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## Presidential Message



**Barry Rassin**  
President 2018-19

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One early June, more than 30 years ago, I had a business trip scheduled to Las Vegas. I had been a Rotarian for about six years, and I thought of myself as an active member: I attended every meeting, I'd served as club secretary, I knew everyone in my club. But for me, Rotary was very much a community organization. It connected me to Nassau and perhaps even to the Bahamas — but no farther.

I had never given much thought to Rotary beyond the Bahamas, and it had never crossed my mind to travel to a Rotary convention. But that spring, I realized that my trip to Las Vegas would coincide with the Rotary International Convention and thought, why not? I sent in my registration and paid my fees, never suspecting that the experience would change my life.

When I walked through the doors of that convention, I was stunned. It was one thing to know that I was part of a global organization with over a million members around the world. It was something else altogether to stand there in the middle of it. I went to every general session, looked in at every booth at the House of Friendship, and learned about projects that I hadn't even known you could do in Rotary. That convention didn't just open my eyes. It opened my mind. It inspired me to completely change the way I saw Rotary, what Rotary could do for me, and what I could do through Rotary. That inspiration has stayed with me ever since — and is renewed every year, at every Rotary convention.

In June 2019, Rotarians from all over the world will converge in Hamburg to Capture the Moment at the 110th Rotary International Convention. Many, like me, will have been coming to conventions for years; many others will be coming for the first time. Whether they're looking to connect with old friends, to find inspiration for a new Rotary year, or simply to see what Rotary is all about, each of them will find their own moment in Hamburg.

Hamburg is a port city that connects Germany to the world and that has been an economic and cultural hub for centuries. It's a wonderful place to visit — to stroll the shores of the city's lake, take a boat trip on the Elbe River, dine out, hear great music, and explore fascinating museums. It's also the ideal place to kick off a European vacation.

If you're a regular convention goer, you absolutely won't want to miss out on the friendship and inspiration you'll find in Hamburg. And if you've never been to a convention, please consider this my personal invitation. Register at [riconvention.org](http://riconvention.org) by 15 December for the best rate — and let this convention *Be the Inspiration* for your Rotary journey.

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### Trustee chair's message

Ron D. Burton  
Trustee Chair 2018-19  
November 2018

Every year we celebrate November as Rotary Foundation Month. How fortunate we are to have a world-class Foundation that allows us to do so much good in the world. We should all take pride in the fact that something good happens every second of every day because of Rotarians and our Rotary Foundation.

Remember how excited we were at the 2017 Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, where we celebrated the Foundation's first 100 years? The fundraising goal for that year was \$300 million, and, as you recall, we raised \$304 million to exceed that goal. It was a landmark year for the Foundation.

In the 2017-18 Rotary year, as the Foundation entered its second century of service, we had an even more ambitious fundraising goal of \$360 million. At the convention in Toronto in June, outgoing Trustee Chair Paul A. Netzel told attendees that we once again had a landmark year for our Foundation, setting a one-year fundraising record of \$373 million.

This year our fundraising goal totals \$380 million. Our goal for polio is \$50 million, which will be turned into \$150 million through the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation matching grant. Add to that a \$137 million goal for the Annual Fund, \$61.5 million for the Endowment Fund, and \$31.5 million for global grant cash and other outright gifts, and our many programs

## The Rotary Foundation

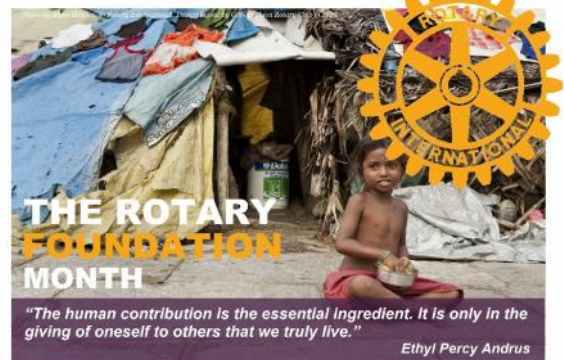


will be fully funded and Rotarians will be completely equipped and empowered to continue making real change.

Now, it's up to you and me. We have the chance to forge a path of ever-increasing relevance and influence — to choose the direction and tempo of the Foundation's second century.

I'm challenging you to increase your involvement in our Foundation — by doing, by giving, and by inspiring. Together we can make tomorrow even brighter than today. We can make every month Rotary Foundation Month. So, *Be the Inspiration*, build your Rotary legacy, and let's make this yet another landmark year in our history.

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## CAPTURE THE MOMENT IN HAMBURG

Join us in Germany 1-5 June 2019







## DG Message



### NOVEMBER 2018: "THE ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH"

Dear friends,

November is the RI month dedicated to the **Rotary Foundation**, our foundation. 100 years ago, things seemed to be less complicated compared to how society has evolved and to the challenges we are facing today. Although we know what Arch Klumph, the Rotary International president at that time, imagined and proved could be accomplished, we can confidently say that the founder of the Rotary Foundation was insightful. It is equally true that those who followed his footsteps and stayed loyal to the Rotarian principles have managed to build an extremely powerful organization despite the critical time and all the crisis that have spread worldwide.

At international level, the most well-known program of the Rotary Foundation, implemented over the past decades, is the eradication of poliomyelitis, **"End Polio Now"**. A successful program, with significant financial investments (1.8 billion USD) made to ensure that future generations have to grow up healthy. This disease has been almost completely eradicated throughout the world, which is really a great honor for us to be a part of this influential organization, the Rotary. I will comment more on the different locations in D.2452 where Rotarians, Rotaractors, Interactors and Inner Wheel have been united in their awareness and social mobilization **Polio** campaigns: Cyprus, Lebanon, Jordan, Georgia. We achieved big success everywhere. Magic RY 2018-2019!

The Rotary Foundation achievements do not stop at only achieving success, but it looks forward for the sustainability of these achievements. Applying the sustainability principle in our projects that are related to the 6 Areas of Focus is a must, where the members of the organization are granting significant financial support, in addition to the sources outside the Rotary. We should also do not forget the projects that the Rotary implemented and which offered the desired support and touched millions of people.

Let me remind you with a **major Rotary** event that will be hosted by our District 2452, the RI current Zone 20B-future Zone 21 which will take place at Dead Sea, Jordan between 8 and 11 of November 2018 under the patronage of HRH Prince El Hassan bin Talal in the "King Hussein bin Talal Convention Centre" <http://www.rotaryinstitutejordan.org/> The program includes:

- An update on RI and The Rotary Foundation and its programs.
- A report on the polio eradication efforts.
- An open forum where participants can make recommendations to the Board.
- A chance to network, reconnect with friends, and find inspiration for continuing Rotarians' service and leadership in their communities.
- Entertainment and social outings.

During the Zone Institute, on 8th of November 2018, the District 2452 Seminar for The Rotary Foundation will be conducted by DRFCC PDG Jamil Mouawad. We will discuss more about the Rotary Foundation and the participation of District 2452 in Foundation projects. We will share experiences, keeping in mind Arch Klumph's words: "We should not live for ourselves alone, but for the joy in doing good for others."

On the other side, I would like to invite you all to participate to the **"Public Image District 245 Seminar"** which will take place in Larnaca, Cyprus on 18th of November 2018. This seminar is organized by PP Elena Tanou. The program has been sent to ALL Clubs' Presidents. We are excited to listen to famous guest speakers on new perspectives on new Rotary strategies on Public image.

The world Interact week is celebrated every year between 5 and 11 of November. On this occasion, we cordially invite the Rotary Clubs that have an Interact Clubs to conduct lectures for affiliated people, provide them a space to make the lectures, and allow them to attend the Rotary meetings in the presence of the president.

As for the Clubs that don't have an Interact Clubs yet, they have to start thinking how to create these clubs based on schools and community. Knowing that it's preferable to be school-based since participants would be under age and still under the supervision of the school teachers and monitors.

Finally, I signed on an Interact of Dubai community based sponsored by Rotary Club of Dubai.

With warmest regards, Michel P. Jazzar, Governor 2018-2019 Rotary International District 2452

## The President Corner



**Durry Atassi**  
**President 2018-2019**



Dear Fellow Rotarians,

We have completed the first 4 months of RCA's Rotary year (one third of our term) and I must say, I'm so proud of this year's board's performance enthused by the club members who have generously contributed their precious time, effort and energy for the betterment of the club and the communities. We are witnessing steady progress in our club services on all fronts and I really hope and wish that this progressive movement in serving the club and the community at large is not a fluke or just a stroke of luck, I hope that Rotary Club of Adliya members and their friends and family have realized that we need to set new standards, new set of values and certainly a higher goals.

I once heard that creating a new momentum is not the hardest part, maintaining the drive, the energy and the enthusiasm is ...! In fact - the hardest part and for those of you who are happy with what we have achieved and accomplished till now, we have not reached our goals, the journey is still long. The programs that we have initiated need to be sustained and need to continue in order to claim that they are making an impact. It indeed requires the involvement and active participation of members and people who have been watching and cheering from the sideline. The "Career Taster" is exceptionally doing well and it is a program for example that can certainly benefit the youths and young people in our community as well as the Rotarians and their family members.

I would like to remind all of you members that the actual work on the park (Diraz Park) has not started yet, we have finished the fundraising part, but the actual work of improving the park has to start soon. We still have a long way to go and finish the project and while doing so we need every one's help, support and input. For that kindly allow me to take the initiative to count you in, and ask you to do your part.

As we get ready to celebrate the National Day in Bahrain, I want to wish everyone a safe and joyful celebration with a quick reminder of how lucky and blessed we are to call Bahrain our home. Since we all have committed ourselves to do our best to improve the quality of life in this wonderful place, let's us together resolve to make Diraz Park project a success and a shining example of what Rotary is all about.

Let us all get inspired and **Be The Inspiration.**

*"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts".*  
- Winston Churchill



### IMPACT TRACKER as of 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018 ([www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org))

Total volunteer hours	Number of volunteers	Total cash contributions	Total in-kind contributions
<b>72,437,451</b> Hours	<b>13,355,955</b> People	<b>846,451,320</b> USD	<b>374,048,201</b> USD
From 131371 projects added since Showcase launched in 2013			



## RCA CLUB ACTIVITIES:

**RC Adliya organized Cricket Tournament on 2nd Nov. 2018 at the Rugby Club, Saar, to raise funds for the Diraz Park Renovation Project.**

The tournament was a great success! Dadabai Holding won with great spirits. RC Adliya thanks all the teams for their participation.

### TEAMS:

- Alpha Fire Services
- Awali Taverners
- BMMI
- Bahrain Rugby Juniors
- Dadabai Holdings
- Dadabhai Travel
- Y.K. Almoayyed
- Yateem Air-conditioning

RC Adliya thanks all the sponsors for their kind support and cooperation.



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# 2018 ANNUAL CRICKET TOURNAMENT

**RAISING MONEY FOR DIRAZ PARK PLAYGROUND**

**FRIDAY**  
2ND NOV

11AM - 6PM  
RUGBY CLUB, SAAR

**HOSTED BY** **BAHRAIN RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

**1ST PRIZE** RETURN TICKET TO ISTANBUL DONATED BY DADABHAI TRAVEL

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## RCA Charity Cricket World Cup 2018



*"Knocking other Charity Events for Six"*

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## RC A DLIYA PROJECT FOR YOUTHS: CAREER TASTERS

RCA's **Career Tasters** program kicked off the first visit today focusing on entrepreneurship and startups! Special thanks to Brinc Batelco for providing the space for the day, as well as @nestvc\_mena and @tamkeenbahrain for talking to the Tasters about the great work they do and encouraging an entrepreneurial mindset!





**“7ewar” RC ADLIYA PROJECT FOR YOUTHS:**

On 11th Nov. 2018 RC Adliya conducted the first 7ewar forum at the BIBF campus, with the aim of providing a unique platform for Millennials to meet and debate with Generation X and Baby-boomers.  
(photo courtesy Bahrain This Month)





**RCA CLUB Social Evening: RCA Social Evening 29th October 2018****RCA Meeting 5th Nov. 2018**

Guest Speaker Mr. Faeq Al Olaiwat, a pioneer designer, innovation architect, creative director and brands architect with more than 25 years of experience in the field of creative communication and innovation. Topic: The Effect of Design Thinking.

**RCA Meeting 12th Nov. 2018:**

Guest Speaker Ms. Yogi Mary Justine. Head of Women's Crisis Center International (WCCI). Topic: How the organization supports women in crisis in Bahrain.

**Why you shouldn't be afraid to take risks**

By Daniel Vankov, Immediate Past President, Rotary Club of Brisbane, Australia



Rotary's secret is cooperation. Alone we are useless. Together we are powerful. And together in a million we are unstoppable.



John Smerdon and Daniel Vankov prepare sausage sizzle for the homeless in Brisbane.

I had the honor of serving as president of the Rotary Club of Brisbane in 2017-18. It was a task that was not only challenging, but highly rewarding. My desire had been to make a difference, which also happened to be the theme 2017-18 Rotary President Ian Riseley put forward for the year.

Reflecting back, I realize that at that point of time, I was unprepared in many ways for the enormity of it, given my limited exposure to both Rotary and the club. But I embraced the opportunity I was given with a passion and desire to learn and grow as a person and as a Rotarian. And I had many great former presidents to learn from.

One thing in particular I learned, and it would be my advice to those that follow, is to take risks. We would not have achieved anything as a club had we not been willing to try new things and assume the risks that entails. When you change nothing, nothing changes. One should not fear failing, one should fear not trying.

My favorite quote from Mark Twain is this:

*"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."*

(source: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org))