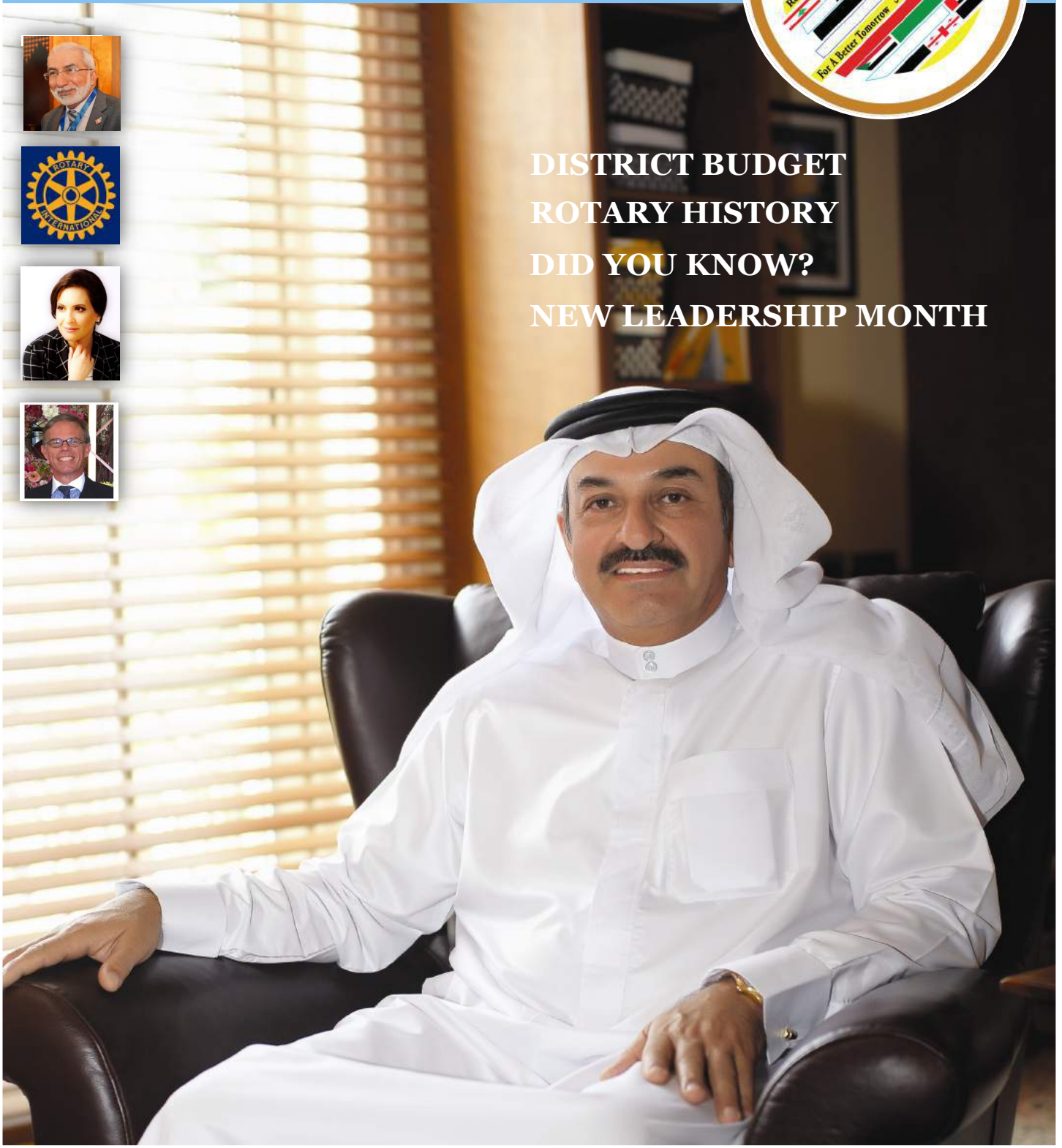


DISTRICT 2452 NEWSLETTER



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NEW LEADERSHIP MONTH**



RI President's message July 2020

Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors, and friends,

This does not seem like a time for great optimism, but it has to be. Long before Rotary was founded, the world dealt with great crises that tested humankind's ability to progress and endure. In the age of Rotary, the world has faced many more catastrophes; however, we have survived, and every step of the way, Rotary has helped the world heal.

Every great challenge is an opportunity for renewal and growth. I revealed the theme of Rotary Opens Opportunities at the International Assembly in San Diego just as the COVID-19 crisis was beginning, but these are words that I have believed for many years.

Rotary is not just a club that you join; it is an invitation to endless opportunities. We believe in creating opportunities for others and for ourselves. We believe that our acts of service, large and small, generate opportunities for people who need our help, and that Rotary opens opportunities for us to live a richer, more meaningful life, with friends around the world, based on our core values.

Governments and institutions are gaining a greater appreciation for the types of public health partnerships that are critical to our work. People stuck at home, eager for greater connections and hungry to help their communities, are now embracing the values we have promoted since our beginning.

All of this is positive news, but just because there are greater opportunities than ever for Rotary to thrive does not guarantee that we will succeed. The world is changing rapidly — and was doing so even before this crisis. People were starting to move away from regular lunch meetings and toward online gatherings. Friendships were being cultivated and revived in social media relationships even before most of our meetings moved to Zoom and Skype.



Holger Knaack
President, Rotary International
RY 2020-2021

Younger generations have a strong desire to serve — but have questioned whether they could play a meaningful role in organizations like Rotary or whether they might make a bigger impact forming different types of connections. Now is the time to put everything on the table, test new approaches, and prepare Rotary for the future.

The COVID-19 crisis has forced all of us to adapt. This is good, and our new Action Plan specifically calls on us to improve our ability to adapt. But adaptation is not enough. We need to change, and change dramatically, if we are to face the challenges of this new age and provide the Rotary that the world so desperately needs.

This is our great challenge, not just in the next year but into the future. It is up to us to remake Rotary for these new times — to wholeheartedly embrace the ideas, energy, and commitment of young people eager to find an outlet for idealism. We must become an organization fully enmeshed in the digital age, not one that simply looks for online ways to keep doing what we have always done.

The world needs Rotary now more than ever. It is up to us to make sure that Rotary Opens Opportunities for generations to come.

DISTRICT GOVERNOR MESSAGE

Let me start by thanking our outgoing District Governor Shawkat Tadros for the year 2019-2020.

DG Shawkat has faced a very difficult year with the onset of Covid-19 during part of his term. Despite that, a heroic effort has been exerted by all concerned to overcome the obstacles faced and I hope we will be able to continue to work together to complete what has been started and to accomplish the Goals we have set for ourselves to do for this coming year 2020-2021. The first and most important point I would like to make is that, although I am the DG for this year 2020-2021, the outcome of my work will only be as good as the Team that is working with me here in Bahrain, to whom I am truly thankful. It will also depend on the input and cooperation of you all, the Rotarians in my District 2452. We are a unique District covering 9 countries spanning over 3



Continents, which gives us a unique diversity which is always considered to be greatly beneficial to our line of service. The myriad of ideas, perspectives, and experiences that you will bring to our meetings and discussions will be very useful for all our countries. Let me summarize to you our Goals and hope we can work together to achieve them. With our motto for the year” For A Better Tomorrow”: Let us

- Start by enhancing smooth administration between clubs in the District that seek to improve themselves, by providing the support needed such as advice, ideas to encourage activities, membership development and funds, all in spirit of comradeship.
- Ensure Effective and Informative Communication between the District office and the Clubs by working on a dynamic website and magazine.
- Act on strengthening the Rotary Foundation by working on ideas and opportunities to raise funds to support TRF and DDF, apply for Grants and support the Polio Plus program.
- Encourage the youth of Society to participate in the activities of the Clubs and get the Clubs to be interested and supportive of Youth programs and activities.
- Diversify the Service Projects to encompass issues of relevance like water sanitation, not forgetting the fight against poverty and hunger. At this unprecedented time, helping provide funds for needy developing countries that are still fighting Covid-19 might be also be of relevance.
- Work on the Rotary's Public Image by working closely with the Media and Government organizations to clarify our goals and help in our fund gathering activities.

Let us hope we will be able to fulfill some of these goals and I am counting on your help and cooperation in the spirit of “Service Above Self”. Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.”

Let's work together, for a better tomorrow

Mazen Alumran
District Governor 2020-2021

New Leadership Month

ALmutanabbi on Rotary

Okay, he wasn't a Rotarian, and didn't know what Rotary is. In fact, there was no Rotary when, & where, he was around. He was born in 915 A.D, about 1000 years before Paul Harris started Rotary in 1905 A.D! .. But he did have something to say about leadership, which may be relevant even today, especially since we are in New Leadership Month, and we have new presidents, and a governor, rubbing their hands to get going as "Leaders". He said that leadership is "hard work" and had it not been so, everybody would have become a leader. And explains; Generosity impoverishes, and the front line is lethal. He wasn't talking about Rotary, admittedly, and it does sound better in Arabic;

لولا المشقة ساد الناس كلهم الجود يفتقر والإقدام قتال

I am glad we have an Arabic speaking club now in Bahrain, who don't need my above translation, which I've added for our friends in the non-Arabic speaking countries, and the non-Arabic speaking Rotarians in Arab countries. Oh, and also for the Bahraini 'chicken nuggets' as they call themselves!! What do we do if we can't afford generosity, dear Mutanabbi? Some may ask.

And he said;

لا خيل عندك تهديها ولا مال فليسعد النطق إن لم تُسعد الحال

And without google translate, this says; If you have no horse or money to gift, please through utterance, if your circumstances aren't pleasing. Sounds better in Arabic, I know! So, Be nice. & have a good year!!



Vice Governor
PDG Emad Almoayed



JOIN LEADERS
EXCHANGE IDEAS
TAKE ACTION

In our community and throughout the world

WHO WE ARE – Overview about Rotary

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbors, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Solving real problems takes real commitment and vision. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on sustainable projects. From literacy and peace to water and health, we are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end. Learn more about our structure and our foundation and our strategic vision.

What we do

Rotary members believe that we have a shared responsibility to take action on our world's most persistent issues. Our 35,000+ clubs work together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene

Our mission

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business,

WE ARE PEOPLE OF ACTION



Rotary connect passionate people with diverse perspectives to exchange ideas, forge lifelong friendships, and, above all, take action to change the world



WE ARE PROBLEM-SOLVERS

Together, we apply our professional experience and personal commitment to tackle our communities' most persistent problems, finding new, effective ways to enhance health, stability, and prosperity across the globe.



WE ARE OPPORTUNITY-CREATORS

Rotary members look for opportunities to improve our communities today and invest in the next generation for tomorrow.



WE ARE COMMUNITY-

We collaborate with community leaders who want to get to work on projects that have a real, lasting impact on people's lives.

*Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves.
Paul Harris - Rotary founder*

The roots of Rotary’s polio eradication efforts

On 29 September 1979, volunteers administered drops of oral polio vaccine to children at a health center in Guadalupe Viejo, Makati, Philippines. The event in metropolitan Manila was arranged and attended by Rotarians and delegates from the Philippine Ministry of Health.

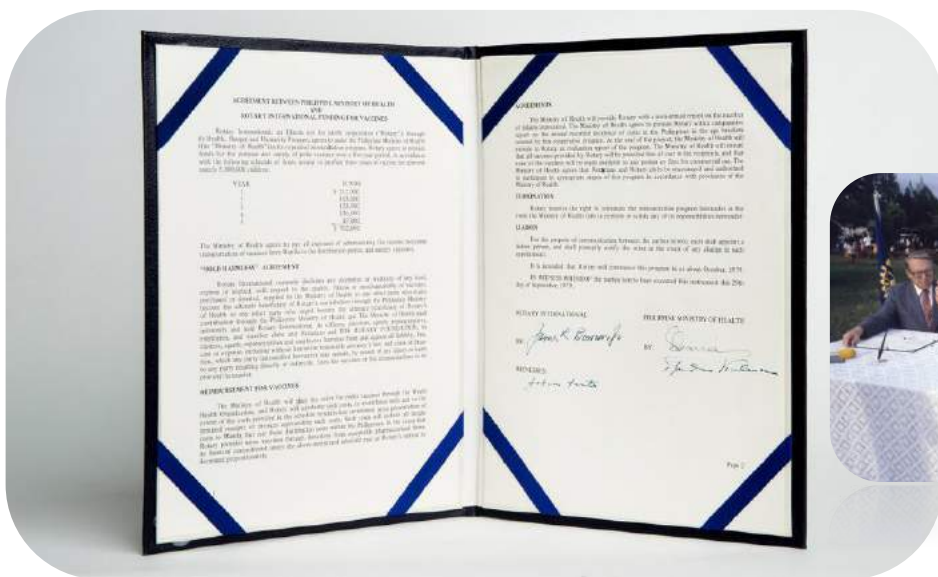
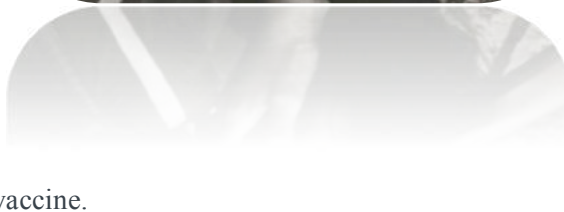
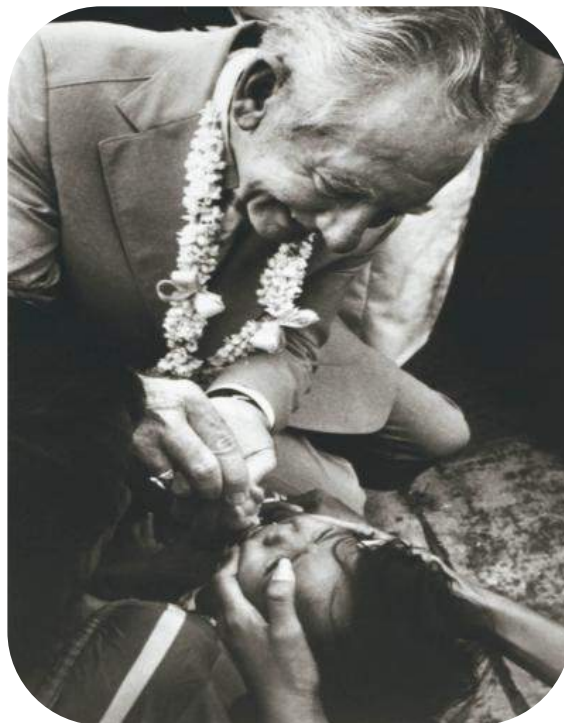
When James L. Bomar Jr., then RI president, put the first drops of vaccine into a child’s mouth, he ceremonially launched the Philippine poliomyelitis immunization effort. Rotary’s first Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grant project was underway.

Bomar and Enrique M. Garcia, the country’s minister of health, had earlier signed an agreement committing Rotary International and the government of the Philippines to a joint multiyear effort to immunize about 6 million children against polio, at a cost of about \$760,000.

In a 1993 interview, Bomar reminisced about the trip. He recalled how the brother of one of the children he had immunized tugged on his pant leg to get his attention and said, “Thank you, thank you, Rotary.”

The project’s success led Rotary to make polio eradication a top priority. Rotary launched PolioPlus in 1985 and was a founding member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988. Through decades of commitment and work by Rotary and our partners, more than 2.5 billion children have received the oral polio vaccine.

The 1979 agreement between Rotary International and the Philippine Ministry of Health for a joint multi-year effort to immunize children against polio.



ROTARY HISTORY

Rotary's two official mottoes

Arthur Frederick Sheldon, the Rotarian whose convention speech inspired Rotary's secondary motto, One Profits Most Who Serves Best Service Above Self and One Profits Most Who Serves Best, Rotary's official mottoes, can be traced back to the early days of the organization.

In 1911, the second Rotary convention, in Portland, Oregon, USA, approved He Profits Most Who Serves Best as the Rotary motto. The wording was adapted from a speech that Rotarian Arthur Frederick Sheldon delivered to the first convention, held in Chicago the previous year. Sheldon declared that "only the science of right conduct toward others pays. Business is the science of human services. He profits most who serves his fellows best."

The Portland gathering also inspired the motto Service Above Self. During an outing on the Columbia River, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, talked with Seattle Rotarian J.E. Pinkham about the proper way to organize a Rotary club, offering the principle his club had adopted: Service, Not Self. Pinkham invited Rotary founder Paul Harris, who also was on the trip, to join their conversation.



Arthur Frederick Sheldon, the Rotarian whose convention speech inspired Rotary's secondary motto, One Profits Most Who Serves Best



A name badge from the 1928 Rotary International Convention features Rotary's mottoes

Harris asked Collins to address the convention, and the phrase Service, Not Self was met with great enthusiasm. At the 1950 Rotary International Convention in Detroit, Michigan, USA, two slogans were formally approved as the official mottoes of Rotary: He Profits Most Who Serves Best and Service Above Self. The 1989 Council on Legislation established Service Above Self as the principal motto of Rotary because it best conveys the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service. He Profits Most Who Serves Best was modified to They Profit Most Who Serve Best in 2004 and to its current wording, One Profits Most Who Serves Best, in 2010.

ROTARY HISTORY

The start of Rotary in South America

Rotary extended its reach to South America when the Rotary Club of Montevideo, Uruguay, was chartered on 1 February 1919. Rotarians had been interested in expanding to South America as early as 1916, and had focused on Argentina, Brazil, and Chile. But the first club was instead chartered in Uruguay, thanks to the efforts of Herbert P. Coates. Coates, a native of England, had lived in South America for many years.

He became acquainted with Rotary while on a business trip to Cincinnati, Ohio, USA, in 1916. He found that many businessmen in the city were busy with the Rotary Convention taking place there. Intrigued, he arranged to visit Rotary headquarters and asked about starting a club in Uruguay.

Coates returned to Montevideo with approval to start a club, and his work led to an organizational meeting in July 1918. That December, he and 21 other charter members submitted the club's formal application to Rotary. Coates later helped start a club in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and served as a special commissioner for expanding Rotary in South America.

Rotary founder Paul Harris described Coates as instrumental in spreading Rotary to and throughout the continent. Rotarians there agreed and referred to Coates, whom they called Don Heriberto, as the “Father of Rotary in South America.”



District Budget

Each Club President has received on Tuesday 9 June 2020 from DGE Mazen Alumran an mail about the so called District Budget, which requires approval before the start of Mazen’s term. By the time of reading, I expect that the approval from the District has been given.



District Treasurer
PP Robert Timmers

In this newsletter I will talk about this budget.

Simply spoken there is money going in (income) and going out (expenditure).

The income is 2 fold: USD 28 levy per member and USD 15,000 which is an amount from the incumbent DG which allows the DGE to get started with some financial support (the so called Rolling Seed Fund). The same amount is also an expense as the DG will transfer this to the new DGE.

Regarding the levy: Each member pays an annual membership. For example in our Rotary Club of Manama is BHD 80 (around USD 212). An amount of USD 28 goes to the District and USD 40 goes to Rotary International. The remaining is used to run the club.

The USD 28 multiplies by around 2050 Rotarians in District 2452 gives us USD 57,400 as Income. We need to pay everything from this USD 57,400.

So what are our expenses: we have to run a secretariat (USD 10k), the District Team Training Seminar (already conducted in Feb 2020 in Bahrain; USD 20k), awards (5k), more training (we increased this number compared to previous years as we found this is one of the key areas where a District plays its role; 14k), the District website (2k), public image (3k) and some bank costs and contingencies (3,4k). Total: USD 57,400. If there is any money left (less expenses than income), the DG will donate this to a project in the district.

No surprise to you but the expenses will always be there and it is therefore crucial that clubs do pay their dues timely, for which my thanks. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via **robert.timmers.office@gmail.com**
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ROTARY



Rotary Still Making History

With every project, we’re changing the world for the better. The following stories trace our evolution as an organization through historical documents, artifacts, and images that show the people and events that shaped Rotary.



Did You Know about? The District Governor

The Rotary district governor performs a very significant function in the world of Rotary.

He or she is the single officer of Rotary International in their geographic area, called a Rotary district, which usually includes about 45 Rotary clubs. The 528 district governors, who have been extensively trained at the worldwide International Assembly, provide the "quality control" for over 30,000 Rotary clubs of the world. They are responsible for maintaining high performance within the clubs of their district. The district governor, who must make an official visit to each club in his district, is never regarded as an "inspector general." Rather, he visits as a helpful and friendly adviser to the club officers, as a useful counselor to further the Object of Rotary among the clubs of his district, and as a catalyst to help strengthen the programs of Rotary.



Rtn. Lamees AlHassar
Chairperson
District 2542 Conference - 2021

The district governor is a very experienced Rotarian who generously devotes a year of their life to the volunteer task of leadership. The governor has a wealth of knowledge about current Rotary programs, purposes, policies and goals. He or she is a person of recognized high standing in their profession, community and Rotary club. They must supervise the organization of new clubs and strengthen existing ones.

They perform a host of specific duties to assure that the quality of Rotary does not falter in their district. They are responsible to promote and implement all programs and activities of the Rotary International president and the R.I. Board of Directors. The governor plans and directs a district conference and other special events. Each district governor performs a very important role in the worldwide operations of Rotary. The district governor is truly a prime example of Service Above Self performing a labor of love.

DG Mazen Alumran is the governor of our District 2452 for the year 2020-2021. Our District is very unique it includes 9 countries spread in 3 continents. Lebanon, Cyprus, Jordan, Sudan, Bahrain, UAE, Georgia, Armenia and Palestine And in my personal opinion, District Governor Mazen Alumran is truly a prime example of Service Above Self performing a labor of love.

**Did you know.....Rotary is made up of three parts:
our clubs, Rotary International, and The Rotary
Foundation. Together, we work to make lasting
change in our communities and around the world.**

HOW OUR MEMBERSHIP WORKS

Membership in a Rotary club is by invitation only. We want to make sure you join a club that best fits your passion and perspective. We can connect you with a club that's right for you and make it easy to get involved and on your way to membership immediately.

1. You express interest

Let us know a little about yourself and what you're looking for in a club. We'll find the local clubs in your area and let them know you're interested.

2. Rotary matches you with a club

Based on your preferences and interests, Rotary leaders in your community will match you with the local club that fits you best.

3. A local club contacts you

A Rotary club member will contact you by email or phone to discuss your interest in Rotary. You'll be invited to get to know the club better by attending a club meeting, a social event, or even to join in on a service project as a volunteer.

4. The club invites you to join

Now that you and a local club have spent some time together and determined that you're a good fit for each other, you will be invited to join. Each club has its own ways of welcoming new members; they may hold a ceremony for you.

5. You're a member!

Enjoy getting involved in your new club as a Rotary member. Join a committee. Lead a service project. Organize a social event. Lead and contribute to your new club.



Welcome to the District Newsletter

2020 is full of surprises and with it comes the promise of great District year full of growth and positive change. As part of our own public relations expansion and growth, we're excited to launch our District 2452 first newsletter, which is specifically designed to help our members succeed in their rotary journey.



We have promised our District leadership to publish a monthly newsletter in the hopes that you will find great value in its content and it will help you in your own goals to grow and thrive. If you ever find what we offer is not for you, simply notify our team by communicating with us via the contact at the bottom of this page.

With each passing year, the world experience a new change, economies rise and fall, children grow and age (adults stay the same age, of course), and the Internet... in truth witnesses the most change of all, and Rotary still making history.

So, what do all these changes mean for you, your life and your businesses and how in the world we can keep up?

For one, you don't have to monitor those changes around you. The world will do it for you. Second... even though the world is changing, the bottom line remains the same: **Successful life is about people doing the best they can for other people.**

This newsletter is simply a tool, and it's our job to help you use it in the best way possible. Share your articles with us, and we promise to publish them in our newsletters.

Together we'll make this District year the best year ever.

Rtn Khalid AlQoud
Public Image & PR Country Chairs – RY 2020-2021

District 2452 – Rotary International

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