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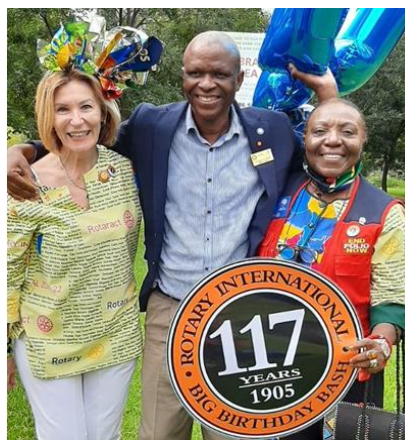
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Message from the District Governor: Dr Stella Anyangwe

Fellow Rotarians, Rotaractors and Friends of Rotary, happy February, the month of love and of Rotary! We celebrated the 117th anniversary of the founding of Rotary (23rd February), and showcased what Rotary is all about: Service above Self, even as we serve to change lives! We are happy that we've got articles and photographs of how Rotary clubs celebrated this anniversary.

Some good news and some sad news too. Membership is growing well, and several clubs have made great strides at inducting new members. Bravo to these clubs, and more grease to our collective

elbows! There is also hope for increasing the giving to the Rotary Foundation, after the visit to D9400 (Pretoria and Johannesburg) of PDG Eric Kimani, Endowment and Major Gifts Adviser (EMGA) for Region 28 of Rotary Zone 22. Many thanks to PDG Jankees Sligcher, DRFC, for inviting PDG Eric, and we look forward to the fruits that the visit produced. The latest piece of good news this month is my appointment by RI to the post of End Polio Now Coordinator (EPNC) for Region 28 of Zone 22, from 1st July 2022, for a three-year term. I have humbly accepted the appointment, and I look forward to the moral, technical and financial support of all Rotarians towards our fight to End Polio.



PDG Annemarie Mostert, DGND 2024/2025
Dr George Senosha and DG Stella Anyangwe

The resurgence of a case of wild poliovirus infection in Malawi is cause for concern for the entire Region, and we all must support Rotary and partners to crush that resurgence and to prevent it from spreading. Giving to PolioPlus is a vital necessity now, more than ever before.

On a sad note, D9400 sadly mourns the tragic loss of Prof Martin Rupiya, member of the E-club of Southern Africa, and ARCoM trainer who passed away in Zambia earlier this month. He will be sorely missed in the Peace and Conflict Resolution area of focus. We also lost Rtn Malcolm Wishart of RC Ermelo Phoenix this month, and our deepest sympathies go to his club and family.

The Maputo Presidential Conference will take place on 4th-5th March 2022, and we look forward to a successful conference. I am still encouraging D9400 Rotarians and Rotaractors to attend en masse, to meet RI President Shekhar Mehta and several Rotary Leaders who are attending this very first Presidential Conference to be held in a Lusophone African country.

Mensagem Da Governadora Do Distrito: Dr Stella Anyangwe

Companheiros Rotários, Rotaractors e Amigos do Rotary: Feliz Fevereiro, o mês do amor e do Rotary! Celebrámos o 117º aniversário da fundação do Rotary, e mostramos tudo o que o Rotary é: Dar de Si Antes de Pensar em Si, até mesmo porque servimos para mudar vidas! Estamos felizes porque recebemos artigos e fotografias de como os clubes Rotários celebraram este aniversário.

Ha boas novas e também algumas tristes. O número de membros está a aumentar bem e vários clubes fizeram grandes avanços e induziram novos membros. Bravo a esses clubes, e colectivamente mais músculos

para os nossos braços. Há esperança de se aumentar a doação à Rotária depois da visita ao D9400 (Pretória e Johannesburg) do PDG Eric Kimani, Conselheiro para as Benfeitorias e Grandes Doações da Região 28 da Zona 22. Muito obrigada ao PDG Jankees Sligcher, DRFR, por ter convidado o PDG Eric, e esperamos que a visita produza frutos. O último pedaço de boas notícias deste mês é a minha nomeação pelo RI para o posto de Coordenador de Acabar com Pólio Agora (CAPA) na Região 28 da Zona 22, a partir do 1º de Julho de 2022, por um período de três anos. Humildemente aceitei a nomeação e conto com o apoio moral, técnico e financeiro dos Rotários na nossa luta para acabar com a Pólio.

O reaparecimento de um caso de infecção por pólio vírus selvagem no Malawi é motivo de preocupação para toda a Região, e todos devemos apoiar o Rotary e parceiros para aniquilar esta resurgência e prevenir que se dissemine. Dar para a PolioPlus é agora, mais do que nunca, uma necessidade vital.

Triste notícia é que o D9400 lamenta a trágica morte do Prof Martin Rupiya, membro do E-club da África Austral e formador do ARCoM que faleceu no início deste mês na Zâmbia. A sua falta será profundamente sentida na área foco de Paz e Resolução de Conflitos. Este mês também perdemos o Rotário Malcolm Wishart do RC Ermelo Phoenix e as nossas profundas condolências vão para o seu clube e sua família.

A Conferência Presidencial de Maputo terá lugar de 4 a 5 de Março de 2022 e auguramos uma conferência de sucesso. Ainda estou a encorajar Rotários e Rotaractors a participarem massivamente, para encontrarem o Presidente do RI Shekhar Mehta e vários líderes Rotários que irão participar na primeiríssima Conferência Presidencial realizada num país Lusófono Africano.

The International Assembly has taken place with RI President-Elect, Jennifer Jones, and her team of trainers preparing DGEs for the Rotary year 2022-23. District Governor-Elect, Koekie Makunyane-Quashie, and the District team of trainers have started with the training of Assistant Governors (AGs) and District Committee Chairs, using the “Imagine Rotary” theme for the next Rotary year. The training of club presidents and other club officers (PETS/POETS) will take place in March and April. The new District Rotary Foundation Chair, PDG Martin Forsyth-Thompson, has started his tenure. We wish him the very best as he steers the ship of Foundation, the backbone of Rotary Service.



DG Stella and Carl Anyangwe

Remember to get vaccinated against COVID-19 and to continue with the COVID-prevention measures of social distancing, mask wearing and hand washing. It is our moral and social duty to do so, to protect ourselves and others. It is the truth; it is fair to all concerned; it will build goodwill and better friendships; it is beneficial to all concerned. Let's live our 4-way Test.

Lembrem-se de ser vacinados contra o COVID 19 e em continuar com as medidas de prevenção de distanciamento social, uso de máscara e lavagem das mãos. É nossa obrigação moral e social fazê-lo, para nos protegermos e aos outros. É a verdade; é justo para todos os interessados; irá criar boa vontade e melhores amizades; será benéfico para todos os interessados. Vamos viver segundo a Prova Quádrupla.

A Assembleia Internacional teve lugar, com a Presidente Eleita do RI, Jennifer Jones e a sua equipa de formadores a preparar os DGEs para o ano Rotário 2022-23. A Governadora do Distrito Eleita, Koekie Makunyane-Quashie e equipa Distrital de Formadores começou a formação dos Governadores Assistentes (AGs) e dos Presidentes dos Comitês distritais, usando “Imagine o Rotary”, tema do próximo ano Rotário. A formação dos Presidentes dos Clubes e outros oficiais de clubes (PETS/POETS) terá lugar em Março e Abril. O novo Presidente da Fundação Rotária Distrital, Martin Forsyth-Thompson, já iniciou a sua actividade. Desejamos-lhe o melhor na sua missão de dirigir a Fundação, o pilar do Serviço Rotário.

MARCH is WATER & SANITATION MONTH

Providing clean water is one of Rotary's areas of focus and so the Theme for the month of March is “Water & Sanitation”. Clean water is a basic need for human beings. When people, especially children, have access to clean water, they live healthier and more productive lives. However, at least 3,000 children die each day from diseases caused by unsafe water, which is what motivates our members to build wells, install rainwater harvesting systems, and teach community members how to maintain new infrastructure.

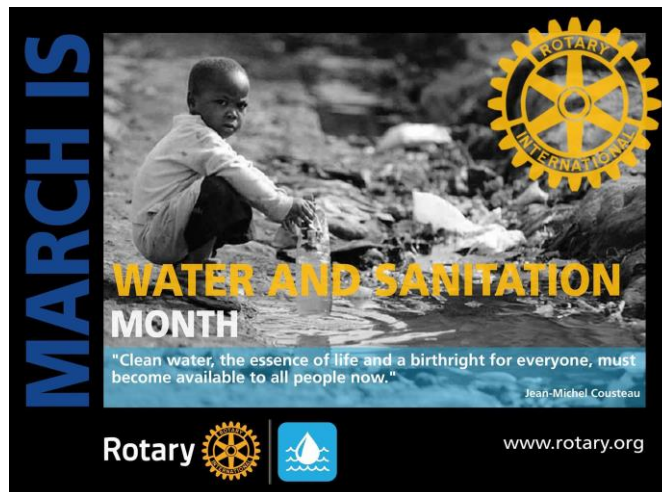
While very few people die of thirst, millions die from preventable waterborne diseases, providing the impetus for our members to also improve sanitation facilities in undeveloped countries. Members start by providing toilets and latrines that flush into a sewer or safe enclosure and then add education programs to promote hand-washing and other good hygiene habits.

From the various water projects in which Rotary has participated, we have come to know the obstacles that many people across the globe face when it comes to some of the basic necessities of life. We tend to take for granted the clean and generally safe and plentiful water sources to which we have access.

Rotary International, through the combined actions of individual Rotarians and Rotary Clubs, seeks to assure that all people have adequate access to clean and safe water. The Rotary theme for March, [Water and Sanitation](#), asks us to focus on the life changing improvements that we can make through these international projects to provide a more readily available and healthy supply of water to all people.

The problem is not that the world will run out of water (that amount is fixed through evaporation and re-condensation). The problem is the unequal distribution of water and the lack of universal proper sanitary practices to assure safe water for drinking. While some regions and peoples are certainly at greater risk than others and deserving of greater attention, we have seen recently that no population is free from concern. Water and sanitation issues will certainly continue to be an area of focus for RI and deserving of our attention as Rotarians. Consider the recent problems in South Africa, first in Cape Town and now also in Gqeberha (Port Elizabeth).

Rotary is dedicated to seven areas of focus to build international relationships, improve lives, and create a better world to support our peace efforts and end polio forever. [Water and Sanitation](#) is one of those seven areas of focus.

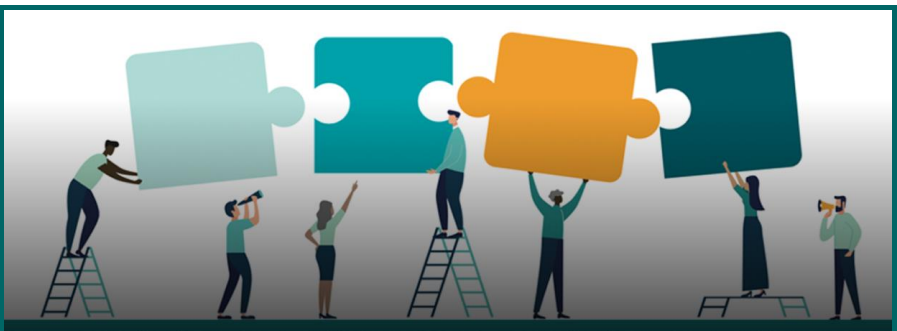


Rest in Peace Prof Martin Rupiya

Rotarian and friend, Prof Martin Rupiya, passed away on Saturday 12 February, in Zambia. He was a member of E-Club of Southern Africa, and facilitator of our ARCoM Peace Fellows. May his soul rest in eternal peace.

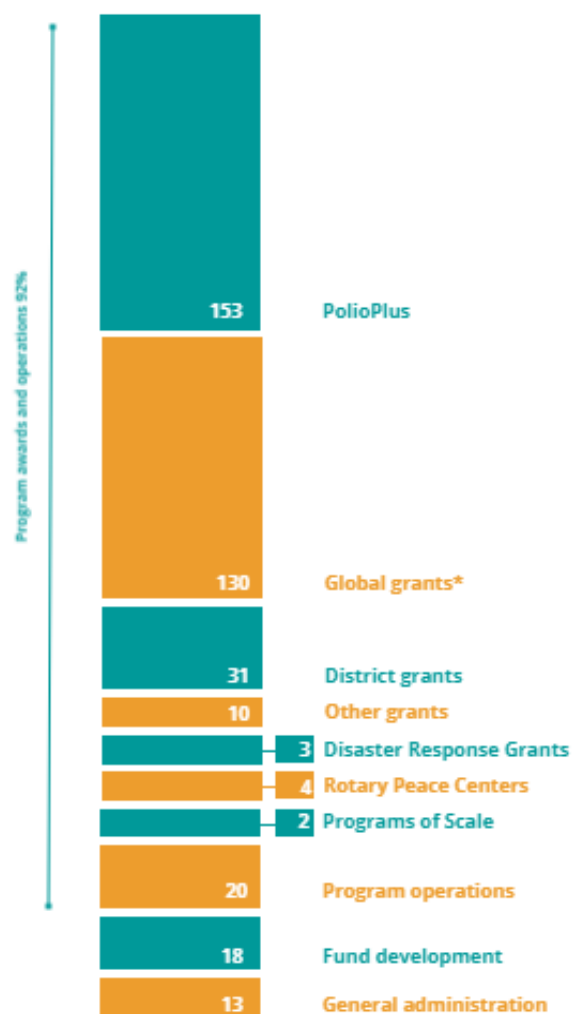


ANNUAL REPORT 2021



Holger Knaack, 2020-21 RI President and K.R. Ravindran, 2020-21 Trustee Chair of The Rotary Foundation have released the 2021 Annual Report. During the past Rotary year, we confronted turbulence all around us — a global pandemic, natural disasters, food insecurity — and used it as an opportunity to take care of one another, to personally adapt to and embrace these changing times, and to bring about lasting change for the people we serve. The challenges we all face are ongoing and the need to adapt will continue. But we can be proud of the fact that Rotary has not shrunk from this moment. We have embraced our role as people of action in difficult times.

The Rotary Foundation Expenditures: \$384 million



Rotary achieved remarkable successes in the past year which include:

- celebrating the [declaration of the WHO's African region](#) (all 47 countries) as free of the wild poliovirus
- introducing Partners for a Malaria-Free Zambia as the first \$2 million Programs of Scale grant recipient. This evidence-based program aims to reduce malaria in 10 target areas over the next three and a half years, bringing health care to 1.3 million Zambians.
- adding the [environment](#) as a new area of focus. Rotary members can direct donations to this area and apply for global grant funding to address the effects of climate change and environmental degradation.
- re-envisioning the Rotary Peace Centers certificate program while also welcoming students to the first [Rotary Peace Center in Africa](#). These Rotary Peace Fellows at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, began a year-long certificate program in peacebuilding, conflict resolution, and leadership development. The peace center at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand, also now offers a year-long certificate program. The Otto and Fran Walter Foundation [pledged](#) \$15.5 million to The Rotary Foundation to fund a new peace center in the Middle East or North Africa that will focus on peacebuilding and development in the region.
- We set a fundraising record for The Rotary Foundation, raising more than \$440.9 million in 2020-21. But even more important than the headlines we earned is that we reached out to each other and showed the kind of care that defines us as a network of global friendship.
- Rotary worked with partner organizations to provide [learning opportunities](#) for members and program participants. Toastmasters International produced an eight-course leadership and communication series to help members hone such skills as speechwriting and public speaking. And the National Youth Leadership Council provided material for new service-learning courses that teach our youngest participants how to address the causes of community issues, inspiring a lifelong commitment to service among these future leaders.
- Rotary members used their decades of experience in the fight against polio to [support](#) local health authorities' response to COVID-19. Members volunteered at clinics, combated misinformation, helped prevent the spread of the virus, and advocated for fair and equal access to vaccines.

In the coming years, we have the opportunity to increase our impact, expand our reach, enhance participant engagement, and increase our ability to adapt — as long as we continue to build on our [Action Plan](#) progress. The world today needs help bringing this pandemic to a close, reconnecting with each other in meaningful ways, and rebuilding the kind of trust necessary to restore global stability and establish a foundation of peace. This is our time. Together, let us make the most of it.

Read more [2021 Annual Report | Rotary International](#)



Rotary Action Group for Peace starts petition for Ukraine



There are over 50 Rotary Clubs and 24 Rotaract clubs in Ukraine. While we hope for peace and safety for all Ukrainians, we extend a special hope for the safety of all Rotarians, Rotaractors and their families at this time.

The [Rotary Action Group for Peace](#), which represents Rotarians of all nations and ethnicities, has started a petition against the Russian invasion. The Rotary Action Group for Peace reminds Rotarians that we all share one language, and that is the language of peace. We do not support violence and war as a solution to conflict and differences.

The Rotary Action Group for Peace invites you to add your name in support of this statement. If you haven't signed this petition yet, Ukraine is asking us to sign [Change.org/p/rotarians-say-no-to-war](https://change.org/p/rotarians-say-no-to-war).



"At the end of the war, leaders shake hands. The mother waits for her son, the wife waits for her husband, the daughter waits for her father. I do not know who started the war, but I do know who paid the price."

The national animal of Ukraine is the **nightingale**, and its national plant is the **sunflower**

Wild polio strikes in Malawi

... polio anywhere is a threat to children everywhere ...

Africa was declared free of indigenous wild polio in August 2020 after eliminating all forms of wild polio from the region. But now the health authorities in Malawi have declared an outbreak of wild poliovirus type 1 after a case was detected in a young child in the capital Lilongwe. This is the first case of wild poliovirus in Africa in more than five years.

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) and Rotary International have [confirmed](#) that laboratory analysis shows the strain detected in a paralyzed child in Malawi is linked to the one that has been circulating in Sindh Province in Pakistan.

Although genetically linked to virus that circulated in Pakistan, it is an imported case from Pakistan. This detection does not affect the World Health Organization African Region's wild poliovirus-free certification status. Polio remains endemic in Afghanistan and Pakistan.



It is more than three decades since Rotary launched its PolioPlus program and formed the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI).

The GPEI is supporting health authorities in Malawi to conduct a thorough assessment of the situation and begin urgent immunization and surveillance activities to mitigate any risk of spread.

The last case of wild polio virus in Africa was identified in northern Nigeria in 2016 and globally there were only five cases in 2021. Any case of wild poliovirus is a significant event and all resources are being mobilized to support the country's response.



New **ENDPOLIONOW** Coordinator

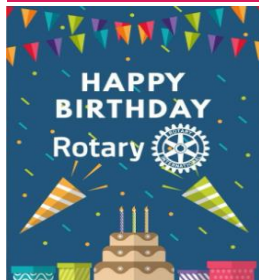


DG Stella Anyangwe has been appointed the EndPolioNow Coordinator (EPNC) for Region 28 (7 Districts) of RI Zone 22, from 1 July 2022. It is a 3-year term during which the EPNC works with RI and other EPNCs towards ending polio worldwide, and feeds back information to the Region for appropriate action. The appointment has been made by PRIP Ian Riseley, the incoming Rotary Foundation Chair.

DG Stella looks forward to the full support of D9400, especially now that a wild poliovirus infection has surfaced in neighbouring D9210 (Malawi). If Africa is to remain wild poliovirus free, ALL OF US must support the fight to End Polio by donating to PolioPlus/EndPolioNow, to ensure that polio vaccination continues in all countries of Africa. If one country has polio, all countries are at risk! The world IS a global village interlinked by air travel.

Rotary's 117th birthday

The Sun Never Sets in Rotary



The Sun Never Sets in Rotary on Wednesday, the 23rd of February, was a 24-hour global virtual event to celebrate Rotary's 117th birthday. Zambia handed the baton to D9400 where IPP Grace Van Zyl and Thembi Madalane interviewed four project champions from District 9400. Some 35 countries participated in this event to showcase their projects.

It was also an amazing opportunity to tell the rest of the world of our District, projects, cultures and our beautiful countries. D9400 decided to showcase four projects our clubs are involved in. The projects showcased cover all four countries of our district – Eswatini, Mozambique, Botswana and South Africa.

Bianca Philo from Rotaract Johannesburg did a sterling job as program director, and thereafter President Angela Long from RC Johannesburg (oldest club in Africa) passed the baton on to Chicago One.

D9400 showcased four projects:

- Prof. Dries Velthuisen** (RC E-Club Southern Africa) represented ARCOM, a project that has trained 100 African Peace mediators in partnership with the Makerere Peace Center and collaboration between three districts
- Ilse Jaquire** (RC E-Club Southern Africa) presented a mental wellness program which will be rolled out to schools in our district.
- Lindiwe Dladla** (RC Manzini) presented Days for Girls in Eswatini an empowerment project for girls in the area of menstrual hygiene;
- Lesley-Ann Maxwell** (RC Springs) presented a Kindness Convention for our youth.



Apart from members of the Rotary Action Group for Peace, Rotarians from various districts in Argentina, Armenia, Belize, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Eswatini, Guatemala, Honduras, India (3 Districts), Jordan, Latin America, Malaysia, Mexico, Moldova, Mozambique, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Romania, South Africa, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom (2 Districts), Uruguay, USA and Zambia attended as well. All meetings were showcased on YouTube. For more information contact PP Grace van Zyl, the SNSR Coordinator, at grace@gracevanzyl.com.

District 9400 Program: Friendship Exchange



The [Friendship Exchange program](#) gives Rotarians and their families the opportunity to experience other cultures first-hand, by participating in reciprocal visits with Rotarians from other countries and their families.

This international exchange program was introduced by Rotary International in 1984 and aims to advance international understanding among Rotarians.

It provides Rotarians with the opportunity to form personal contacts and make long-lasting friendships while exploring different areas of the world.

The Friendship Exchange committee normally has Bi-monthly meetings but due to COVID there are currently only quarterly meetings. Our next meeting will be a hybrid – virtual as well as Face to Face to be held on the 2 April 2022 at 13:00

We currently have three continental expert vacancies on our committee.

The duty of the Continental Expert is to plan inbound exchanges and co-ordinate outbound exchanges. There is a FEX handbook that provides guidance and best practice as well as an amazing support team.

If you are keen to get involved, please contact Felicity Jones FEX Chairperson on e-mail fj6302@gmail.com or mobile 0763236513, you might want to join the team immediately or just attend one of our meetings before committing, we would love to welcome you.

Learn more about [District 9400 Friendship Exchange](#). We need your diverse skills and talents, Be the change in this world, it starts here. Can we count you in?



World

Water

Day

Celebration

World Water Day is set by the United Nations for 22nd March in pursuit of Sustainable Development Goal 6 – Clean water and Sanitation for all. There is a different theme each year and for 2022 it is **Groundwater: making the invisible visible**. To celebrate this theme, a webinar on water boreholes will be held in collaboration with the Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) Rotary Action Group on Saturday 19th March.

WASH Rotary Action Group WEBINAR on water boreholes

Saturday 19 March
14h00 - 17h10
[Register here](#)



World Water Day
22 March

2022 THEME
Groundwater: Making the invisible visible

The objective is to equip clubs and Rotarians with the knowledge and understanding of water borehole projects. Rotarians and Rotary Clubs will be informed by a panel of specialists about water boreholes and what a borehole project entails to provide water to needy communities.

WEBINAR: A panel of International and local speakers will deal with subjects ranging from community assessments through technical matters to water supply and project management. Discussions will also cover project costs and funding as well as

guidelines regarding TRF requirements and how experienced Rotarians in WASH-RAG can help clubs avoid pitfalls and compile Global Grant applications with the promise of financial benefit should a proposing club adopt the WASH-RAG recommendations.

It is hoped that a club, having attended the webinar, will be better informed about water borehole projects and be able to make a sound assessment of potential projects to help the communities they serve, and take that project to a successful conclusion.

LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT



Calling all 2022-23 club officers:

Are you getting ready to engage your members and bring more people into your club in the coming Rotary year? In the Rotary Learning Center's [Club Leadership catalog](#), you'll find courses that outline what you'll need to know to succeed in these club roles:

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Committee member:
 - Administration committee
 - Membership committee
 - Public image committee
 - Rotary Foundation committee
 - Service projects committee

These learning plans are designed to be completed before you participate in the district training assembly, which is usually held in March, April, or May. You'll need a My Rotary account to enroll. If you don't yet have an account, [this step-by-step guide](#) will help you to create one.

On mobile devices, links from email or other pages to the Learning Center may not work. Instead, go to the Learning Center through My Rotary, then search for materials or courses. If you haven't used the Learning Center, go to rotary.org/learn, sign in to My Rotary, and accept the privacy policy before you click the link to your learning plan.

The [Facilitator Basics](#) learning plan is another development opportunity that we recommend for anyone who leads learning sessions.



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The Rotary Foundation's **SUCCESS** DEPENDS ON YOU

PDG Eric Kimani (D 9212), the Endowment Major Gifts Adviser (EMGA) was recently hosted here in South Africa by Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator (RRFC) for Zone 22 Region 28 PDG, Jankees Sligcher.

The objective for this visit was to make Rotarians aware of the great opportunity to give to The Rotary Foundation and understand that "Doing Good in the World", does not end at spending time as a Rotarian to assist with Fundraising or Projects.

The Foundation and its possibilities are the cornerstone for Global Grants and major projects we as Rotarians undertake to assist our communities.

PDG Eric is an accomplished speaker and during his visit brought home the importance of Giving. At the RC Rosebank, the RRFC and EMGA hosted a luncheon during the meeting of the NPC of D9400 on Saturday 5 February. The following day, a Champagne Luncheon was held in Craighall Park, coordinated by ARRFC/PDG Francis Callard.

PDG Eric made the participants of these meetings well aware of the opportunities and possibilities that exist to support The Rotary Foundation. Needless to say, he enthused many present and pledges were made - among them our own District Governor. The Major Donor group in D9400 has been increased by DG Stella Anyangwe's contribution!

We would like to congratulate EMGA Eric on a successful mission and understand that, in the years to come, he will be supporting and guiding those who are able and willing to promote "Doing Good in the World" with advice on how to become a Major Donor or Bequest Society Member.



PDG Jankees Sligcher, the Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator, and Adviser PDG Eric Kimani, Endowment Major Gifts Adviser



The D9400 District Conference is fast approaching. Join us as we recognize each other's efforts in service and leadership.

THEME

Diversity | Equity | Inclusion



The Rotary International Convention fee was reduced from \$595 to \$495 through to 28 February.

DISTRICT 9400 ROTARY ANNS' CONFERENCE

DATE: 21 May 2022 09:00 for 09:30

VENUE: Bryanston Methodist Church, 115-117 Grosvenor Road, Bryanston

Registration R200 p.p.

Hosted by Rotary Anns Club of Rosebank

A light lunch will be served after the proceedings.

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Rotary Club of Johannesburg New Dawn

February 23rd was an auspicious day for Johannesburg Rotary New Dawn. Sixty-two attendees, members and visitors, came together in Zoo Lake Park, where the club had planted an indigenous olive tree 12 months previously.

The cause for celebration was great, first International Rotary's 117th birthday, then the 100th birthday of Rotary in SA. We were honoured to welcome DG Stella, and particularly proud to receive her compliments for the diversity and energy of our club.



To add to the festive mood, seven new members were inducted, and some of the current members were noticeably moved when the inductees explained their motivations for joining Rotary.

Finally, and in keeping with the club's strong focus on the environment, Ian Widdop introduced Michael Baretta, Managing Director of [dot]Good, a leading cause marketing agency. Michael's innovative partnership with the Million Plus Recycling initiative and Fran Haslam, Managing Director of the Zoo Lake Users Committee, has enabled the installation of a recycling centre in the park. Club members were asked to bring at least one bag of plastic waste to take there after the main event, and the response was impressive. Everyone agreed the day had been successful and inspiring in every respect.



The Rotary Club of Rosebank together with the Highlands North Boys High School Interact Club members rolled up their sleeves for their first blood donation drive for 2022. They were joined by AG Jean Bernardo who also donated blood. As lockdown regulations are being relaxed, the Interact Club is planning to do four blood donation drives this year.

Patient blood management was key for improving South Africa's healthcare. Only 1% of the population in South Africa donates blood. This is not enough to maintain an adequate inventory to meet the country's blood demand, and results in regular supply shortages, which is now worsened further by Covid-19. Blood drives have been impacted by lockdown restrictions and many people including corporations, high school pupils, university and college students were unable to donate blood at their usual centres.

Rotary Club of Rosebank

Rotary E Club of Southern Africa 9400



When the Bray Wanderers Football Club in Ireland recently changed the logo design on their jerseys and equipment, a lot of new, unused sportswear and sports goods stood to be discarded. Fortunately, they decided to donate it to charity, but little did they know the scale of the impact they were going to make.

The Football Club contacted acquaintances at the Zahra Media Group who frequently travel to South Africa and asked them to collect around 30 kg of sportswear which could be distributed through the foundation, Zahra Helps. They were delighted with the idea.

Enter the Rotary E club and the Rotary Action Group for Family Health & AIDS Prevention (RFHA) came together to arrange the handover of the football jerseys and a lot of sports equipment to the children at a local football club.

Two new members in the Rotary E club who run the East Rand Excellent Soccer Academy (Eresa), were only too pleased to receive the goods. Eresa is a small football academy in the Daveyton (a Johannesburg township) that focuses on social development of kids through sports. The academy provides football training to some 120 boys and girls from the local community. Some of these children did not have proper footwear and most of them had never touched a brand-new item. But now they are inspired and will soon be playing for the Gauteng Development League.



Benoni Rotary Club celebrated the birthday of Rotary International on 22 February 2022. The club was honoured to host DG Stella Anyangwe who delivered a very inspiring speech. They were also joined by members of Boksburg, Boksburg Lake, Benoni van Ryn, past Rotarians and friends of Rotary. Two people received Paul Harris Recognitions, namely the Club President Wilna Dixon and social worker, Karien Keeve. The Club Treasurer, Rotarian Margeret Pappas, received a Sapphire for her dedication and ongoing commitment to the community.

Rotary Club of Benoni

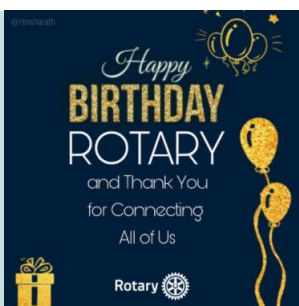
Two individuals received special recognition. The local Newspaper Editor, Lana O'Neill, was recognised for the newspaper's continuous support to Rotary while PDG Annie Steijn's secretary, Séaney Erasmus, received a certificate of recognition for her ongoing support services to Rotary.

A further highlight of the evening was the handing over of a certificate of Honorary Membership to PDG Greg Stathacopoulos. He was introduced by PDG Annie Steijn who reflected on his induction as a Rotarian into Benoni Rotary Club in 1991.

Last but not least a new member, Benice van Zyl, was inducted by DG Stella.



Rotary Club of Pretoria East



Having finalised their project to provide knitted blankets and baby clothes for woman and children at a local shelter as well as for homeless people at another shelter, the Rotary Club of Pretoria East embarked on a new project.

On Sunday 27 February, the club members visited two shelters in Hermanstad to hand out hotdogs and cold drinks to all the residents. There are 80 people living in here. Secondhand clothes and vegetables as well as tinned food for future use was also greatly appreciated.

Presidents and members of other clubs in Region 5 of D9400 were invited along to support the project and share in the birthday celebration of Rotary International. They shared much needed fellowship and time together.

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District 9400 EVENTS CALENDAR

4-5 March
2022

Presidential Conference – [Maputo, Mozambique](#) on Economics and peace, Protecting the environment. See [video](#). Register [here](#)

19 March
2022

Webinar 14h00 - 17h10 by WASH Rotary Action Group. Discussion on water boreholes to celebrate **World Water Day** (22 March). Register [here](#)

18-20 March
2022

Presidential Conference – [Venice, Italy](#) on Economy & Environment in Harmony

22 March
2022

World Water Day

10-14 April
2022

Council on Legislation – Chicago, USA

24-30 April
2022

World Immunization Week

21 May
2022

District 9400 Rotary Anns Conference 09:00 at Bryanston Methodist Church, 115-117 Grosvenor Road, Bryanston, Sandton

4-8 June
2022

Rotary International Convention, Houston Texas, USA
Register [here](#)

16-19 June
2022

Hybrid D9400 Conference - Forever Resorts, Bela Bela (Warmbaths), Limpopo

2-4 November
2022

Rotary Family Health Day, SA

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, Say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

A Prova Quádrupla

Do que pensamos, dizemos ou fazemos:

1. É a VERDADE?
2. É JUSTO para todos os interessados?
3. Criará boa VONTADE e MELHORES AMIZADES?
4. Será BENÉFICO para todos os interessados?

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