



Presidential Message



Barry Rassin President 2018-19

January 2019

Vocational service can be hard to define, but it is easy to describe: It is simply the point where our Rotary lives and our professional lives intersect. When we put our Rotary ideals to work through our work, that is vocational service.

When I returned to the Bahamas after many years working in health care administration abroad, I realized that my country badly needed a modern health care facility. The resources we had at the time were out of date and inadequate, and people who were unable to travel abroad for care often did not receive the care they needed. Without the experience I had gained in the United States, I could have done nothing to change the status quo. But since I did have that experience, I was in a unique position to have an impact. I knew I could turn my professional path to good and make a career out of improving Bahamian health care.

As Rotary became part of my journey, I discovered that the words of Paul Harris that became the basis of Rotary — that shared effort knows no limitations — were also true for my vocation. I could not bring modern health care to the Bahamas alone. But through partnership, both with the doctors who eventually became my partners in Doctors Hospital and with all the dedicated staff members who worked in the hospital over the years, we could change everything. My goal became a shared goal — and then it became reality.

Rotary emphasizes the dignity of every vocation and the worth of every calling. Remember that the four founding members included no doctors or peacemakers — just an attorney, a mining engineer, a coal dealer, and a printer. From the beginning, the diversity of those vocations gave Rotary a special strength. And that diversity is reflected in our classification system, which aims to ensure that each club represents the full range of businesses and professions that serve each community.

Paul Harris put it this way: "Each Rotarian is the connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and his trade

or profession." It was true when he said it and should be equally true now. We only spend an hour or two a week at our Rotary meetings, but most of us spend most of our waking time at work. Through Rotary, those hours are also an opportunity for service: a chance to **Be the Inspiration** to those we work with, those who work for us, and the communities we serve.

"Rotarians are very much more favorably disposed towards action than they are toward words." – Paul Harris In this issue...

- Presidential Message
- RI President-elect
- DG Message
- President Corner
- Clubs' Joint Activity
- RC Adliya Meetings
- RCA Projects for Youths

January 2019



RI President-elect 2019-20

Mark Daniel Maloney President 2019-20 **Rotary Club of Decatur** Alabama, USA

Daniel Maloney is a Mark principal in the law firm of

Blackburn, Maloney, and Schuppert LLC, with a focus on taxation, estate planning, and agricultural law. He represents large farming operations in the Southeastern and Midwestern United States, and has chaired the American Bar Association's Committee on Agriculture in the section of taxation. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Alabama State Bar has participated in the Council on Legislation as chair, Association, and the Alabama Law Institute.

He has been active in Decatur's religious community, chairing his church's finance council and a local Catholic school board. He has also served as president Prior to serving as a district governor, Maloney led a of the Community Foundation of Greater Decatur, chair of Morgan County Meals on Wheels, and director of the United Way of Morgan County He also served as Future Vision Committee vice chair; and the Decatur-Morgan County Chamber of regional Rotary Foundation coordinator; Foundation Commerce.

director; Foundation trustee and vice chair; and aide to Sanitation, and Hygiene in Schools Target Challenge 2003-04 RI President Jonathan Majiyagbe. He also Committee.



vice chair, parliamentarian, and trainer. He was an adviser to the 2004 Osaka Convention Committee and chaired the 2014 Sydney Convention Committee.

Group Study Exchange to Nigeria.

training institute moderator; Foundation permanent fund national adviser; member of the Peace Centers A Rotarian since 1980, Maloney has served as an RI Committee; and adviser to the Foundation's Water,

RCA CLUB MEETING:

RCA Regular Meeting 14th January 2019: Guest Speaker: Mr. David A. Smith Collins Executive Coach, Leadership Mentor, Consultant and CEO of Smith-Collins International Group of companies. Topic: The Snakes and Ladders Game of Your Career.







DG Message

January 2019:

vear 2019

The Rotary month of January is celebrated as "Vocational Service Month".

Service. For that, Vocational Service calls on every Rotarian to aspire to high ethical standards in their occupation, to recognize the worthiness of all useful Karam topic). occupations, and to contribute their vocational talents to the problems and needs of society.

2064 Rotarians (as on 30 December 2018), 83 clubs *****District, country, zone and RYLA seminars.** and district 2452 should implement the following strategies in their support of Vocational Service:

- Strengthen the emphasis on vocation and classification in new member recruitment and induction.
- Identify means of emphasizing vocation in club activities.
- Create stronger emphasis а on business networking with integrity in Rotary at the club and district level.
- Focus more attention on business networking with integrity as a means of attracting and mentoring the new generation.
- Emphasize the connection between the Four Way Test and the Rotary Code of Conduct and their importance to the core values of Rotary.

The Clubs' visits (80 out of 83 Rotary Clubs, PDG Nijad Al Atassi, nijadalatassi@gmail.com or remaining RCs Tyre Europa, Chtaura Bekaa gate, Lebanon and Famagusta Cavo Greco, Cyprus) over the past six months have reconfirmed that vocational service is the core of our organization's works where we've been invited then we decided to join. In fact, various professions, as in Rotary, may be considered useless, unless they would be better valued; where we have to invest in these professions in order to serve their communities through the talent, qualities and skills acquired and developed as we practice our professions, in our business and in communities.

Among our fellow colleagues I've met dedicated teachers who are actively involved in preventing school abandonment and stimulating excellence, doctors who are willing to initiate club projects to ensure free medical care for the poor and hurting, artists willing to support humanitarian causes through their art, in addition to businessmen and community leaders who are inspired by the 4-Way Test and the Rotary core values.



Best wishes for a successful This is an involvement sample through which Rotary stands out as a competent and capable force which successfully negotiates a wide range of challenges.

Thank you all for the generosity and the humility that you provide through your profession, your vocation, Vocational Service is one of Rotary's Avenues of your community involvement making life better and giving hope to those who come into our reach and being the inspiration. (Please refer to PP Simon

> I would like to share with you the sheet titled "Vocational Service ideas".

Membership District Seminar in Yerevan, Armenia, 27 January 2019.

Kindly be informed that the date of the District 2452 Membership Development Seminar has been scheduled on Sunday 27th January 2019 at Any Plaza Hotel. Yerevan, Armenia. You download may the registration form and Tour package cost/ presentation from the District 2452 website.

ALL Rotarians are highly solicited to participate and to support the teamwork chaired by PDG Nijad Al Atassi. As well as you're kindly asked to promote the seminar by sending the attachments to your clubs in order to achieve high participation. Attachments are posted on District 2452 website. Please do not hesitate contact: Membership Development Committee to District Chair:

AG AshotKarapetyan (+37491418705), ashot.karape tyan62@gmail.com), if you need any further information or assistance.

Membership and Leadership country seminar in Cyprus, 23 February 2019.

I would like to inform you that the Country Membership/Leadership Seminar, will take place the 23rd of February 2019, from 9.00am until2.00 pm, at Chateau Status, in Nicosia (Buffer zone, opposite Ledra Palace Hotel), followed by the Paul Harris Lunch, where I will head the Seminar and I will pin Paul Harris Fellows of Rotary Clubs, during lunch.

Please inform your members to participate (especially the Membership Chairs, of your Clubs).

Please declare to PP George Papaleontiou anubis@spidernet.com.cy or Assistant Governor Coordinator Alkis Socratous alkissocratous@hotmail.com, the names of the Rotarians or Persons to be pinned and apply to Rotary International, for the actual pins and certificates. *Continued in page 5...*

January 2019

The President Corner



Durry Atassi President 2018-2019

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

Every year we change one number on our yearly calendar and we all get excited about this change, changing 2018 to 2019 is so exciting that all people all over the world celebrate this change.



The change of one digit means so much to so many people even though the new number is well known ahead of time and the timing of the change is predictable, yet people celebrate this "change" because it signals a new beginning and usually people get excited about new beginnings.

We at RCA are experiencing some new changes this Rotary year as well, there are so many changes happening in the club, and it is making my job more fun and rewarding. The new public face of the club, i.e. our club logo is just one of few. The process of adopting a new logo has taught me so many lessons about life and I will share some of them with you.

- Change is important, someone said "the only constant in life is change" and that is so true, as the world around us changes constantly we have to accept, embrace and welcome it in our lives.
- Change is hard, it is the opposite of comfort and familiarity it brings unpredictability and an element of unknown. That alone to a lot of people, is risky and unwelcomed, because people are comfortable with their familiar world.
- Change must be consensus, it is not enough that a few want a change, it has to be the majority who agree and buy off on it. It has to be accepted by the people who will be effected by it.
- Change is beautiful, because it brings a new beginning and a fresh start for something different.

If we analyze the word "change" and replace it with "improvement" or "enhancement" or "beautification", then the word in itself become more acceptable and widely welcomed by many, which brings me near to my goal for the remainder of this Rotary year. I would love to improve our meeting format, enhance our activities more and certainly increase our membership by bringing on more people who subscribe to the club mission and goals for the community at large.

Change requires courage and commitment but can only be done when there is a wide acceptance and consent among the people. I'm always honored and proud of having a dynamic and vibrant board that is not afraid of testing a new frontiers when it comes to making some changes, but the board also needs the encouragement and participation of all members.

It is 2019 and I know we are embarking on many exciting things for Rotary in Bahrain and in our club. I want to wish each one of you a prosperous and a joyful new year ahead.

IMDA OT TDA CIED an af 21st January 2010 (m

IMPACT TRACKER as of 21 st January 2019 (www.rotary.org)			
	Number of volunteers	Total cash contributions	Total in-kind contributions
93,502,028	613,590,485	946,327,761	417,786,265
Hours	People	USD	USD
	From 137242 projects added since Showcase launched in 2013		

Vol. 25, Issue 7

Continued from page 3... **DG Message**

Detailed program of the Seminar, will be forwarded to you later on. It is noted that the Seminar will be sponsored by Cyprus Rotary. The Paul Harris Lunch, will be a buffet lunch, at a cost of 25.00 euros per person.

paleontiou, Cyprus Trainer 2018-2019.

RYLA D2452 in Lebanon: 10th, 11th and 12th of January 2019

Please refer to PE Najah Elias and Rotarian Samar Jabbour topic.

Based on the importance granted by the Rotary International in developing the next generation of leaders, RYLA Team hereby has the pleasure to invite you to District 2452 RYLA 2019, entitled "Building Capacities".Meet Georges Khabbas at RYLA THIS **YEAR!** (*Please follow the link to check the promotional video*)

https://www.facebook.com/RylaLebanon/ videos/564766293950194/

George Khabbaz is a Lebanese actor, writer, director, comedian, musician, playwright, producer and Theater Professor. He is a television, theater and cinema actor, in his addition to being a director, producer and music composer. (Wikipedia)

RYLA program will help young leaders build leadership skills, expand their education and learn the value of service. The program focuses on three main aspects to develop: Professional, Emotional and Physical Capacities. The District 2452 theme for RY 2018-2019 is "Youth is our Future"

District 2452 RYLA 2019 will take place on the 10th, 11th and 12th of January 2019 at Ehden Country Club, Ehden, Lebanon.Stay posted with the exquisite program Facebookpage: https:// details on www.facebook.com/RylaLebanon. I hope all clubs can support and encourage the youth by sponsoring candidates: Rotaractors, Club's Guests...For more details, Rotarians, Rotaractors and candidates can contact us on Rylalebanon@gmail.com . Looking forward to working together and counting on your commitment and support. See you then. Don't miss it!

Zone 20B Gaziantep Meeting between 8th and 10th of February 2019.By PDG Malik Aviral and PDG Murat Öz. Co-Conveners.

Gaziantep is a city at the crossroads of different civilizations. The city is the perfect venue to connect withsince it brings together different cultures throughout history being one of the world's oldest continuously-inhabited cities. You will have the chance to network with friends, keep updating with the latest Egypt, Sharm El Sheikh, 28th to 31st March 2019 changes, new approaches and new targets in Rotary

Membership, Rotary Foundation, Rotary Public Image topics, "Welcoming Zone 21- Farewell to Zone 20" and at the same time you will have the opportunity to share the inspiring success stories. We will have some workshops related with "New Rotary Strategic Plan" according to "New Rotary Vision Statement" for Membership Growth, Rotary Foundation, and Rotary Please do not hesitate to contact PP Dr. George Pa- Public Image. Additionally, you will have the chance to step into the world of ancient civilizations and go on a journey of human history. We are sure that after our meeting we will have a great motivation for our new Zone 21.

> If you have not made any decision yet regarding participation, now it's time to do it and its time to purchase your flight tickets to Gaziantep. For registration the website: http:// just visit rotaryzone20bmeeting.com

> The organizing committee is expecting your participation and wish you an exciting zone meeting and rewarding stay in Gaziantep/Turkey. Gaziantep zone meeting will start on 8th of February, Friday evening and on 9thFebruary with gala dinner in the evening. But if you wish you can get two alternative touristic tours such as sightseeing. Target participants will be, directors (current and past), coordinators, E/MGAs, assistant coordinators, DGs, DGEs, DGNs, PDGs, assistant governors, DRFCs, DMCs, DRPICs, DISCs and other district committee chairs if they are interested, also members of these committees, current club presidents, club presidents-elect and past club presidents, any Rotarians who are interested in joining participants coming from different Districts.

> Please do not hesitate to contact for further information Rotary Coordinator-PDG Malik Aviral and PDG Murat Öz, Co-Conveners.

> The 6th District Conference and RI President Representative General Secretary John Hewko and his wife "Marga": from 1st till 4th of May 2019.

Tentative first Youth-day, 6DC scientific program and guests program: (Panels immediate translation into 4 languages: Arabic, French, English and Russian).

Tentative program, Promotional videos (in English/ French/Arabic subtitles) as well as Registration Form are at http://www.rotaryd2452.org/new/ available index.php/conference/district-conference. Don't hesi-PP Jawad tate to contact Chair Mouawad jawadmouawad@gmail.com, vice chair chair PP Registration Samir Constanand tin samirconstantin@gmail.com or District 2452 Conference Executive Secretary Ms. Zeinab Marmak conference1819@rotaryd2452.org

Other District Conferences:

District 2451:https://portal.rotaryd2451.org/, Continued in page 6 ...

Vol. 25, Issue 7

Continued from page 5... DG Message

District 9010: http://www.rotarydistrict9010.org/, Algeria, Alger, 19-22 June 2019.

International Assembly: 13-19 January 2019.

January also officially starts the transition and training of new leaders within Rotary. District Governor-Elect Shawkat Tadros and Inas head to San Diego for the International Assembly, 13-19 January, an inspiring gathering of all 538 District Governors-Elect world-wide. We wish them successful stay and safe back to home.

Evaluation for the first six months of the RY 2018-2019

With the year half-completed, it's also a great time to sit back and evaluate the situation of your Club. Take a look at the Rotary Citation, the Governor Citation and the District awards at one of your January Club or Board meetings. Are you on the right track to achieving all you set out to do? Are adjustments needed? Will you meet Foundation and End Polio Now fundraising goals? Have you paid your District and Country dues? Have you engaged with our District youth program? Has your club sent all members' participation list to the 6th D2452 Conference Secretary PP David Ze-in daoudzein@gmail.com or to Executive Secretary Ms. Zeinab Marmak zeinabmarmak@gmail.com ?

Thanks for the first six months of RY 2018-2019:

I would like to thank you all Rotarians in Clubs of D2452, DLP_leadership plan for D2452 chairs and members, Governors College, Governor's board, District Conference teamwork, Governor's aide, Rotaractors, Interactors, Innerwheel clubs, governor's representatives, AGs and AGCs, inspirational writers in the previous governor monthly letters, DS David Zein and ES Zeinab Marmak. Looking forward for your generous support for the next half-year of 2018-2019.

Thank you all for your positive attitude during the first six months of the Rotary year 2018-2019.

As we begin a new year 2019, I would like to wish you the best of health, wonderful accomplishments and may your dreams come true! And *Be the Inspiration*. With deep friendship.

RC Manama & RC Adliya Joint Social Evening



To mark the end of the year 2018, members of RC Manama & RC Adliya jointly celebrated the Social Evening at Lanterns Restaurant, Adliya, on 23rd December 2018. Great fellowship, great fun.

Adliya Echo

Vol. 25, Issue 7

January 2019



3 Rotary Clubs Joint Donation

The 3 Rotary Clubs in Bahrain donated specially designed wheel chairs to tennis players with special needs. Bahrain Sports Federation for Disabilities organized a Tennis Tournaments on 6th January 2019 at Bahrain Tennis Club.



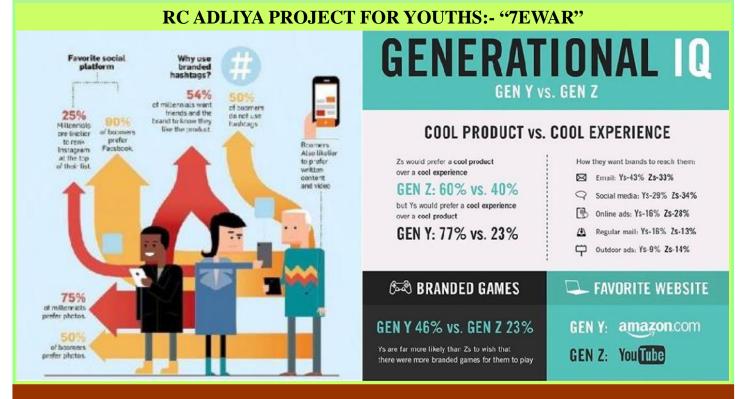
Vol. 25, Issue 7

Adliya Echo

RC A DLIYA PROJECT FOR YOUTHS—"CAREER TASTERS"



BBK and NBB hosted Career Tasters to provide learning platform in banking & finance to youngsters.



*"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."*Former U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt

Vocational Service

5 ways to inspire through vocational service

By Rotary Service and Engagement Staff

Vocational Service calls on us to empower others by using our unique skills and expertise to address community needs and help others discover new professional opportunities and interests. January is Rotary's Vocational Service Month, a great time to leverage vocational service in your club projects and activities.

Here are five ways you can incorporate vocational service in your club activities:

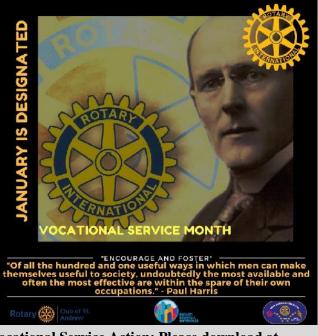
- Host a club meeting at your work place and share about your profession; take time to learn about fellow members' occupations.
- 2. Use your skills and expertise to serve a community.
- 3. Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your words and actions.
- 4. Work with local businesses to create mentorship, internship, or practicum opportunities to help young people achieve their career goals.
- 5. Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

Below are some examples of clubs taking action around the world:

Members from the Rotary Club of Melbourne Park in Australia come from a variety of vocational backgrounds. Not only do they utilize their skills within the club, but they also have something to offer to a wider audience. They started the 'Rotary Skillshare' series with their Past President Jason Reynolds, who owns a financial advisory business and offered to series of presentations conduct a designed to help club members make smart choices when confronted with

financial decisions. The club hopes to continue the series, highlighting a different club member's profession to learn from their expertise.

- The Rotary Club of Kakuri-Kaduna in Nigeria organized a career guidance and entrepreneur workshop for students from their local secondary school. Students were surveyed beforehand for insight on their future career goals. Various speakers from different walks of life met with students to discuss their future plans.
- The Front Royal Rotary Club in the United States partners with the local Chamber of Commerce to put together an ethics workshop for high school seniors in which they are presented seven ethical dilemmas and have to determine the best route to solve each of issue.
 - The Rotary Club of Bangalore Vijayanagar in India started a vocational training center offering computer training and tailored classes to help low income and unemployed men and women gain skills to become independent and self-sufficient.



Vocational Service Action: Please download at https://my.rotary.org/en/document/introductionvocational-service



Presenting Hits

January 2019

Adliya Echo

Vol. 25, Issue 7