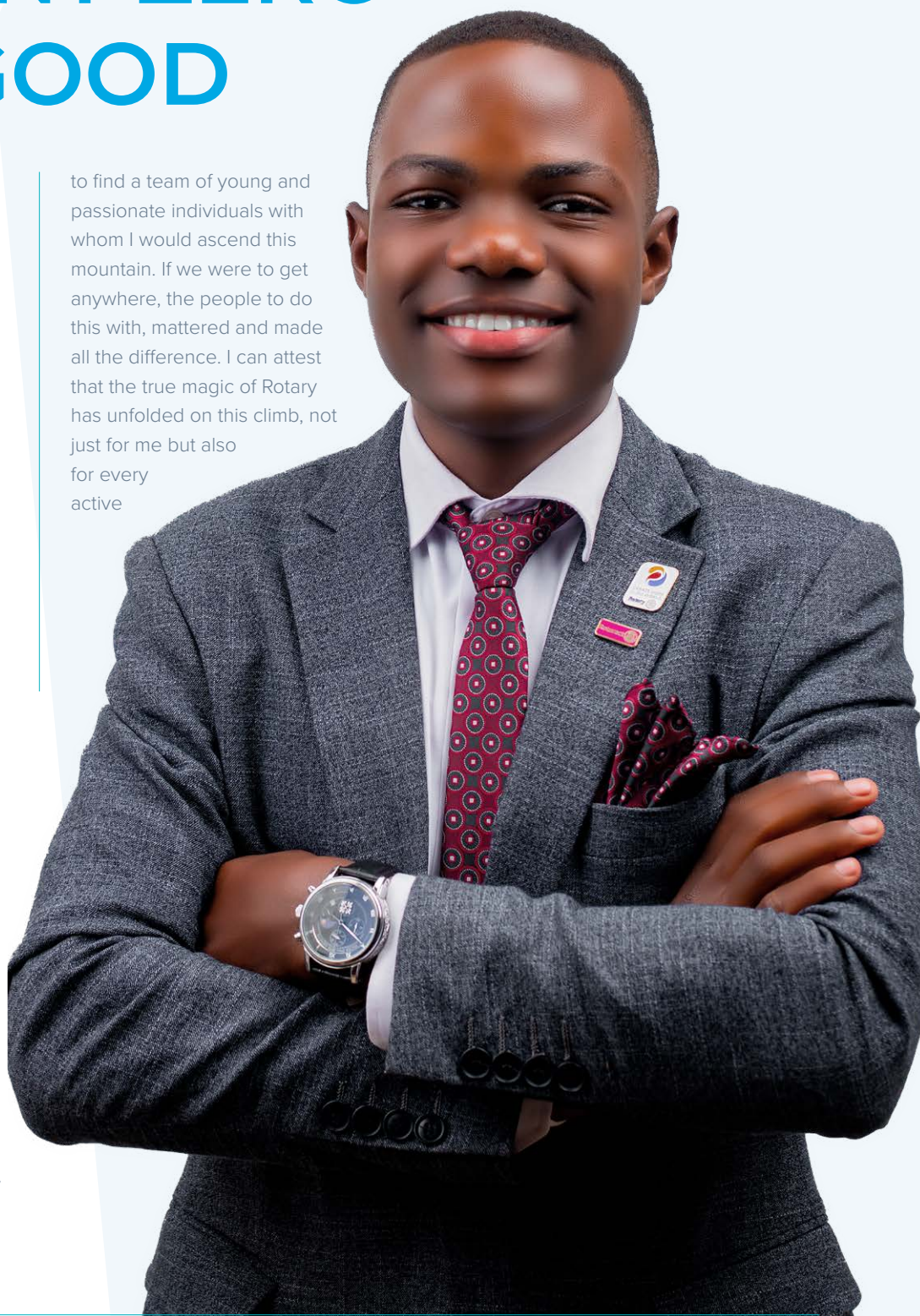
BECOMING PATIENT ZERO FOR GOOD

The best way to put my experience to words is to say I was the patient zero in the journey of forming a Rotaract club in my community.

Having been a member of the Rotaract Club of Nakawa (MUBS), I felt that a Rotaract club is the best place for personal growth and where together, every young person becomes a force for good. I felt in a deeper sense that I needed to connect with and contribute to my community in a meaningful way and chartering a club would be the best way to make that happen.

The Rotaract Club of Akright City was to be a vessel and crucible for change, a community of young people to craft the future they need and the kind of life we want to lead, with a vision to create impact that inspires action. I set out – with the help of the Youth Service Director Allan Kiwumulo from the Rotary Club of Akright City, that would become our sponsoring club –

to find a team of young and passionate individuals with whom I would ascend this mountain. If we were to get anywhere, the people to do this with, mattered and made all the difference. I can attest that the true magic of Rotary has unfolded on this climb, not just for me but also for every active





member in the club that Akright City is, today.

Like any beginning, ours or rather my first few meetings were a test to our resolve, on many occasions I sat as the only member soliloquizing at Harkiss Wines and Spirits Collection (it was barely starting up too as a hangout), the other times I invited anyone I met on my way or at the bar. Then came two and then five. Of course, we are not exactly the same, so some stayed when they visited and others didn't, but we stayed the course. Our club grew from patient zero and the spirit of service spread to about 20 other prospective members at the time it was launched as a club in formation.

On the days we met, we shared tea and popcorn on those cold evenings, and laughed at ourselves and the candid conversations when we did not have a guest speaker giving us a lecture on a particular topic. The Rotaract Club of Akright City was Chartered on the 26th of June, 2023 a few months after had worked on and implemented a community service project. By this time, we had become a solid family and we continue to grow this way with each new member. We cherish to this day the Rotaractors that visited us at that time when there was no definition to our group. Our interesting experience as a group of young volunteers in our community

is also inexhaustible, as we often reminisce.

This experience is what gives me certainty that for this club there is an upward spiral of growth and change, purposeful expression and continuous improvement with every act of service, big or small, shaped by each member's dedication. It has been an absolute honor and privilege to pioneer in creating lasting impact as a charter president of the Rotaract Club of Akright City, needless to say, inspiring too.

RTR. MUTUNGI EMMANUEL

Charter President RAC Akright City



From Ideas to Action: Stop Planning and Start Doing

In an era where change is the only constant, the need for action over endless planning has never been more pressing.

This was the powerful message delivered by Joseph Batter Ssenkooba, the District Rotaract Representative (DRR) for District 9214, during his official visit to our club. His rallying cry, "From ideas to action. Stop planning and start

doing,” resonated deeply with us, urging us to move beyond the confines of meeting rooms and step into the real world where our actions can create tangible impact.

The essence of Ssengooba’s message is rooted in a simple yet profound truth: while planning is essential, it is the execution of these plans that ultimately drives change. In Rotaract and Rotary, we often find ourselves caught up in meticulous planning, detailed agendas, and exhaustive meetings. While these are important, they can sometimes become a hindrance, delaying the implementation of impactful projects. Ssengooba’s call to action challenges us to balance planning with doing, ensuring that our ideas do not remain confined to paper but are translated into actions that benefit our communities.

One of the key points Ssengooba emphasized was the importance of agility and adaptability in our approach. The world around us is changing rapidly, and the problems we aim to solve are evolving. To keep pace, we must be willing to take risks, experiment with new ideas, and learn from our failures. This requires a shift in mindset from seeking

perfection in planning to embracing the uncertainties of action. It’s about being bold and courageous, stepping out of our comfort zones, and making a difference, however small it may seem.

Ssengooba also highlighted the role of collaboration in driving effective action. In Rotaract, we are part of a global network of young leaders committed to positive change. By leveraging this network, we can amplify our impact, sharing resources, knowledge, and best practices. Collaboration not only enhances our ability to execute projects efficiently but also fosters a sense of solidarity and shared purpose. As Ssengooba aptly put it, “Together, we can achieve more.”

DRR’s message underscored the importance of sustainability in our actions. It is not enough to launch projects; we must ensure that they are sustainable and continue to benefit communities long after they are initiated. This requires a focus on long-term outcomes rather than short-term gains. By integrating sustainability into our projects, we contribute to lasting change, empowering communities to thrive independently.

Another critical aspect he addressed was the need for continuous reflection and learning. Action without reflection can lead to repetitive mistakes and missed opportunities for improvement. By regularly assessing our projects and seeking feedback, we can refine our approaches, enhance our impact, and grow as leaders. This iterative process of action and reflection is crucial for personal and organizational development.

In conclusion, DRR JB’s call to action is a timely reminder that in Rotaract, our true power lies in our ability to translate ideas into actions. While planning is necessary, it is the execution of these plans that brings about real change. By being agile, collaborative, and sustainable in our approach, and by continuously reflecting on our actions, we can maximize our impact and contribute meaningfully to our communities. As we move forward, let us embrace Ssengooba’s message and strive to be doers, not just planners. It is through our actions that we will make a difference and embody the true spirit of Rotaract.

NYAKATO BARBRA

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Rotaract Club of Kajjansi

A deeper understanding of the goals of Rotaract

Rotary International, a global service organization, has been dedicated to creating positive change in communities worldwide.

Through its youth development program, Rotaract, Rotary aims to empower young individuals to become active citizens and leaders. The five goals of Rotaract align perfectly with Rotary's mission to promote service, ethics, and community development.

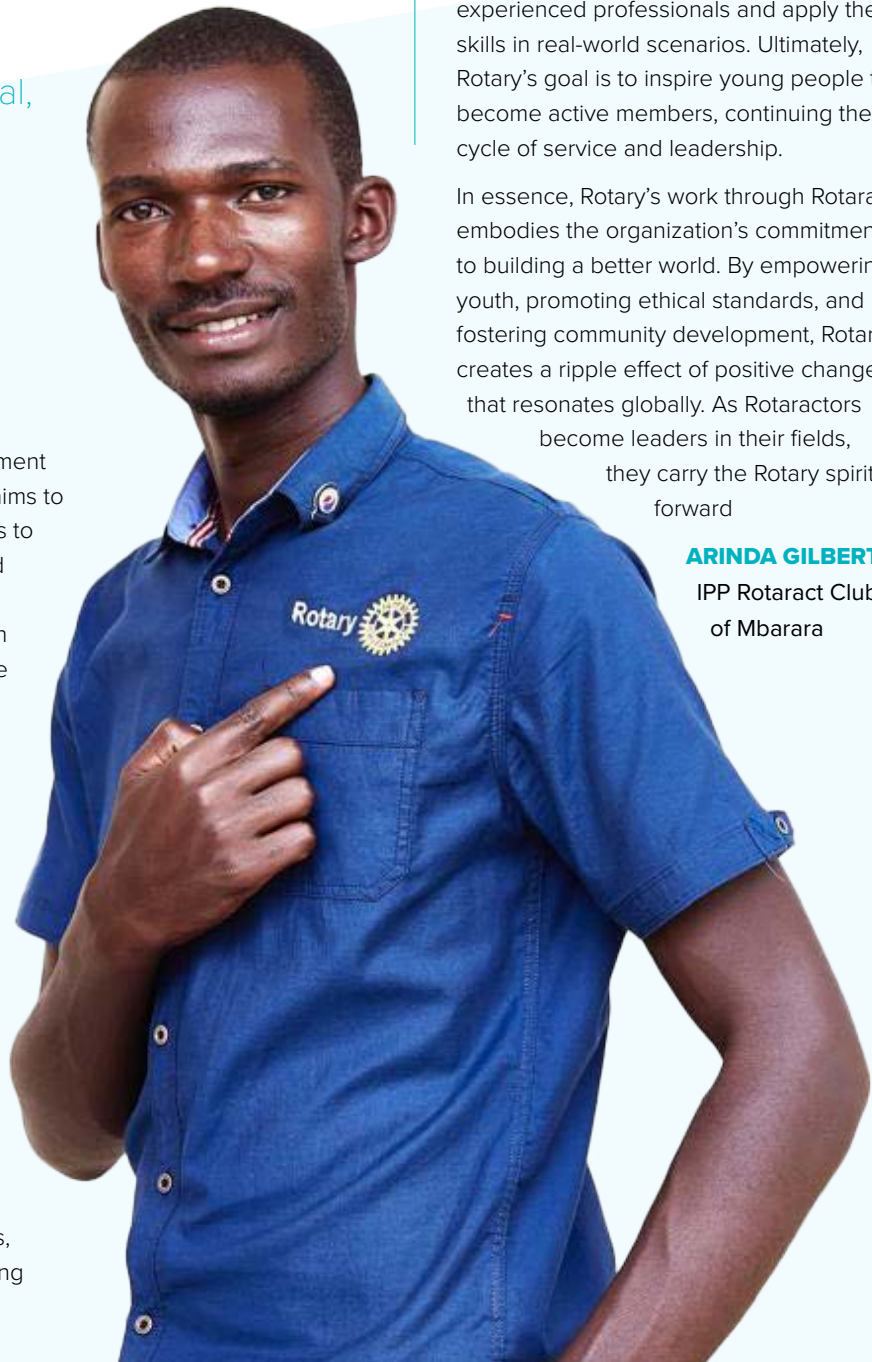
Rotary provides a platform for young people to develop their professional and leadership skills, preparing them to tackle global challenges. By emphasizing respect for others' rights and promoting ethical standards, Rotary fosters a culture of inclusivity and integrity. Through community service projects, Rotaractors address pressing

needs and concerns, making a meaningful impact in their communities.

Collaboration with sponsor Rotary clubs offers valuable opportunities for mentorship, networking, and joint community projects. This partnership enables Rotaractors to learn from experienced professionals and apply their skills in real-world scenarios. Ultimately, Rotary's goal is to inspire young people to become active members, continuing the cycle of service and leadership.

In essence, Rotary's work through Rotaract embodies the organization's commitment to building a better world. By empowering youth, promoting ethical standards, and fostering community development, Rotary creates a ripple effect of positive change that resonates globally. As Rotaractors become leaders in their fields, they carry the Rotary spirit forward

ARINDA GILBERT
IPP Rotaract Club
of Mbarara



MY FIRST 31 DAYS AS PRESIDENT

As I reflect on my first 31 days as the president of our Rotaract club, I can't help but feel a mix of emotions - excitement, trepidation, and a deep sense of responsibility.

Taking on this leadership role has been a transformative journey, filled with valuable lessons that I know will shape my growth as a leader and guide our club towards greater success.

One of the first things I learned is the importance of effective communication. As the president, it's my duty to keep our members informed and engaged. I've worked hard to establish clear channels of communication, from regular club meetings to email updates and a vibrant social media presence. But it's not just about disseminating information - I've also made it a priority to listen to my team's ideas and concerns, fostering an open and collaborative environment.





Delegating responsibilities has also been a crucial skill to develop. I quickly realized that I can't do everything on my own, and empowering our members to take on tasks that align with their strengths and interests has been a game-changer. Not only does it lighten my workload, but it also instills a sense of ownership and commitment within the team.

Prioritizing and planning strategically has been another key focus area. With so many potential projects and initiatives, it's essential to identify our club's top priorities and create a roadmap to achieve them. By setting realistic timelines and allocating resources effectively, we've been able to stay focused and maximize the impact of our efforts.

Building relationships and collaborating with other Rotaract clubs, Rotary clubs, and community

organizations has opened up a world of new opportunities. Sharing best practices, pooling resources, and working on joint projects has allowed us to amplify our reach and make a more significant difference in our community.

Embracing flexibility and adaptability has also been crucial, as we've navigated unexpected challenges and changes. I've learned to be open to adjusting our plans and strategies as needed, and I've encouraged my team to do the same. This agility has helped us respond effectively to evolving circumstances and seize new opportunities as they arise.

Celebrating our successes and recognizing individual contributions has been a powerful way to boost morale and foster a sense of pride within our club. Acknowledging the hard work and dedication of our team members has been incredibly

rewarding, and finding ways to celebrate our achievements together has strengthened our bond and motivated us to continue striving for greatness.

As I look ahead, I know that my journey as the president of our Rotaract club is far from over. I'm committed to embracing a mindset of continuous learning and improvement, seeking feedback, and constantly looking for ways to enhance our club's operations and impact. With the lessons I've learned during these first 30 days, I'm confident that we can set our club up for long-term success and make a lasting difference in our community.

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Building a Thriving Rotaract Community

In the vibrant world of Rotaract, where young professionals and students come together to make a difference, the key to thriving is through engaging and growing its membership.

Picture a club that feels like a second home, a place where every member, whether a newcomer or a seasoned Rotaractor, feels valued and involved. This story of fostering engagement and growth begins with a warm welcome and a genuine sense of belonging.

Imagine walking into your first Rotaract meeting, greeted with smiles and open arms. Seasoned members, acting as mentors, take you under their wing, introducing you to the club's culture and activities. This immediate connection lays the foundation for a long-lasting relationship. New members find themselves quickly integrated, and their enthusiasm is met with a variety of meaningful activities that cater to diverse interests.

From impactful community service projects to professional development workshops and lively social events, there's something for



everyone. Members see firsthand the tangible impact of their efforts on the community and their own personal growth. This sense of purpose and accomplishment fuels their desire to stay engaged.

As members grow more involved, opportunities for leadership development become crucial. Taking on leadership roles within the club offers a sense of responsibility and ownership. Imagine organizing a successful fundraiser or leading a team for a service project. Leadership training and workshops prepare members for these roles, empowering them to contribute to the club's success and fostering a deeper connection.

In our digital age, technology plays a vital role in keeping members informed and connected. Picture a club that leverages social media platforms, a user-friendly website, and mobile apps to share updates, event reminders, and engaging content. Even when members can't attend meetings physically, they feel connected and involved.

Recognition and celebration of achievements act as powerful motivators. Regularly acknowledging and celebrating members' contributions through awards, social media shout-outs, or special events fosters a sense of accomplishment and belonging. Members feel

appreciated and driven to continue their active participation.

The story wouldn't be complete without listening to the voices of the members. Regularly soliciting feedback through surveys or suggestion boxes ensures that every opinion is heard. Acting on this feedback shows members that their input matters and shapes the club's direction.

Recruitment and retention efforts go hand in hand. Imagine a club that not only welcomes new members with open arms but also keeps long-term members engaged. A robust onboarding process for new members, coupled with ongoing engagement opportunities, ensures that everyone feels part of the Rotaract family. Recruitment efforts target diverse groups, reflecting the community's demographics and enriching the club's dynamic.

Ultimately, building a strong sense of community within the club enhances engagement. Picture team-building activities, retreats, and informal gatherings where members bond and create lasting friendships. This strong community makes members feel connected, making them more likely to remain active and committed.

Through these efforts, Rotaract clubs can thrive, with engaged, motivated, and loyal members contributing to the club's vibrant and dynamic growth. The story of promoting membership engagement and growth in Rotaract is one of connection, purpose, and community, where every member feels valued and inspired to make a difference.

RTR. ROSE MARY NNAMULEME (PHF)

Rotaract Club of Bwebajja

The Evolution from Institutional-Based Club to Rotaract e-Club



Generally, the history of e-Clubs in Rotary can be traced back in 1990 when the Rotarians from district 5450 Colorado boarder were trying to figure out how to solve their membership problem. It was then during this time where the “dot com era” was starting to rise. Their main membership problems were, members who were travelling regularly and members whose lifestyles did not allow them to go to physical regular meetings.

It was until 2002 when the first Rotary e-Club was formed and it was known as the Rotary e-Club One consisting of almost 90% of Charter members with good Rotary Background. The club still exists to date impacting million lives.

Our story is a similar one as well. Try to do the comparison to validate this:

The Rotaract e-Club of Swahili is a club found in Tanzania belonging

to Rotary International District 9214 consisting of a dynamic and diverse group of people with similar interests of serving the community and making a positive impact to the society. The e-Club mostly uses technology to meet their interests. It is named Rotaract e-Club of Swahili because apart from making impact to the community, it is also a chance to make the Swahili Culture grow globally. The club was chartered on 20th March 2024 during the Rotary Year 2023/24 with 27 active members. It is a club that is diverse and provides a great network for our members to share knowledge and resources that assists their own service projects as well as the projects sponsored and/or executed by the club. Our Sponsoring Club is the Rotary Club of Dar es Salaam Oyster Bay which was chartered on 14th January 2009. The club exists to retain members who are graduating from Institutional Based Clubs who can't join most of the existing traditional Community Based Clubs (CBC) but also to attract members who are completely new in Rotaract and want to join. Beyond a sense of belonging, being part of this clubs allows for flexibility of attending meeting without travelling a distance but also members can meet physically, being able to remain part of the same club irrespective of your movement from one place to another and make impact, attend meetings and fellowship with use of internet.

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Irresistible president
Rotaract club of E-club of Swahili

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Balancing Change and Continuity

In today's rapidly changing environment, clubs like the Rotaract Club of Tanzania Institute of Accountancy (TIA) face the challenge of balancing the need for innovation with the importance of continuity. This balance is crucial for fostering growth while maintaining the core values that define the organization.

Change is a fundamental driver of progress, and the Rotaract Club of TIA has recognized the necessity of adapting to new trends. This year, several initiatives have been introduced to enhance innovation and relevance. The club has embraced digital tools that streamline operations, improve communication, and engage members more effectively. This transformation not only modernizes the club's approach but also increases accessibility for all members. New projects have been launched focusing on pressing issues such as mental health awareness, climate change advocacy, and STEM education. These initiatives aim to address the evolving needs of the community and create a meaningful impact. By integrating online crowdfunding and virtual events with traditional fundraising methods, the club has broadened its reach and engaged a more diverse audience. This approach not only enhances financial support but also fosters community involvement.

While embracing change is essential, maintaining continuity is equally important for ensuring



stability and coherence within the organization. The Rotaract Club of TIA is committed to upholding the traditions and values that have shaped its identity. The club's unwavering commitment to service, leadership, and community remains at the forefront of its mission, guiding all actions and decisions. Long-standing initiatives, such as the annual tree planting drive and partnerships with local orphanages, continue to receive support. These projects not only reflect the club's history but also reinforce its dedication to community service. A culture of mentorship is fostered, allowing experienced members to pass down knowledge and skills to newer members. This practice helps preserve the club's legacy and ensures that its core values are instilled in future leaders.

The key to successfully balancing change and continuity lies in the integration of new ideas while remaining true to the organization's

roots. The Rotaract Club of TIA employs several strategies to achieve this balance. By involving members in the decision-making process, the club encourages diverse perspectives and fosters a sense of ownership among all members. This inclusivity enhances engagement and commitment to the club's objectives. The club prioritizes ongoing learning and development, staying updated on best practices and equipping members to implement change effectively. This commitment to growth ensures that the organization remains adaptable and responsive. Regular celebrations of achievements and milestones reinforce shared values and history, strengthening the club's community bond. Recognizing these moments fosters a sense of pride and belonging among members.

In conclusion, the Rotaract Club of TIA is dedicated to navigating the delicate balance between change and continuity. By embracing innovation while remaining grounded in core values, the club aims to create a dynamic organization capable of making a lasting impact. As it continues to adapt and grow, the Rotaract Club of TIA remains committed to the principles that define its mission and community service.

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Irresistible President
Rotaract club of TIA

Activating Rotary's Action Plan in our clubs

As Rotaractors, we stand at the forefront of leadership and community transformation, embodying the future of Rotary. To maximize our impact and drive meaningful change, we must align our initiatives with Rotary's Action Plan.

This strategic framework is designed to enhance our effectiveness and extend our reach, ultimately empowering us to create a lasting difference in our communities.

One of the foremost objectives is to boost Rotary's public image. We can achieve this by leveraging social media platforms to highlight our projects and activities, showcasing the tangible benefits we bring to our communities. Collaborating with Rotary clubs and other organizations will further amplify our reach, allowing us to connect with a broader audience. Additionally, establishing a robust online presence through our website and blog can serve as a vital tool for sharing our mission and successes.

Enhancing participant engagement is equally crucial. We should strive

to offer diverse and inclusive programs that resonate with our members' interests, fostering a sense of belonging and involvement. By organizing team-building activities and social events, we can cultivate meaningful connections among members, which is essential for retention and satisfaction. Furthermore, providing opportunities for leadership development through training and mentorship will not only empower our members but also strengthen our clubs.

Focusing on Rotary's areas of focus is another pillar of our strategy. We need to identify and implement projects that align with key areas such as community service, professional development, and leadership. Collaborating with other Rotaract clubs and organizations can enhance our collective impact, while measuring and evaluating the effectiveness of our initiatives will ensure we remain accountable and continuously improve our efforts.

Supporting Rotary's leadership development is vital for sustaining our clubs' growth. We should provide comprehensive training and resources for both club leaders and members, encouraging a culture of mentorship and knowledge-sharing. Developing succession plans will help ensure continuity and foster a new generation of leaders committed to our mission.



Increasing Rotary's global reach is essential in today's interconnected world. By participating in global grants and international projects, we can contribute to significant causes beyond our local communities. Hosting international visitors and engaging in cultural exchanges will enrich our experiences and broaden our perspectives. Supporting Rotary's global initiatives and partnerships will further solidify our role as global citizens.

Incorporating Rotary's Action Plan into our Rotaract clubs will yield numerous benefits. We will enhance our public image and visibility, increase member engagement and retention, and make a meaningful impact both locally and globally. By developing leaders and amplifying our reach, we can create a brighter future for all.

Together, let us commit to bringing Rotary's Action Plan to life in our Rotaract clubs, ensuring that we not only meet the challenges of today but also pave the way for a more promising tomorrow.

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Rotaract Club of Masaka

The Magic behind the Rotary Learning Center-Central

As a Rotarian and Rotaractor, I've experienced the transformative power of the Rotary Learning Center. When I became president of my club during the COVID-19 pandemic, I faced limited opportunities for physical gatherings and mentorship. That's when I turned to the Learning Center on myRotary.org, which became my trusted mentor



and presidential advisor.

Through the platform, I completed over 25 courses and earned certificates, gaining valuable insights into Rotary Foundation, club leadership, communication skills, branding guidelines, community service project management, and personal leadership development skills. The knowledge and confidence I gained enabled me to lead my club effectively, making my presidency a fun and enjoyable experience. I also appreciate the guidance and mentorship of Past President Ibrahim Kajubi, which played a vital role in my growth and understanding of Rotary and Rotaract. However, the Learning Center provided me with unbiased and original

information, helping me understand the platform's resources empowered me to make informed decisions and speak from a knowledgeable perspective. I believe the Rotary Learning Center is a magic tool

that democratizes access to knowledge, enabling Rotarians and Rotaractors to reach their full potential. Specifically, it helps Rotaractors achieve the first goal of developing professional and leadership skills.

I encourage everyone to leverage this valuable resource and unlock the secrets to effective leadership and community service through intentional utilization of the online Learning Center.

RTN/RTR. WAFULA SILAS SHOKI

Rotary club of Blouberg – South Africa

Rotaract Clubs of Kabalagala and Global Action In-Formation

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Bwebajja Rotaractors and Rotarians Plant 600 Trees in 10 Schools



In a remarkable display of environmental stewardship, the Rotaract Club of Bwebajja, in partnership with the Rotary Club of Bwebajja, launched the “Seedling for Sustainability” project. This initiative, aligned with the district’s flagship project “Plant Your Balance,” aims to preserve the environment through tree planting, promoting a greener and healthier future for the community.

The Rotaractors and Rotarians kicked off the year by planting various categories of trees, with a focus on fruit trees, in different schools along Entebbe Road. This strategic approach not only supports environmental conservation but also provides a sustainable source of food for the schools and their surrounding communities. The project’s impact will be felt for years to come as the trees grow and flourish.

The project covered several schools, including Bright Future Namulanda,

Elite High School Entebbe, Kisubi High School, St. Charles Lwanga Kawuku Primary School, Kids Pioneer, Kisubi Mapeera, Pop-up Kindergarten, Horizon Schools, and Boston High School Mpala. The enthusiasm and energy of the Rotaract Club members, along with the support of the Interact Clubs and Wildlife Clubs, made the project a resounding success.

A total of 600 trees were planted, a significant contribution to the district’s environmental conservation efforts. The trees were then handed over to different Interact Clubs, ensuring their continued care and maintenance. This project not only contributed to environmental conservation but also engaged the local community, fostering a sense of responsibility and ownership among the students and schools involved.

The Rotaract Club of Bwebajja’s initiative sets a positive example for sustainable practices and community service, inspiring others to follow in their footsteps. By working together, we can create a better future for ourselves and generations to come. This project demonstrates the power of collaboration and the impact that can be made when individuals come together to make a difference.

RTR. HANNINGTON MUKIIBI

Projects Director
Rotaract Club of Bwebajja



Kyrungji OITA Foundation and Rotaract Clubs Host Children's Medical Camp in Entebbe



On July 7, 2024, the Kyrungji OITA Foundation and Rotaract Clubs of Entebbe Airport and Garuga hosted a children's medical camp in Entebbe, Uganda. The camp aimed to screen children for surgical intervention and address various health issues. The findings were alarming, highlighting significant healthcare bottlenecks in rural communities.

The medical camp identified 3 children under 10 requiring surgical intervention and multiple cases of respiratory problems, urinary tract infections, and dental issues. Tragically, 1 child born with a heart

abnormality passed away due to oxygen deprivation.

The camp brought to light the challenges faced by rural communities in accessing quality medical care. These include poor detection of congenital abnormalities, inflexible care linkage systems, and limited access to standard care.

The medical camp not only addressed medical conditions but also offered insights into potential solutions for improving the healthcare system. The team's dedication and sacrifice in providing this act of kindness are

commendable.

The Rotaract Clubs and the Kyrungji OITA Foundation call on the community to address these challenges and ensure every child has access to quality medical care. By working together, we can implement solutions such as early detection and intervention for congenital abnormalities, enhancing care linkage systems for emergency cases, and implementing community home-based care to navigate healthcare

RTR. HAPPY NAGAWA BANDA
Irresistible President
Rotaract Club of Entebbe Airport





Impact Day in Bwebajja: A Fusion of Maternal Health Support and Youth Empowerment

On Thursday, July 18th, 2024, the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Bwebajja's Buddy Group Buzzi demonstrated a commendable commitment to community service through a dynamic Impact Day, featuring two impactful projects. These initiatives aimed to enhance Maternal and Child Health (MCH) at Kitala Health Center II and promote economic empowerment in Buzzi village. The day commenced with a visit

to Kitala Health Center II, where the group provided essential support to expecting mothers. They generously donated mama kits and baby clothing, essential items that can significantly improve maternal and neonatal health outcomes. These kits, containing basic delivery supplies, ensure safer childbirth experiences, particularly in under-resourced settings. The donated baby clothing helps to keep





newborns warm and reduces the risk of infections, thus contributing to better postnatal care.

This initiative was graced by the presence of the Deputy Mayor of Katabi Town Council, highlighting the local government's support for such vital community interventions. District Rotaract Representative Joseph Batter Ssenkooba also attended, reflecting the strong backing of Rotaract District 9214 for grassroots projects aimed at improving community welfare.

The second part of the day unfolded in Buzzi village, focusing on youth economic empowerment. A youth empowerment talk was held, addressing crucial topics such as entrepreneurship, financial literacy,

and skill development. The session aimed to inspire and equip the youth with the knowledge and confidence needed to pursue economic opportunities and build sustainable livelihoods.

Environmental sustainability was a key theme throughout the day. At both Kitala Health Center II and Buzzi village, trees were planted, symbolizing a commitment to environmental stewardship. These trees not only enhance the local ecosystem but also serve as a reminder of the enduring impact of community-driven initiatives.

The dual focus on maternal health and economic empowerment underscores Buddy Group Buzzi's holistic approach to community

development. By addressing immediate healthcare needs and fostering long-term economic resilience, the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Bwebajja demonstrated the multifaceted nature of impactful community service.

This Impact Day is a testament to the power of collaboration and the enduring spirit of Rotary and Rotaract in driving positive change. Through initiatives like these, they continue to build stronger, healthier, and more sustainable communities, embodying the very essence of service above self.

SSEBAGGALA DENIS COHEN

Buddy Group Buzzi
Rotaract Club of Bwebajja

Garuga Champion Maternal and Child Health and Peace at Gerenge Landing Site

On Saturday, July 20, 2024, the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Garuga held a transformative Maternal and Child Health (MCH) outreach at Gerenge Landing Site. This initiative brought together community members, healthcare professionals, and law enforcement officers in a collaborative effort to address pressing health and safety issues in the area. The project was graced by Dr. Margaret Nakaketo, who served as the keynote speaker, inspiring attendees with her extensive knowledge on MCH and community development.

A central focus of the outreach was the distribution of essential maternal and healthcare supplies. The club donated 50 mama kits to expectant mothers, providing them with vital items needed for safe childbirth.

These kits include essentials such as sterile gloves, gauze, disinfectants, and baby blankets, which are crucial for ensuring hygienic delivery conditions and promoting maternal and newborn health.

In addition to the mama kits, the club

distributed mosquito nets to help curb the rising rate of malaria infections in the community. Malaria remains a significant health threat in many parts of Uganda, and the provision of mosquito nets is a proven intervention that reduces the incidence of this life-threatening disease. By protecting expectant mothers and their families from malaria, the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Garuga are contributing to healthier pregnancies and safer births.

Dr. Margaret Nakaketo keynote address was a highlight of the event. Her expertise in maternal and child health and her dedication to community development resonated deeply with the audience. Dr. Nakaketo emphasized the

importance of accessible healthcare services and community support in improving maternal and child health outcomes. She also highlighted the critical role those local initiatives, such as this outreach event, play in bridging healthcare gaps and empowering communities.

The session, facilitated by the Community Liaison Officer, provided a platform for attendees to engage in meaningful discussions about healthcare practices and the





importance of maternal health. The insights shared by Dr. Nakaketo and the interactive nature of the session left a lasting impact on the participants, equipping them with knowledge and motivation to advocate for better health practices within their community.

The outreach event also addressed safety concerns at Gerenge Landing Site. Rotarians and police officers engaged with village heads and community members to discuss and devise solutions to various safety issues. The involvement of Officer in Charge Gerenge Village and Officer in Charge Mpala, Kateregga Francis, was instrumental in these discussions.

Topics ranged from enhancing security measures to preventing conflicts and ensuring the safety of residents, particularly women and children. By fostering open communication and collaboration

between law enforcement and the community, the event aimed to create a safer and more harmonious environment at Gerenge Landing Site.

This project successfully covered two critical areas of Rotary International's focus: Maternal and Child Health (MCH) and Peace and Conflict Prevention. The integration of healthcare initiatives with peacebuilding efforts underscores the holistic approach needed to foster sustainable community development.

By addressing both health and safety, the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Garuga demonstrated a comprehensive strategy to improve the quality of life for residents of Gerenge Landing Site. The project highlights the interconnectedness of health and security, illustrating that sustainable development can only be achieved when communities are

both healthy and safe.

The MCH outreach at Gerenge Landing Site is a testament to the power of community-driven initiatives. Through the dedicated efforts of the Rotary and Rotaract Club of Garuga, along with the support of healthcare professionals and law enforcement, the event made significant strides in improving maternal health and enhancing community safety.

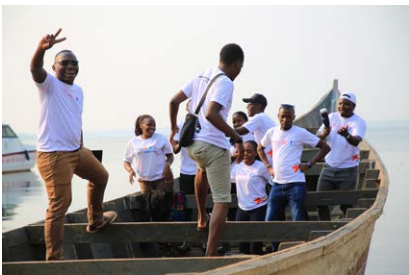
As Rotary continues to celebrate its centennial in Africa, initiatives like these serve as a beacon of hope and progress. They exemplify the positive impact that committed individuals and organizations can have on their communities, paving the way for a brighter, healthier, and safer future for all.

RTR. MIRIAM NAMATOVU

Irresistible President
Rotaract Club of Garuga



THE ISLAND IMPACT INITIATIVE: Empowering Uganda's Island Communities





Rotaract District 9214 Launches the Island Impact Initiative on Kitobo Island

Over the weekend of July 26-28, 2024, Rotaract District 9214 proudly launched its flagship project, the Island Impact Initiative, on Kitobo Island in the Kalangala District. This significant event, led by District Rotaract Representative Joseph Batter Ssengooba, mobilized over 60 Rotaractors from various clubs, who came together to provide essential medical services and donate vital supplies to the island's residents.

The Island Impact Initiative received robust support from organizations such as C Care Foundation, Eurofoam, and several Rotary clubs, including Kigo Seven Lakes golf, Kansanga, Namasuba, Seguku, and Garuga. The dedicated team of young volunteers worked tirelessly to deliver much-needed medical assistance to more than 1,300 individuals, including pregnant mothers, school-going children, and elderly residents. This outreach not only addressed immediate health concerns but also fostered a sense of community and solidarity among the islanders.

In addition to medical services, the Rotaractors distributed essential items such as mattresses, mosquito nets, and "mama kits," which are crucial for maternal health. These donations significantly improved the living conditions for many families, demonstrating the impact of collective action and community support.

DRR Joseph Ssengooba emphasized the importance of engaging youth in community service, stating, "This year, we are

committed to inspiring the youth to serve the islands and bring the magic of Rotary to life." His vision for the initiative is to empower young people to take an active role in addressing the unique challenges faced by island communities in Uganda.

The Island Impact Initiative is part of a broader commitment by Rotaract District 9214 to enhance access to healthcare, education, clean water, and economic opportunities in these underserved areas. Through collaborative efforts and tailored solutions, the project aims to create sustainable change and empower local residents to thrive.

This event marks a significant milestone in Rotaract's mission to foster community development and support vulnerable populations, showcasing the transformative power of youth-led initiatives in making a tangible difference in people's lives.

MARK KIMBUGWE
District Projects Chair





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Rotaract Club of Kairuki

Chartered in 2012, the Rotaract Club of Kairuki is based at Kairuki University in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, with around 40 members. The club aims to develop professional and leadership skills, provide opportunities for addressing community needs, and promote friendship and service among students. Open to all Kairuki University students, it boasts a diverse and dynamic membership from various academic backgrounds.

The club's activities include regular meetings, training sessions, and social events to equip members with skills within and outside the

Rotaract framework. They engage in community service projects, professional development workshops, health awareness campaigns, and environmental sustainability initiatives. The club has achieved significant milestones, such as sponsoring health insurance for over 20 children at Mikocheni Primary School, reaching over 500 students with menstrual health education programs. They have also participated in medical camps providing healthcare services to over 1000 people, conducted a mental health campaign reaching Dar es Salaam Independent School through social media, and organized women empowerment talks like the "Rise to Lead" event. The club has received multiple awards in the District Conference Assembly (DCA).

Rotaract Club of Muhimbili



The Rotaract Club of Muhimbili, established in 2013, is based at Muhimbili University in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. It is specifically for students, with approximately 15 members focusing on leadership development, professional growth, and community service. The club welcomes any Muhimbili student interested in making a positive impact, offering opportunities to develop skills such as public speaking, teamwork, communication, and leadership through regular meetings, training sessions, and social events.

The club has undertaken various activities, including a blood donation campaign, medical camps in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of Kairuki and Rotary Dar es Salaam Oyster Bay, and the End Polio campaign at Mwananyamala hospital. These activities have provided healthcare services to many and offered valuable

experiences to the members. The club has also ensured that fellowship meetings are engaging and fun by incorporating games, quizzes, and other activities to create a lively atmosphere.

Despite their dedication, the Rotaract Club of Muhimbili faces challenges such as managing membership, financial constraints, and balancing tight academic schedules with club activities. These challenges are common among young members who have ample time but limited resources. The club remains committed to overcoming these obstacles and continuing its mission of service and professional development.





Rotaract Club of Iringa

Adventina Emmanuel Grevas, the President of the Rotaract Club of Iringa for 2024/2025, has a long-standing passion for volunteering and leadership, which began in her primary and secondary school days. She served as a student advisor through TAYOA and was

affectionately known as “mama ushuri” for her guidance and support to fellow students. Her journey in Rotaract started when she met a Rotarian CEO in Iringa who inspired her to join and eventually help establish the Rotaract Club of Iringa in October 2020, officially chartered in April 2021 under the leadership of Ms. Jackline Mbwana.

Since then, Adventina has served as a member, Public Relations Officer, and now as President. Her tenure has been marked by dedicated leadership, and she credits the Rotary family in Iringa, especially the “Mother club,” for their nurturing support. Special thanks go to Past President Beatha Malauri and Past

Vice President Freeman Urio, whose guidance and energy have been instrumental in the club’s success. The club’s activities have focused on community development, professional growth, and fostering friendships.

Adventina’s journey with Rotaract Iringa has reinforced her dedication to service and community development, shaping her as a leader. She looks forward to continuing impactful work in Iringa and beyond, acknowledging the contributions of her team, club directors, and members in building a strong foundation for the club’s future.

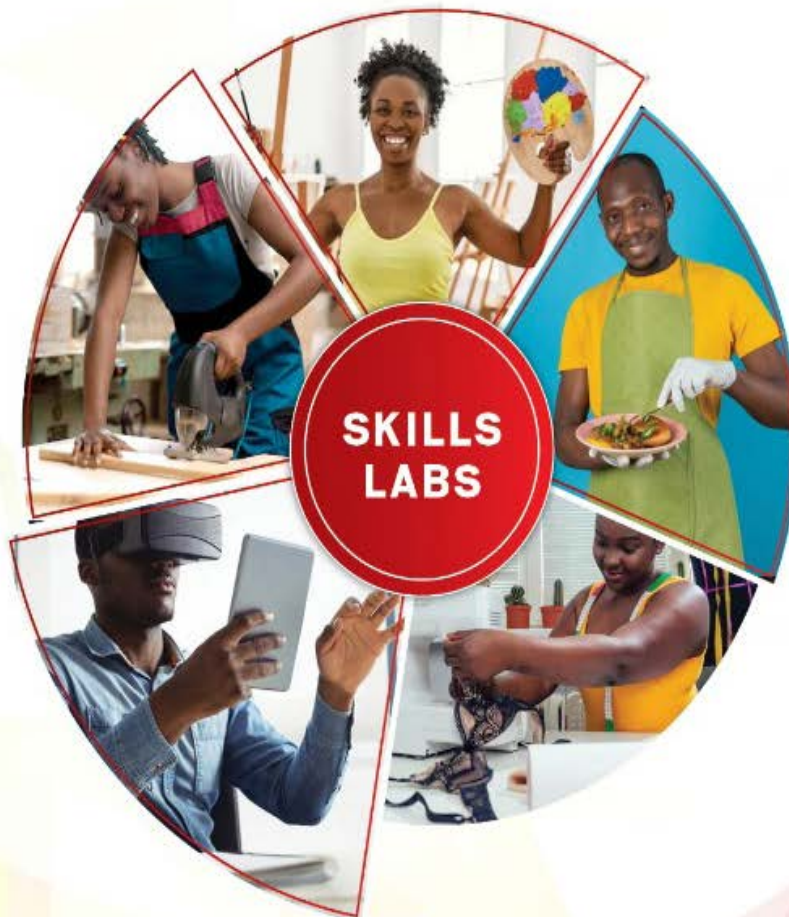
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Aniita Subira SeMfilinge, Rotaract Club of Alpha

Aniita Subira SeMfilinge is the current President of the Rotaract Club of Alpha for 2024-2025. A medical doctor by profession, Aniita's Rotaract journey began in 2018 at Hubert Kairuki Memorial University, where she was inducted as a Rotaractor in February 2019. Known for her vibrant personality and dedication, Aniita started her leadership path in the fundraising committee and later became the Fundraising Director in 2022-2023. Her tenure was marked by camaraderie, growth, and impactful projects. Transitioning from an institutional Rotaractor to a community-based one upon her graduation in 2023, Aniita found a family in the Rotaract Club of Alpha. She is deeply grateful for the opportunities, friendships, and continuous learning experiences Rotary has provided. As President, she looks forward to a magical year filled with impactful service and community engagement.



Nyeenya Josephine Nanyeenya, Rotaract Club of Jimmy Sekasi Business Institute

Nyeenya Josephine Nanyeenya is the Charter President of the Rotaract Club of Jimmy Sekasi Business Institute. Taking on the mantle of leadership for the next year, she expresses deep gratitude to the exceptional members who have entrusted her with this role. The club, founded in 2023 and chartered on May 12, 2024, has focused on establishing a robust leadership structure and effective membership recruitment and retention strategies. Under Nyeenya's guidance, the club aims to enhance leadership and professional skills among its members. This year, they plan to initiate sustainable projects, forge strong partnerships with mother clubs, and create memorable experiences for members through various retention strategies and professional learning and development (PLD) sessions. Nyeenya is committed to fostering a thriving, learning-centric environment that aligns with their goals and values.



Steven Bugembe Rotaract Club of Makindye West

Steven Bugembe is a dedicated leader with a strong background in accounting, finance, and leadership training. He offers accounting services focused on tax, management, and leadership coaching. With expertise in strategic planning, Steven excels in leadership and management. He is skilled in MCing, proposal writing, mindset training, and motivational speaking. As an entrepreneur, he runs a cotton candy and ice cream business and a branding company.

Actively involved in the Rotaract Club of Makindye West, he currently serves as the President of the club and President of President's D9214. His personal quote is, "What you see is what you get. Therefore, change is within us."



Kakihoza Akampurira, Rotaract Club of Kampala Munyonyo

Kakihoza Akampurira is the President of the Rotaract Club of Kampala Munyonyo, serving in the Legal Services classification. As a leader of the Munyonyo Elites, Kakihoza emphasizes the importance of promoting and supporting Rotaract occupations and professions. The club's mission is to enable members to expand their expertise while serving their communities and beyond. They meet every Friday at Green Valley Hotel Ggaba at 7 pm, fostering a sense of camaraderie and professional growth among members. Kakihoza is dedicated to leading initiatives that enhance professional development and community service, ensuring a dynamic and impactful Rotaract experience for all members.



Tumaini Maletho, Rotaract Club of Arusha City

Tumaini Maletho is the vibrant and multifaceted President of the Rotaract Club of Arusha City. With a bachelor's degree in Education in Arts, Tumaini balances roles as an educator, youth activist, farmer, DJ, and events planner. His diverse skills and passions reflect his commitment to youth development through socio-economic opportunities. Tumaini's journey with Rotaract has been marked by his dedication to service and community building. His vision for the club includes innovative projects like FRUIT-ARACT, which aims to promote sustainable agriculture. Tumaini believes that the journey to youth success is paved with collective actions and shared experiences, and he is committed to creating an inclusive and dynamic environment where members can thrive and make lasting impacts.



Nilant Mwalufuna, Rotaract Club of Mbeya

Nilant Mwalufuna is the President of the Rotaract Club of Mbeya for 2024-2025. With a professional background in higher education, Nilant is a dedicated and self-motivated leader. He volunteers at Mbeya Zonal Referral Hospital, working as a clinical officer and advisor on chronic diseases. Additionally, he is an educator on social reproductive health and HIV prevention programs. Nilant's vision for the club is to unite young people through the exchange of ideas and leadership development programs. His commitment to service and education drives his efforts to create impactful projects and foster a strong sense of community among members.

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Rotaract D9214 Annual Kickoff Celebration 2024-2025

The Rotaract District 9214 officially launched the year 2024-2025 with the Annual Kickoff Celebration. This grand event set the tone for the upcoming year, bringing together Rotaractors from

across Uganda and Tanzania to celebrate past achievements and outline future goals. Keynote speakers inspired the audience with their stories of service and impact, while workshops and networking sessions provided opportunities for collaboration and idea-sharing. The event culminated in a gala dinner, where members celebrated their fellowship and renewed their commitment to making a positive difference in their communities.





Plant Your Balance Initiative Tanzania Launch

Rotaract D9214 proudly launched the “Plant Your Balance” initiative in Tanzania, focusing on environmental sustainability and mental wellness. This event saw Rotaractors and community members come together to plant trees and create green spaces, fostering a healthier environment. Workshops on mental health awareness complemented the tree-planting activities, emphasizing the connection between nature and well-being. The launch was a resounding success, with participants pledging to continue their efforts in promoting environmental stewardship and mental health advocacy.





Plant Your Balance Initiative Uganda Launch

In Uganda, the “Plant Your Balance” initiative was launched with equal enthusiasm. Rotaractors gathered in Kampala for a day of tree planting, environmental education, and mental wellness workshops. The event highlighted the importance of balancing environmental conservation with personal well-being. Speakers from various fields shared insights on sustainable living and mental health, inspiring attendees to incorporate these practices into their daily lives. The initiative aims to create a lasting impact by promoting a healthier environment and a more mindful community.





Muslim Rotaractors Connect: Uganda Meet and Greet

Muslim Rotaractors in Uganda held a special Meet and Greet event, fostering unity and collaboration within the community. This gathering provided a platform for Muslim Rotaractors to share experiences, discuss challenges, and explore opportunities for joint projects. The

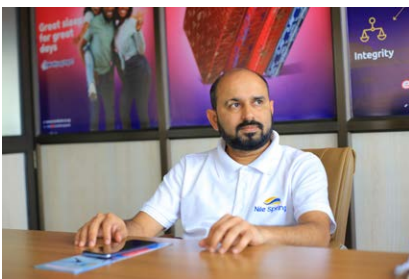
event featured guest speakers who addressed topics such as community service, leadership, and the importance of interfaith dialogue. The Meet and Greet strengthened bonds among members and reinforced the spirit of service that defines Rotaract.





Rotaract D9214 and Euroflex Partnership Launch Conference

Rotaract D9214 and Euroflex officially launched their partnership with a dynamic Pass Conference. This event marked the beginning of a collaborative effort to support youth development and vocational training. Attendees learned about the goals and benefits of the partnership, which aims to provide skills training and career opportunities for young people in the district. The conference included panel discussions, interactive sessions, and a networking reception, setting the stage for a fruitful collaboration that promises to empower the next generation.





Youth Skills Fest: Rotaract D9214 and NTV Collaboration

Rotaract D9214 joined forces with NTV to host the Youth Skills Fest, a vibrant event aimed at equipping young people with practical skills for the future. Workshops and demonstrations covered a range of topics, including digital literacy, entrepreneurship, and career planning. Participants had the chance to engage with industry experts and gain hands-on experience in various fields. The Youth Skills Fest highlighted the importance of continuous learning and skill development, encouraging attendees to pursue their passions and build successful careers.





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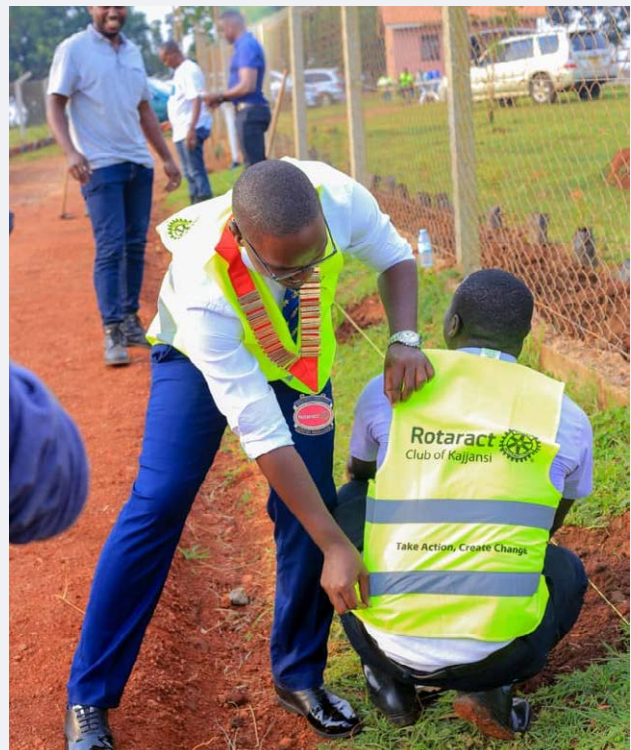
The Rotaract Club of Makindye West kicked off the official DRR's visits in the district, marking the first club visited. The visit commenced with a tree planting activity, reflecting the club's commitment to environmental conservation. This year, the club aims to plant over 1,000 trees at various locations in Makindye and beyond, demonstrating their dedication to creating a greener and more sustainable community.





Rotaract Club of Kajjansi

During our visit to the Rotaract Club of Kajjansi, we engaged in the “Plant Your Balance” campaign by planting jackfruit trees at the Rotary Vijana Poa Center in Sekiyonga. At the club assembly, the club showcased its generosity and commitment to global causes by donating \$200 to the Rotary Foundation, highlighting their active participation in Rotary’s mission.



Rotaract Club of Kyengera

The Rotaract Club of Kyengera welcomed the DRR with enthusiasm and energy. We conducted a productive board meeting where we trained board members on using Rotary Club Central, enhancing their administrative skills. At the assembly, we discussed the club's ambitious targets for the year and strategized on amplifying the final phase of their signature project, ensuring a lasting impact on the community.





Rotaract Club of Lukuli Nanganda

Our visit to the Rotaract Club of Lukuli Nanganda began with a tree planting activity on church-owned land, symbolizing their commitment to environmental stewardship. We trained board members on the use of My Rotary accounts, updated goals in Rotary Club Central, and encouraged members to contribute to the Rotary Foundation, fostering a culture of giving and growth within the club.



Rotaract Club of Victoria University

The Rotaract Club of Victoria University, being the first institution-based club visited, provided a unique experience. We toured the school premises, held a board meeting, and updated our goals in Rotary Club Central. The club's donation of \$100 to the Rotary Foundation exemplifies their dedication to supporting Rotary's global initiatives.





Rotaract Club of Kampala Muyenga Breeze

Our hybrid meeting with the Rotaract Club of Kampala Muyenga Breeze was a testament to adaptability and resilience. We discussed strategies to enhance members' engagement with the four areas of focus of Rotary International, particularly in increasing our ability to adapt. The club informed us about the upcoming launch of the Leadership Hub, which will support the district's efforts in promoting leadership growth in clubs, showcasing their innovative spirit.



Rotaract Club of Namasuba

Meeting the Rotaract Club of Namasuba on a Sunday evening was a well-attended event, with participation from clubs in both D9213 and D9214. We inducted two new members, infusing fresh energy into the club. We also set ambitious goals towards becoming a 100% giving club to the Rotary Foundation, demonstrating their commitment to contributing to Rotary's philanthropic efforts.



Rotaract Club of Masaka

The Rotaract Club of Masaka welcomed us at their skilling project at Masaka Prisons, highlighting their dedication to community empowerment. The club assembly was a grand event attended by over 70 Rotaractors from various clubs in the region. The club boasts a strong portfolio of projects, making a significant impact in the greater Masaka area, reflecting their active engagement in service.





Rotaract Club of Lyantonde

Our visit to the Rotaract Club of Lyantonde was marked by the presence of all past presidents of the club, a testament to the club's rich legacy. We discussed the need to establish more clubs in the area and the club's efforts to start Interact clubs, supporting their ongoing projects. Their commitment to expanding Rotaract's reach and impact in the community was evident, showcasing their dedication to service and growth.



Rotaract Club of Kalisizo

As the only club in the area, our visit aimed to motivate the members of the Rotaract Club of Kalisizo to keep pushing forward. We were impressed by their innovative quick impact project idea. The club is committed to having its members each donate at least \$5 to the Rotary Foundation. We encouraged them to continue working closely with their sponsor clubs to achieve greater impact and sustain their momentum.





Rotaract Club of Garuga

After completing one year of service to the community, the Rotaract Club of Garuga is steadily progressing towards growth. We began the visit with

a project at a primary school where we donated books, sets, pens, pencils, and other items to support basic education and literacy. The club has set an ambitious goal to contribute \$500 to the Rotary Foundation this year, reflecting their dedication to making a significant impact.

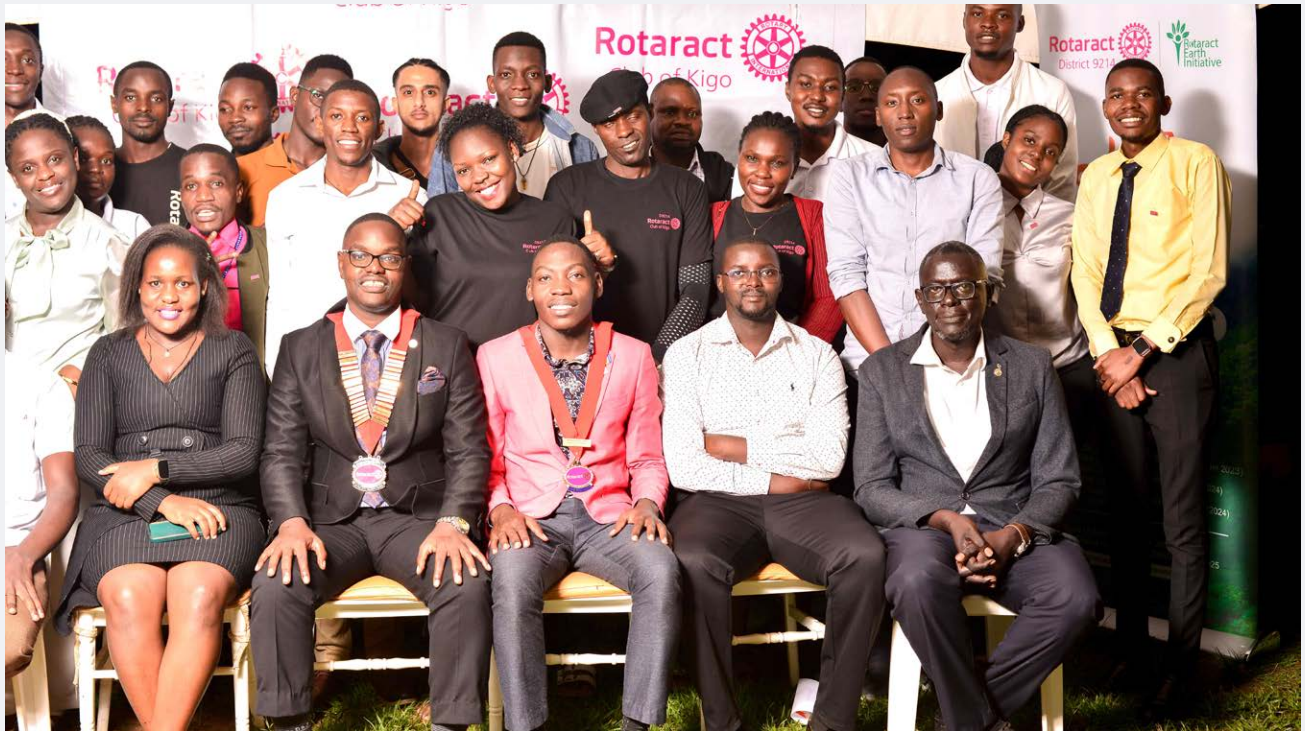




Rotaract Club of Lubowa

During our visit to the Rotaract Club of Lubowa, we conducted a SWOT analysis of the club and set goals based on its history. The club has strong plans for service projects, partnerships, and giving to the Rotary Foundation. This strategic approach will help them build on their strengths and address any challenges, ensuring their continued success.

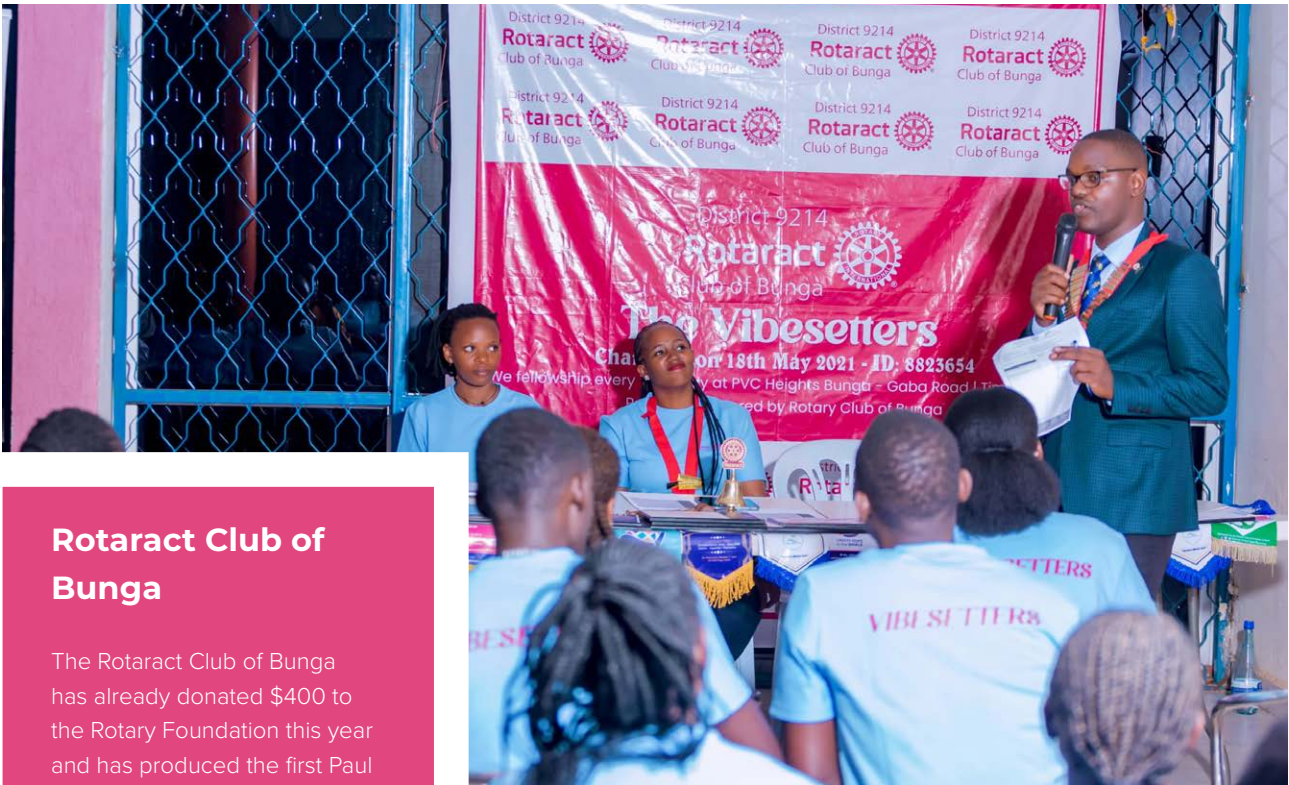




Rotaract Club of Kigo

Following their win of the Rising Star Award last year, the Rotaract Club of Kigo is once again committed to making a positive impact this year. They have already donated \$100 to the Rotary Foundation and are determined to do much more. Their signature project in Gulu is a significant step towards making a substantial impact in the community, showcasing their dedication to service and growth.





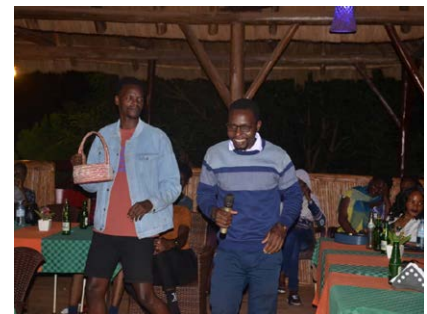
Rotaract Club of Bunga

The Rotaract Club of Bunga has already donated \$400 to the Rotary Foundation this year and has produced the first Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) for the year 2024-2025 in our district. They have successfully engaged corporate partners and are committed to reaching greater heights this year. Their proactive approach and dedication to service are truly inspiring.



Rotaract Club of Kalangala Ssebe Island

Our visit to the Rotaract Club of Kalangala Ssebe Island was held in conjunction with their signature project, the Island Impact Initiative. The DRR, along with over 30 other Rotaractors, joined the club for this impactful event. We invited the club to support this project and position themselves as the management and officers of this initiative, reinforcing their commitment to community service.





Rotaract Club of Nkumba Stewards

We concluded the month with the remarkable Rotaract Club of Nkumba Stewards. Our discussions focused on member growth, particularly targeting youth under 30, increasing contributions to the Rotary Foundation, and creating larger projects in the community. Their enthusiasm and dedication to making a difference are commendable, setting a positive example for others to follow.

Strategic Priorities , Objectives and Targets

INCREASE OUR IMPACT

- Develop and Execute Impactful Service Projects
- Enhance Collaboration with Stakeholders

- 5 GG projects approved
- 15 Multi-club projects initiated
- TRF fundraising fellowship events USD 20,000
- On board at least 10 Cooperate Partners
- Host at least Three District Fund rising Drives

EXPAND OUR REACH

- Strengthen District-wide Communication and Visibility
- Establish centers of strength to grow membership

- 300 Net growth in membership
- 30% club membership below 35.
- 10 New Clubs Created
- 50 PR postings on mass media to grow public awareness of Rotaract

ENHANCE PARTICIPANT ENGAGEMENT

- Enhance Membership Engagement and Growth
- Empower Leadership and Professional Development

- 100% new member retention rate
- 15k volunteer hours in service
- 50% club members engaged in service
- 30% clubs with 3 or more professional programs
- 200 Rotaractors in Business Networks

INCREASE OUR ABILITY TO ADAPT

- Encourage creative solutions to make Rotaract Future-fit and relevant
- Foster Collaborative Relationships with Rotary

- 50 Rotary/Rotaract joint projects
- 50% clubs maintaining virtual/hybrid meetings
- 50% District leadership below age 30



What we have set out to do this year?

- ✓ Implement 4 District signature projects throughout the year. (REI, RPPF, RBELI, RII)
- ✓ Organize 3 Health and Wellness Clinics (HWC) in Underserved Areas.
- ✓ Allocate \$25,000 in funding specifically designated for District Rotaract Grants.
- ✓ Establish a Strategic Partnerships position within the district team.



IMPACT

- ✓ Create a District New Members Mentorship Program.
- ✓ Initiate an online talk show to bolster our member recruitment efforts.
- ✓ Create a Community Ambassador Program to have members actively promote Rotaract.



REACH

- ✓ Conduct 2 District Membership Satisfaction Surveys
- ✓ Organize 3 quarterly Celebrating events
- ✓ Use the DRR's Visits to acknowledge and celebrate member achievements.
- ✓ Offer ongoing learning opportunities to boost members' skills and foster personal and professional growth.



ENGAGE


- ✓ Bridge the gap between the District & Club Leaders
- ✓ Foster a culture that values and encourages innovation and creative thinking.
- ✓ Leverage external expertise for a smooth transition and successful implementation of new tools or systems.






ADAPT





DRR's Big Agenda 2024 – 2025




- P** Promote Membership Engagement and Growth
- A** Achieve Impactful Service Projects
- C** Cultivate Leadership and Professional Development
- E** Enhance Communication and Visibility
- D** Develop Collaborative Relationships








Project 30-Plus: Increasing Rotaract Membership




Project 30-Plus is a strategic initiative aimed at enhancing club memberships to a level of 30 or more dedicated members per club. It's a multifaceted approach focused on **recruitment**, **engagement**, and **retention** strategies to ensure the sustained growth and vibrancy of Rotaract clubs.

Through targeted outreach, fostering a sense of community, and implementing impactful projects, Project 30-Plus endeavors to strengthen the Rotaract network and amplify its positive impact within local communities and beyond.

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