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### DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

#### The Family of Rotary

The word family evokes several things: a sense of belonging; a sense of security; a sense of obligation. I am reminded of the lyrics that start the old TV series Cheers:

"Sometimes you want to go, where everybody knows your name, and they are all glad that you came..."

The Rotary family should be no different. Rotary should give us a sense of belonging; a sense of security; a sense of obligation. Like any family, we should invite members of the family to our homes. We should remember the birthdays and the anniversaries. We should give a friend a call to congratulate either them or their children on achievement, and we should give them a call and share ourselves with them during times of grief. We should speak to them, not about them, when they, like all human being, start deviating from the Rotary principles. We should do all those little things that say "You are family".

It is a family that extends beyond the immediate membership of the club to the families of the members. It includes Rotaractors and Interactors and their families. We need to plan our social activities and indeed service activities taking into account the family units: spouses

and children ranging from babies to teenagers.

And yet it is a family with a difference because it is true to the first part of the Object of Rotary: "The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service". Most families look inwards at only the family members and their welfare, but the Rotary family, after consolidating the family feeling and obligations, focuses outwards on service. Herein lies the challenge and the boundary. Our motto is "Service Above Self". We are not a family based on the self-help mutual benefit motivation, and we need to resist this temptation. The Declaration of Rotarians in businesses and professions goes further and enjoins us not to give any special business consideration to Rotarians.

This challenge of focusing outwards weighs heavily on all of us, and yet, like a Rotarian (Dr Mugambi) who I met when he was visiting the Rotary Club of Meru put it, it is precisely this ability to focus away from family to the benefit of others we might not even know that distinguishes us from the standard run of animals: it is humanity. Put simply, the challenge of the Family of Rotary is also the opportunity for us to express our humanity as the Family of Rotary.

Lead the Way.

DG Tusu

### DISTRICT FAMILY OF ROTARY CHAIR'S MESSAGE

In the Governor's newsletter of August this year, I urged all clubs to form a **Family of Rotary Committee**. The committee was among other things to focus on the following:

- Encourage Rotarians to share Rotary information with their family members.
- Employ diverse means to showing that Rotary cares for members of family more especially in times of disaster and illness.
- Promote membership retention.
- Encourage your club to qualify for the 2006/07 Presidential citation by completing activities on Family of Rotary such as inviting members to bring their spouses and children to club meetings or events on at least five occasions.
- Welcome and include non-Rotarian family members into the family of Rotary through service and fellowship activities.

Remember that besides being an organization of individuals, Rotary affirms itself as an organization of families: men and women, fathers and mothers, children and youth, all finding a place of welcome and inspiration for service. The family of Rotary is important because Rotary is Family, enriched by the presence of Inner wheel members,

Rotaractors, Interactors, Youth Exchange, RYLA participants and RCC, not forgetting those involved in Rotary International and Rotary Foundation Programmes. With the participation of such extended family, Rotarians set an example for the world of family members who care about enhancing living conditions in their communities, workplaces and around the globe.

December is a wonderful holiday month, a month that calls in a new year. What a month to celebrate Rotary with our extended families and give our families the highest priority and also take time to recommit ourselves to spreading goodwill and working toward the ultimate goal of achieving peace on earth.

In this Family month, please let us share your success stories with the grassroot projects that have made you as an individual or as a club become stronger and more effective as we unite to **LEAD THE WAY.**

**PDG Nelson Kawalya**

**NEWS FROM THE ROTARY CLUB OF NAIROBI NORTH**

DG Tusu visited the Rotary Club of Nairobi North on 20 September 2006. He provided advice and exchanged words of wisdom in an open dialogue with the club members. The DG was very resourceful to the club, he gave an impressive talk on leadership and everyone had something to carry home both in favour of the club and individually.

Rotary Club of Nairobi North is well known for its great warmth and thus also known as the Hugs & Kisses Club. The Club has 51 members and 25% are ladies.

The current president is a lady, the first lady president in the history of the club. The club has set the target of USD 10,000 as contribution from the club to the Rotary Foundation during 2006-2007. DG Tusu challenged all Board Members to become Paul Harris Fellows thereby “Leading the Way” for the rest of the Club.

The DG had an opportunity to listen to a presentation on the Palmhouse Foundation, which he lauded as excellent providing homegrown solutions spearheaded by Rotarians.

**DIARY OF CLUB VISITS BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR**

Date	Morning 8.30am- 2pm	Afternoon 2.15p.m- 8pm
27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Dar es Salaam	Dar es Salaam North
28 <sup>th</sup>	Morogoro: 8am 1pm	Travel to Iringa
29 <sup>th</sup>	Iringa: 8am to 11am	Travel to Dodoma
30 <sup>th</sup>	Dodoma: 8 am 1 pm	Travel back to Dar
1 <sup>st</sup> Dec		Meeting with Rotaractors; Meeting with District and Country Officers
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sunrise-Kampala	
6 <sup>th</sup>		Mukono
7 <sup>th</sup>		Seeta
8 <sup>th</sup>		Kyengera
11 <sup>th</sup>		Mityana
12 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Masindi	Masindi
13 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Arua	Arua
14 <sup>th</sup>		
20 <sup>th</sup>	Kibaale	Mubende
5 <sup>th</sup> January		Muranga
6 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Maralal	Maralal

7 <sup>th</sup>	Travel to Naivasha	
8 <sup>th</sup>	Naivasha	Nakuru
9 <sup>th</sup>	Eldoret	Webuye
10 <sup>th</sup>	Kakamega	Vihiga
11 <sup>th</sup>	Kericho	Homa Bay
12 <sup>th</sup>		Kisumu
24 <sup>th</sup>	Kyotera	Kalisizo
25 <sup>th</sup>	Karagwe	Bukoba
26 <sup>th</sup>	Mwanza	
February	Identified clubs in Mombasa; Bahir Dar; other clubs not yet covered	

**AWARDS!!**

This is to inform you about three recognition opportunities for outstanding Rotary clubs that will be awarded in the spring of 2007. Clubs that are interested in being considered for these awards have to start preparing now. To learn more about the Awards, visit [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org), click on “RI Programs,” and look for the “Awards and Recognition” link on the left side of the menu. Please take careful note of the deadlines for each of these awards. **In order to be considered, nominations must arrive at RI World Headquarters by the deadlines indicated below.**

**Significant Achievement Award  
Deadline: 15 March 2007**

This award recognizes outstanding club service projects. To be eligible, projects must:

- ✚ address a significant problem or need in the local community involve most or all of the club members in personal rather than monetary service;
- ✚ be commensurate with the club's size and resources;
- ✚ be capable of emulation by other Rotary clubs;

- be currently active or reach a conclusion during the Rotary year for which the award is given;
- be carried out by a single Rotary club

**Presidential Citation**  
**Deadline: 15 April 2007**

The 2006-07 Presidential Citation brochure, available on the Web, highlights different activities that a club can participate in to qualify for this award. In addition to accomplishing four activities (each from a different category of service as found in the citation brochure), clubs must verify that they have achieved a net increase of at least one member prior to 1 April 2007. Club presidents must fill out and sign the Presidential Citation Certification Form and send it to their district governors for endorsement.

**Public Relations Award**  
**Deadline: 15 May 2007**

The purpose of this award is to recognize Rotary clubs that have generated increased awareness and understanding of Rotary through outstanding media coverage or public relations efforts. Public relations activities initiated up to one year prior to 15 March 2007 are eligible for this year's award. It is important to note that this award recognizes a successful *media campaign* by a club to demonstrably improve Rotary's visibility and image within the community.

For more information on developing effective public relations, please consult the RI Web site section on Public Relations at: [www.rotary.org/support/prtools/index.html](http://www.rotary.org/support/prtools/index.html).

**CHANGE IN ROTARY CLUB  
 PRESIDENCY (2006/07)**

The **Rotary Club of the Source of the Nile** wishes to inform you of the following change in its Club Presidency during the year 2006/07:

Following the death on 29 June 2006 of Rtn Hannington Wogenga Oguttu (the In-coming Club President or President elect) and the departure of Rtn Julius Twesigye (Club President for 2005/06) for studies in the United Kingdom, the Club's Board and Assembly on 10 August 2006 elected **Rtn (Dr) John Obbo Okaronon** as the Club President during the period 2006/07.

**Dr John Obbo Okaronon**  
**Club President, 2006/07**  
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**DISTRICT TRAINING PROGRAMME**

Date	Training	Modality/ Place
20 Jan 2007	COTS	One per country
17-18 Feb 2007	DTTS	Arusha
10 Mar 2007	PETS/ROTS	Addis
17 Mar 2007	PETS/ROTS	Nairobi
24 Mar 2007	PETS/ROTS	Dar
31 Mar 2007	PETS/ROTS	Kampala
14-15 Apr 2007	RYLA	One per country

**LOST CHARTER DOCUMENTS  
 ROTARY CLUB OF KAMPALA WEST**

The Rotary Club of Kampala West, which will be celebrating the 37<sup>th</sup> charter anniversary, next

February, has most unfortunately lost the charter certificate and documents relating to the early years.

We do not know when or how the records went missing but understand that 3 years ago a Rotarian from Nairobi indicated to some Rotarians from Kampala that he has the charter certificate and many other documents of the club with him in Nairobi. We do not know this Rotarian's name or club but are thankful that he has looked after the documents. We would like to get in touch with him and appeal to all club presidents in Kenya and especially in the Nairobi area to help us trace this good Rotarian.

Please send any information about this to the Club President; Sam Bwaya, [carrstan@infocom.co.ug](mailto:carrstan@infocom.co.ug), or telephone +256 772 481 190.

**DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION**

**Public Relations Grant  
 Applications Update**

Thanks to all the Clubs that were able to send their application forms in time. Please take note of the following dates:

- November 22** – Unsuccessful clubs will be notified. These Clubs are advised to make corresponding changes as will be advised for re-submission next Rotary year.
- December 15** – Notification to Clubs which are eligible for first round funding.
- February 13** – Notification to Clubs eligible for funding for next Rotary year.

**98<sup>th</sup> RI Convention – 17-20<sup>th</sup>  
 June 2007 In Salt Lake City**

- Register now by paying only \$275. After 1<sup>st</sup> December 2006, you will pay \$315.

- We are planning to have a District 9200 reception and District Projects Booth.
- IPP Andrew Muguluma, the On-to Salt Lake City together with President Sam Bwaya (Projects' Booth) and RC Muyenga (in Charge of District 9200 Reception) to send you updates/details. All Clubs/Rotarians are encouraged to participate.

**Rtn. Stephen Mwanje**  
**District Secretary**

**CLUB ATTENDANCE SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2006**

Club Name	% Attendance	
	Sept	Oct
Addis Ababa	46	-
Addis Ababa-Bole	-	-
Addis Ababa East	69.75	87.78
Addis Ababa Entoto	-	-
Addis Ababa West	-	-
Arua	-	-
Arusha	75	-
Arusha Mount Meru	-	-
Asmara	-	-
Bahari-Dar-es-Salaam	53	57
Bahari-Mombasa	-	-
Bugolobi	-	-
Bukoba	-	-
Bukoto	61.5	-
Bushenyi	81.5	-
Bweyogerere-Namboole	53.9	43
Dar-es-Salaam	-	-
Dar-es-Salaam Mzizima	75.5	62.2
Dar-es-Salaam North	-	-
Diani-Mombasa	-	-
Eldoret	-	-
Entebbe	-	-
Gaba	-	-
Gulu	57	-
Homa Bay	-	-
Hurlingham-Nairobi	-	-
Ibanda	66	-
Iganga	56	56
Iringa	-	-
Jinja	90.5	92.3
Kabale	61	68.2
Kabarole	-	70
Kajjansi	68.8	61.8
Kakamega	-	-
Kalisizo	81	57
Kampala	70	67
Kampala-Central	72	59
Kampala-East	67.2	67.6
Kampala-North	83.8	83.3
Kampala-South	-	55.33

Kampala-Ssese Islands	77.3	67.9
Kampala-West	75	70
Kamuli	-	-
Kasangati	-	-
Kasese	-	-
Kayunga	85.8	-
Kibaale	62.4	59
Kilifi	-	-
Kilindi-Mombasa	-	-
Kisumu	57.3	-
Kiwatule	77	73
Kololo-Kampala	66	-
Kyambogo-Kampala	64	68
Kyengera	-	-
Kyotera	-	-
Lira	-	-
Machakos	77.5	-
Makindye	89.5	84.8
Malindi	-	-
Maralal	27	-
Masaka	81.1	82.6
Masindi	44	44
Mbale	-	-
Mbarara	68.5	61.7
Mbarara-West	-	-
Mengo	-	-
Milimani	-	-
Mityana	-	-
Mombasa	55	56
Mombasa Central	62	63
Mombasa North Coast	-	-
Moshi	46.4	-
Mpigi	-	-
Mubende	-	-
Mukono	75	-
Murang'a	-	-
Muthaiga	-	-
Muyenga	73	72
Mwalimu Nyerere-Dodoma	-	-
Mwanza	-	-
Nairobi	80	-
Nairobi Industrial Area	-	-
Nairobi-East	-	-
Nairobi-Langata	-	-
Nairobi-North	-	-
Nairobi-South	-	-
Nairobi-Utumishi	-	-
Naivasha	-	-
Nakuru	58.87	51.72
Nebbi	-	-
Ntinda	77	68
Port-Bell	-	-
Rubaga	92	90.8
Rwampara	72	-
Seeta	-	-
Source of the Nile	-	-
Sunrise Kampala	75.3	98
Tanga	69.5	77.6
Thika	93.3	-
Tororo	-	-
Vihiga	82	-
Webuye	50.1	60.6
Westlands-Nairobi	-	-
Karagwe	60	-

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**LIGHT CORNER**

**Hot is Hot and Cold is Cold** - things don't always work the way we think they might. One day Joe was walking across a building site and saw his foreman pouring coffee from a Thermos flask. "What's that you've got there foreman?" Joe asked. "A Thermos Flask," said the foreman. "And what does that do?" says Joe. "Well," said the foreman, "if you put anything hot in it, then it stays hot, and if you put anything cold in it, then it stays cold."

"That's fantastic!" said Joe. "I must get myself one of those." The next day Joe sat eating his lunch when his friend Mick came in. "What's that there Joe?" asked Mick. "A Thermos Flask," replied Joe. "And what does that do?" asked Mick. "Well," said Joe, "if you put anything hot in it, then it stays hot, and if you put anything cold in it, then it stays cold". "That's marvelous," Mick exclaimed. "And what have you got in there now?" "Well," said Joe, "I've got two cups of coffee and an ice-cream."

**MESSAGE FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITORIAL BOARD**

This is to inform you about the appointment by the District Governor of Rtn. Rosetti Nabbumba Nayenga from the Rotary Club of Mukono as the District Officer in charge of the District Governor's Newsletter for 2006/07. All communications and articles for the Newsletter should be addressed to her at: [rosseti.nabbumba@finance.go.ug](mailto:rosseti.nabbumba@finance.go.ug) [rnabbumba@yahoo.com](mailto:rnabbumba@yahoo.com)  
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