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Rotary
District 2452



Each One

Bring One



District 2452 Governor's Monthly letter



Dear Rotary Family, once again I am excited to send you greetings from my wife Emma and myself!

My club visits have started. Although I miss being there in person, it has been a real pleasure to visit them virtually. The amount of service projects the clubs are doing, even with the government's restrictions, is impressive. They are finding ways to serve their communities' needs and are eager for more ideas. What a great district!

I believe that the clubs I visited so early in the Rotary Year were happy because of the input and interaction during the meetings. The reason the club visits are so early is to grant the District Governor an opportunity to communicate and listen to the members, and to gain a better understanding of the planned projects of clubs. Furthermore, it is to inspire club leaders, members; to update them with the latest Rotary activities and plans; and motivate them to participate and contribute more in Rotary actions, since we are People of Action.

Our Rotary District 2452 brand is riding high on the waves of change, supported by our core values of fellowship, integrity, diversity, service and leadership, as we hold a steady course with com-

mon purpose.

August is Membership and Club Development Month, a time to focus on and appreciate your members, and celebrate their contributions. Building on the momentum that we achieved in 2020-2021, and with an eye firmly fixed on our membership, we are inspired by the opportunities for growth that are achievable. We have seen that together we can create sustainable change as we harness the energy of our multinational District to focus on common causes.

Since our strategy is to create new channels in Rotary, we are examining the creation of new club models such as: hybrid clubs and cause-based clubs. Additionally, we will build on the success of the four new clubs which were already chartered in our District and several others which are in progress.

We will also continue to build on the relationship that has been developed with our Rotaractors in order to grasp the countless opportunities for collaboration and sharing of knowledge as true partners within the Rotary family.

We have provided, and will continue to provide, starting from September 2021, training programs with prominent speakers every month. Never in our history has access to knowledge been so easy. The true internationality of Rotary is now more eye-catching than ever. Surely it will now be easier to attract new prospective members with the opportunities available to us to showcase Rotary.

My dear fellow Rotarians, let us serve to change lives, provide value to our members and grow ourselves and Rotary.

Remember that each act of kindness is cumulative in our personal growth..

God bless you all!

Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta



As we focus on membership in Rotary this month, I ask you to help make history this year. For more than 20 years, our membership has stood at 1.2 million. Rotary is a vibrant organization with a 116-year history, members in more than 220 countries and geographic areas, and a rich legacy of work in polio eradication and other humanitarian programs. Rotary has changed so much in our own lives and the lives of others. *As we Serve to Change Lives, don't you think Rotary could have an even greater impact on the world if more people were practicing Service Above Self?*

My vision is to increase Rotary membership to 1.3 million by July 2022, and the call to action is simple: Each One, Bring One. This year, I want every Rotarian and Rotaractor to introduce a new person into their club.

We are a membership organization, and members are our greatest asset. You are the ones who contribute so generously to The Rotary Foundation. You are the ones who dream big to bring good into the world through meaningful projects. And of course, you are the ones who have put the world on the brink of eradicating polio.

As we make membership a priority this year, let us focus on diversity by reaching out to younger people and especially to women. Every club should celebrate its new members, and every Rotarian who sponsors a member will be personally recognized by me. And those who are successful in bringing in 25 or more members will be part of our new Membership Society.

Even as we share the gift of Rotary with others, let us be sure to engage these new members, because an engaged Rotarian is an asset forever. And remember that engaging our current members and keeping them in our clubs is just as important as bringing in newcomers. Let us also be ready to form new clubs, especially flexible ones. I am very bullish on clubs that hold virtual or hybrid meetings, and satellite clubs and cause-based clubs can also be very effective ways of growing Rotary.

As you grow more, you will be able to do more. Let us keep empowering girls through our work in each of the areas of focus. Scholarships for girls, toilets in schools, health and hygiene education — there is so much we can do. Projects focused on the environment are also attracting interest the world over. Do participate in these projects locally and internationally to make this world a better place for us and for all species.

Each of you is a Rotary brand ambassador, and all of the wonderful work done by Rotarians around the world needs to be shared outside the Rotary community.

Finally, I'm challenging every club, during the coming year, to plan at least one Rotary Day of Service that will bring together volunteers from inside and outside Rotary and will celebrate and showcase the work of your club in your community. Visit rotary.org to find out more about all of these initiatives, along with other ways to

Serve to Change Lives.

Rotary International News



Gordon R. McInally, a member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, Lothian, Scotland, will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested.

McInally lauded Rotary's ability to adapt technologically during the COVID-19 pandemic, saying the approach should continue and be combined with the best of our past practices as Rotary seeks to grow and increase engagement.

"We have learned there is a willingness within communities to care for one another," he says, "and we must ensure that we encourage people who have recently embraced the concept of volunteering to join us to allow them to continue giving service."

McInally says that senior leaders' ability to communicate directly with club members online will be one positive legacy of the changes Rotary has had to make. But, he adds, "face-to-face meetings remain important, as they encourage greater interaction." The best way to increase membership is en-

gagement, according to McInally. To better support clubs, he says, Rotary International, regional leaders, and district teams all need to engage with them. Engagement through social media will reinforce Rotary's brand and showcase the opportunities that come with it. And, he says, engagement with governments, corporations, and other organizations will lead to meaningful partnerships.

With better engagement, McInally says, "We will grow Rotary both by way of membership and in our ability to provide meaningful service."

He adds, "Membership is the lifeblood of our organization. I would encourage the use of the flexibility now available to establish new-style clubs that would appeal to a different demographic."

McInally, a graduate of dental surgery at the University of Dundee, owned and operated his own dental practice in Edinburgh. He was the chair of the British Paedodontic Society and has held various academic positions. He has also served as a Presbytery elder, chair of Queensferry Parish Congregational Board, and commissioner to the church's general assembly.

A Rotary member since 1984, McInally has been president and vice president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. He has also served Rotary International as a director and as member or chair of several committees. He is currently an adviser to the 2022 Houston Convention Committee and vice chair of the Operations Review Committee.

McInally and his wife, Heather, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation. They are also members of the Bequest Society.

Membership Development & Extension Committee Chair Message



Fellow Rotarians,

Dear Friends,

Trusting that by now, all clubs have already started working on their plans set for this Rotary year 2021-2022 by sharing their vision with their respective communities, despite the current global situation that the world is facing, marked with challenges, hardship, pandemic and crisis.

August is known to be the Membership Development month. It is up to each one of you, as members in our Rotary family, to work on achieving Rotary International and District 2452 goal to increase membership in our clubs.

Rotary is the world's oldest service club organization. As Rotarians, we form a global network of business and professional leaders, volunteering our time and talents to serve our communities and the world. Most of us are convinced that no leader is sufficient unto himself. No man can carry a whole community. No country can carry the world around. We sometimes expect too much of our leaders and too little of ourselves...The truth is that each of us should assume his part.

It is up to us, to invite people with common interests,

and common love to service above self. People who enjoy Rotary, who believe in the object of Rotary, who would strengthen Rotary as an international force and who would advance the work of Rotary. People whom we are privileged and obligated to share Rotary with.

Even though, my friends, we are faced with many difficulties, especially the Covid-19 pandemic which imposes social distancing, mask wearing, virtual meetings, checking personal circumstances and health issues when we consider travelling and participation in events,

Even though there are difficulties in our multicultural district, nevertheless it is the same reason that makes us special and what makes our District a unique District belonging to rotary International.

Let's hope to see significant achievements for our future, to continue this year's program and to help where it is needed. So let us all:

1. Share Rotary by adding new members
2. Share Rotary by adding new clubs
3. Enjoy Rotary Fellowship
4. Discover and serve the needs of our communities

Yours in Rotary

Membership Development & Extension Committee Chair District 2452

PDG Farid Gebran



August is Membership & New Club Development Month

August is Membership and New Club Development Month, when Rotary Clubs around the world focus on membership in Rotary. Does your club have a plan? Are you executing your own plan to invite your friends and business associates to join your Rotary Club? President Shekhar says "Each One, Bring One". It's time. Time to celebrate your Rotary club, your members, and the good you do in your community and around the world. Tell everyone and ask them to join.

There are many ways to join in the celebration, but here are a few activities to get you started:

We Are Rotary. Using the hashtag #WeAreRotary, post photos to Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, or Vine of your club members at work in your community or abroad to show how Rotary makes a positive impact in the world. Making a difference. Rotary clubs are known for the high-impact service projects they undertake locally and globally. Share stories about your service projects and how they improve lives on Rotary Showcase. Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to see what Rotary members around the world are doing to celebrate Membership Month.

What does Rotary mean to you? Rotary members have pushed polio to the brink of eradication, delivered clean water to those in need, improved their local communities, provided scholarships to the next generation of peacemakers, and continued to do good in the world.

At the beginning of a new Rotary Year what better of a booming start for our District 2452?



*District 2452 International Service Committee Chair
PP David Gibson-Moore*

We are glad to announce that District 2452 International Service Committee Chair PP David Gibson-Moore, RC Dubai Cosmopolitan, has been appointed by RIPP Ravi Ravindran as a member of the COVID-19 Task Force representing the Middle East.



Say it loud, say it proud! Let everyone in your social network know that you are a proud member by changing your Twitter and Facebook profile to the I'm a Proud Member, I'm a Proud Rotaractor, or I am a Proud Interactor graphic. Copy and save the graphic as your profile picture for August.

Exchange ideas. Do you have successful membership strategies that have worked well in your community? Share them on the Membership Best Practices Discussion Group.

The Membership Minute

Ideas for strengthening membership

August is Membership and New Club Development Month, a time to recognize our members and the incredible work they do locally and globally. In 2021, many Rotarians around the world are working together to curb the pandemic through vaccination drives. After a long year of uncertainty, hope is on the horizon.



Membership Month is a great time to introduce friends and colleagues to the family of Rotary. Here are just a few ideas on how to attract new members and keep them engaged: Learn about [strategies for attracting new members](#) in this online course in the Learning Center. (A My Rotary account is required.) The [course](#) highlights ways to interest prospective members and showcase your club's strengths.

Because of the pandemic, many clubs have started meeting exclusively online. The [Engaging Online Meetings page](#) has many useful tips and stories on virtual engagement. Take the [Best Practices for Engaging Members](#) online course to develop strategies for engaging people at all stages of membership.

Is your club healthy? Find out by taking [this online course](#), which will help your club improve its member experience, service and social events, public image, and club operations. And don't forget to address your club's challenges! Answer a few questions in the [Club Planning Assistant](#) to get solutions that are tailored to the issues you are facing. Find more membership resources in My Rotary.

Introducing the Membership Society for New Member Sponsors

Rotary recently announced a new recognition program called the Membership Society for New Member Sponsors, to recognize members who demonstrate extraordinary commitment to sharing the gift of Rotary with others.

A new [virtual gallery](#) on My Rotary honors members who have sponsored a total of 25 or more new members.

Engaging Your Club's New Members

At the beginning of each Rotary year, many clubs welcome new members. Because members are most likely to leave Rotary in their first few years of membership, it's important to engage them right away. Pair them with a Rotary mentor, learn about their interests, and involve them in club activities. To complement your efforts, Rotary will send a series of email messages to members in their first year to tell them about opportunities to get involved in Rotary beyond their clubs. The messages will mention resources such as Rotary Basics and include information about Rotary Fellowships, Rotary Action Groups, and The Rotary Foundation. Together, let's make sure members have a fulfilling Rotary experience!

Rotary Adopts New Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement.

To ensure that our organization values and lives the principles of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), the RI Board of Directors, with guidance from the DEI Task Force, strengthened the organization's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement. Read the [updated commitment](#) and learn more about our efforts to ingrain diversity, equity, and inclusion into our culture to improve the membership experience for current and future Rotarians, Rotaractors, and the family of Rotary.

MEMBERSHIP DATA

Our worldwide membership is 1,177,842 (This represents growth of 15,079 above the 1 July start figure and 8,074 below the same period last year).

To find the membership report by zone and district for the month ended 31 July 2021, please click on the following link:

[Comparison to Start Figures: July 2021](#)

The Rotary Foundation

Our Impact on Education

The Rotary Foundation supports education through scholarships, donations, and service projects around the world.

500 adults raised their reading levels by three grades in Detroit

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Rotary members make amazing things happen, like:

Opening schools: In Afghanistan, Rotary members opened a girls' school to break the cycle of poverty and social imbalance.

Teaching adults to read: Rotary members in the United States partnered with ProLiteracy Detroit to recruit and train tutors after a study showed that more than half of the local adult population was functionally illiterate.



New teaching methods: The SOUNDS program in South Africa, Puerto Rico and the United States teaches educators how to improve literacy by teach-

ing children to recognize letters by sounds instead of names.

Making schools healthy: Rotarians are providing clean, fresh water to every public school in Lebanon so students can be healthier and get a better education.

Enhancing educational systems: In Kenya, Rotary clubs are working with the Global Partnership for Education and local and national governments to advance life-long learning opportunities for poor and marginalized children. Learn more.

When you teach somebody how to read, they have that for a lifetime. It ripples through the community, one by one.

Mark Wilson

Rotary Club member

Help spread the word about Rotary's efforts to support education

What can you do to support education and bring literacy to everyone?

[MAKE A DONATION](#)



Useful



Important Funding Changes

The Trustees of the Rotary Foundation has recently made some decisions that will have a significant impact on the Grants program

Effective July 1, 2020, the Rotary Foundation will not match Club cash contributions to a Global Grant. They will still match DDF dollar for dollar. As the requirements for Global Grants must still have a budget of USD30,000 and a request from the World Fund of USD15,000, this means that every Global Grant project must have at least USD15,000 in its financing. It may be an exaggeration to say that Club cash becomes irrelevant in a Global Grant project, but reality is that projects that don't receive at least USD15,000 of DDF won't qualify for Global Grants. Previously, a project that received USD10,000 of DDF could meet the USD 15,000 hurdle by adding at least USD10,000 of Club cash to the project. It is probably too early to say how this will affect the allocation of available DDF among Districts.

For the last ten years, there has been a requirement that at least 30% of the financing of a Global Grant project must come from outside the Home District. The reason for this rule has been to encourage cooperation between Club and Districts in different parts of the world. As of July 1, 2020, the minimum percentage of funding from outside the Host District will be lowered to 15%. Time will tell if this will change how Districts use their DDF, eligible



to apply for grants from July 1, 2022. e.g. if more Districts will look at doing Global Grants in their own District.

In the June 2020 meeting, the Trustees of the Rotary Foundation decided that Rotaract Clubs will be

Club Qualification

As hopefully every Rotarian in the District knows, Clubs that want to apply for District or Global Grants must be qualified. Two members of the Club must take the on-line training provided by the District. In addition, the Club must sign an MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) with the District. The MOU specifies how Clubs should handle grant funds, responsibilities and how Clubs must store documents related to grant pro-



MISSION CONTROL: "Activate Launch Sequence"

2022 Rotary International Convention in Houston has been cleared for takeoff 4-8, June. We invite you and your organization to join nearly 30,000 global attendees to build awareness and generate leads at the live event in Houston.

With a wide range of sponsorship possibilities, both onsite and virtual, our hope is that you join us next year to discover new and unique ways to engage the Rotary community.

2022 Rotary International Convention, 4-8 June

[Begin Your Journey](#)



**A multi-zone Institute will take place 14th – 19th
September 2021 in Prague with Rotarian Leaders
and Rotarians from 8 European Zones, from over
104 districts!
Registration is open now!**

[REGISTER NOW](#)



District Rotaract Representative & Rotaract Chair Message



Today we fold an exceptional year and welcome the new year 2021-2022 with so many new realities. Let's consider it a new opportunity to start a chapter where we GROW STRONGER on district level, where we build upon the many success stories and learnings.

Nevertheless, we won't be able to do it unless we get out of our comfort zone and capitalize on the privilege of having each other.

Here in Rotaract, we work together because that is how we achieve. We leverage our contributions to do more together than we ever could do alone. This is reflected in the heart which symbolizes our unity, it is shaped by the 9 borders of the district countries.

To that I believe that we not only need fearless leadership but also fearless partnerships. And it is only when we strengthen the bonds between the 9 countries of our District, we will be able to Grow Stronger Together which is our theme for the year to come.

Rotaractly yours
 Yasmina El Assi
 District Rotaract Representative & Rotaract Chair
 2021-2022

Multi District Conference

MEDICON CYPRUS 2021

In May 2021 Cyprus hosted together the Mediterranean and District 2452 Annual Conventions for international participants that spent 3 days in Cyprus, learning about the local culture, history and beautiful sights while getting together with the purpose to discuss peacebuilding initiatives internationally and network while having fun.



The long-awaited event was hosted in hybrid setup to enable International Rotaractors to attend in person should the travel restrictions and health safety protocols enable them to travel to Cyprus but also for our participants to not miss out on such a great event even if that means attending virtually.

We kicked off the conference with the Opening Ceremony on Thursday, 20 th May where DG Mazen Al Umran made the opening address virtually to welcome all our international guests to our district. We discovered different tastes of our region and the Mediterranean during the Country Booths where each participating country proudly showcased their flags and served their local delicacies.

The conference program included the 10 th Mediterranean Peace Forum which addressed topics of "Fostering Peace And Health Amidst And Post The Pandemic", "Gender Inclusive Participation In The Peace Process" and "Building Peace And Stability Through Sustainable Development".

The closing of the Convention took place during the final Gala Dinner which brought us together to celebrate all the outstanding projects of the year as we presented the Rotaract District 2452 Awards as well as MED Awards together.

Message from District Interact Committee Chair



Dear Rotarians and Interactors,

I am honoured to have the opportunity to serve our multi-national and multi-cultural district within the role of the District Interact Committee Chair. We are committed to empowering our Interactors to grow and increase their impact in the communities. Our Action Plan for the year includes training for new members (Interact Basics), PETS (President-Elect Training Seminar) and CATS (Club Assembly Training Seminar) in addition to sessions on project planning, community needs assessments and digital marketing.

Our vision is to create a platform for Interactors of our district to interact more often amongst them but also give them a voice and opportunity to shape their experience. In the light of this vision, we will soon be announcing the steps to the formation of the Interact District Council (IDC) which will be led by our District Interact Representative (DIR) who will be elected by the Interactors.

If any Rotary clubs would like to sponsor an Interact club, get in touch with your Interact Country Chair which can guide you, support you and provide all necessary Resources which we have prepared for you. We encourage all Rotary clubs that are sponsoring Interact Clubs already to reach out for updates, training materials as well as resources that we have prepared to help advance existing clubs.

Find out how serious leadership can be seriously fun as we Serve to Change Lives.

Rotarian Regards

Jelena Cvetkovic

At a Glance

<p>Lebanon Interact Club Aley Interact Club Batroun Interact Club Beirut Cedars Interact Club Beirut Cosmopolitan Interact Club Beirut Metropolitan Interact Club Koura Interact Club Saida Interact Club Tripoli Elmina Interact Club Tripoli-Maarad Interact Club <u>Zgharta-Zawieh</u></p>	<p>Cyprus Interact Club Kyrenia St. Hilarion ESK Interact Club Limassol-Berengaria Cosmopolitan Interact Club Limassol-Kourion Interact Club Nicosia-Aspelia-The American International School in Cyprus Interact Club The American Academy (Larnaca-Kition)</p>
<p>Bahrain Interact Club Bahrain School (Manama) Interact Club New Vision School (Adliya) Interact Club St Christopher's School (Adliya)</p>	<p>United Arab Emirates Interact Club DESC (Jumeirah-Dubai) Interact Club Dubai (Dubai) Interact Club Dubai International Academy (Jumeirah-Dubai)</p>

Rotary International District 2452 currently is privileged to have 21 Interact Clubs (10 Clubs in Lebanon, 5 Clubs in Cyprus, 3 Clubs in Bahrain and 3 Clubs in United Arab Emirates) while this number will soon be growing as we charter new



HAPPY CHARTER DAY ROTARY CLUB



*We sincerely congratulate below mentioned clubs
with their Charter Days.*

Go ahead, go stronger.

*RC Adilya 04 August 1994
RC Baadba 10 Aug 1998
RC Beirut Cadmos 14 Aug 2015
RC Lau Byblos 06 Aug 2009
RC Nicosia 22 Aug 1938
RC Yerevan 24 Aug 2000*

District 2452 Clubs' News

Rotary Club of Amman – Petra (RCA Petra) signed a strategic cooperation Memorandum of Understanding, MOU, with the Jordanian Hashemite Fund for Human Development (JOHUD) for future joint programming in support of vulnerable communities in Jordan, with a focus on Jordan Valley areas.



In addition to developing children's clubs owned and managed by JOHUD, the two parties will be exploring other areas of focus important to both, especially in the fields of education and income generating activities that support women and youth.



The two parties have already started developing their first children's club in Al-Joufeh area in the Jordan Valley which is expected to be operational in September.

Signatories of the MOU were our President, Husain Mango of RCA Petra, while the Senior Project's Manager, Dina Ala' AIDin, signed on behalf of JOHUD.

Rotary Club Tripoli Maarad

RC Tripoli Maarad distributed to Dar Al Ajaza Tripoli Social Services Association Social Services Association

1- Medical Walker 2- Gloves 3- Food

Thank you to:

- The Strong Foundation Canada
- Canadian donors
- Rotary Club Beirut Cedars



They also have Rotarian visitors from Prague on the same day!! PDG Irena Brichta and Stuart Amesbury both members of Rotary club Prague International.

They are also members of Disaster Aid Europe and main partners in Rosary Hospital- Beirut Global Grant. After a brief touristic visit in Tripoli, they joined us to deliver the donations to Dar Al Ajaza association and to see the projects done by the Rotarians there. Dental clinic Equipment for the Physiotherapy center...



This is the magic of ROTARY!

RC Tripoli Maarad received 10 boxes of baby milk (1-3 yrs) and distributed them to Sanabel Al Nour association in Tripoli.



Thank you to :

- Lebanese Club in Santiago
- Lebanese community in Chilly
- Rotary Club de Beyrouth

Rotary Club of Amman CAPITAL

Recontinue it's signature project of Free Dental Care in cooperation with volunteering PP Dr Samuel Kakish which was launched in 2015 after a Covid cease period of eighteen months.

Today July 26th,2021 President Mai Omaish and fellow Rotarians Abdallah Odwan and Suhail Farran followed the first session of Free Dental Care where less fortunate patients were hosted to be treated free twice a month on a club campaign



Rotary Club of Amman CAPITAL President Mai Omaish in cooperation with the President of Society of Road Accident Prevention PP Wafai Mseis, led today July 24th, 2021 the



Rotary Club of Amman CAPITAL in its first Environmental campaign of Keep Jordan Clean for the RY2021/2022 in the premises of a playground and picnic garden in Amman where members and friends contributed to environment preservice attributing to Rotary International Seventh Area of Focus "Preserve Environment". This continuous Capital project is the seventh contribution to the Jordanian community was offered.

The Amman CAPITAL was launched in 2015 and kept on going on yearly basis till these days except for the COVID lockdown months

Rotary Club of Manama

07 July 2021 (Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain): Stemming from its solid commitment to support purposeful social development initiatives, the Rotary Club of Manama (RCM), recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Bahrain Society for Children with Behavioural and Communication Difficulties (BSCBCD) to sponsor its vocational training programme that is aimed to develop the skills of children with autism.



Rotary Club of Salmaniya

1.Organized a month long awareness campaign of plastics pollution called "Green July".

-The first stage was RCS members taking photos of themselves using reusable water bottles, reusable masks and any other reusable or sustainable alternative materials and posting on their social media account and hashtagging #GreenJulyRCS.

-The Second stage was RCS members collecting their plastic bottles during the Eid holidays (21st - 23rd July) rather than disposing of them. This is to

The Rotary Club of Salmaniya organized a three-day workshop for the Bahrain Deaf Society on the 25th-27th of July. Day one was a painting session taught by Past President Seema Baqi, day two was mosaic art instructed by Rotarian Reham, and day three was a clay art workshop by a friend of the club Salah Bushiheri. On the final day, the Bahrain Deaf Society Chairman Aqeel Ali thanked the Rotary Club of Salmaniya President Faisal Juma and the team for organizing the workshop where all members benefited and enjoyed their participation.

Rotarian response to the biggest and deadliest ever fire in Cyprus.



On the 3rd of July 2021, a huge fire broke out in the hilly area of villages Odou, Melini and Ora (foothills of Troodos Mountains) destroying 55sq kms of fertile land; claiming the lives of four persons, destroying vegetation, trees, houses, businesses and causing substantial damage to the environment.

There was a call for immediate assistance to help the inhabitants of the area and support the fire-fighting efforts with basic food needs and water.

Our DDG Peter Ashdjian amassed a team of Rotarians from a number of Cyprus Rotary Clubs and presented themselves to the designated location delivering food and water.

The Government responded with immediate financial assistance and pledges for additional help.

Cyprus Rotary is coordinating efforts to collect funds to follow up its contribution to the disaster area through meeting specific needs of the inhabitants. As a result of the fire around 2,000 bee hives have been burned and over 10 million bees died as well as 250 tons of honey burned.



demonstrate the amount of waste is produced in one holiday alone.

Stage three is to drop the plastic bottles to the Bahrain Association for Parents and Friends of the Disabled who will in-turn sell them to a recycling facility and use the money to buy specialised wheelchairs for extreme cases of disabilities

The Rotary Club of Salmaniya members participated in food distribution to workers on construction sites in the Juffair area in Bahrain. The RC Salmaniya members joined forces with local volunteer groups Saturday Biryani Party and Bahrain Drag.





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RC Kyrenia St. Hilarion distributed meat packages to 20 needy families in Kyrenia by contacting Social Services on 17 July 2021. This is a traditional project that we do as a club every year, Feast of Sacrifice(EidAlAdha).

RC Beirut Cedars & #Skaff take the initiative

For just LBP2M you can sponsor 1 week of cleaning. Let's keep our city waters free from rubbish.



RC Tyre Europa President Dr Hazem el Khalil offered Nissaa Jabal Aamel children milk, masks, disinfectant..



Beirut Civil Defense HQ gets power through a PhotoVoltaic system partially funded by Rotary Beirut Cedars.



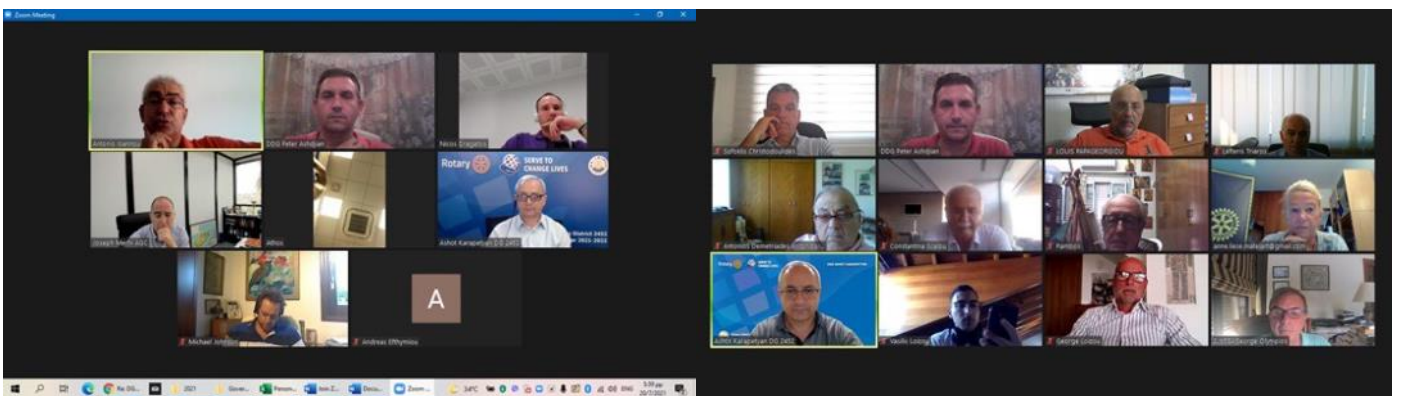
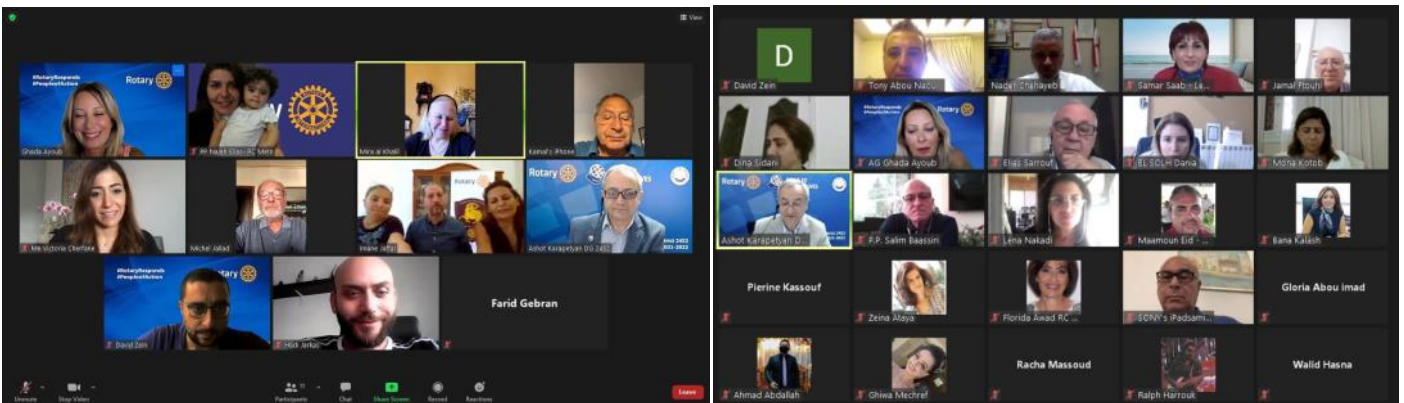
District Governor's Visit

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The presidents of the clubs are sharing their plans and projects for the year.

DG is presenting <Our Year Together>.





**HAPPY
ISLAMIC NEW YEAR**

*Dear Rotarian Friends Celebrating,
Happy Islamic New Year!
May Peace fill all the empty spaces around us. May Happiness*



Editor's Call;

Do you want your insights/learning materials/ story to be highlighted on the District Newsletter?

**Send it to us !
Email: marjan@marjanspace.com**