



WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Minutes of Club Meeting on February 2

Sorry, minutes not ready, yet. Will be published, next week!

Rotary 101

By Diamond Lalji , Membership & President Elect 2006-07

Philosophy 101, Economics 101, History 101, Sociology 101. And then there is Rotary 101! Does that ring a bell? First lessons at University tend to be named 101s. What about Rotary 101?! Well, here is some History 101 for Rotary 101. On 23rd February 1905 four men entered a small downtown Chicago office belonging to one Paul Harris to discuss the weather, their relatives back home, and about starting a booster club. That booster club was the conception of Rotary.

Thursday, 23rd February 2006 is a lucky coincidence for us since it would be World Understanding Day and also our fellowship day. World Understanding Day is the day we celebrate our founding and also highlight world understanding and peace which is one of our objectives. On that day, we have lunch beginning 12.00pm at the Intercontinental Hotel @ Kshs.1,000 and General Elijah Sumbeiywo will be the Guest Speaker. He will be talking about his experience as the main facilitator of the Sudanese Peace Process.

Still, during this month, advancing world understanding and peace, which is expressed in the fourth part of the Object of Rotary, (The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service) is an important focus of Rotarian service. It is the impetus for numerous service efforts and other cooperative ventures among Rotarians from different parts of the world.

It is the reason Rotary International has a long-standing, close collaboration with the United Nations and many of its member agencies. Rotary by the way did play a critical role in the formation of the United Nations.

Rotary A to Z

Glossary of Rotary terms

[As compiled by DG Abdulhamid Aboo. Every week—space permitting—we will continue to bring you new Rotary terms. This A-Z will also be published on our website]

3H Grants Program

Through The Rotary Foundation's Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants program, the Foundation provides major grants from US \$100,000 to \$300,000 for club and district sponsored international projects that improve health, alleviate hunger, and enhance human and social development as a means of advancing international understanding, goodwill and peace.

85 Rule

Rotarians whose years in Rotary and age add up to 85 or above, are exempted from attendance.

Acting Governor

One who is appointed by the president to fill a vacancy in the office of governor until such time as a new governor has been elected by the convention or the RI Board. An acting governor also may be appointed to fill a temporary vacancy during a time when the governor is unable to fulfil the responsibilities of the office.

Active Member

A member of a club who has been elected to membership in the club under a classification of business or profession and who has all the obligations, responsibilities, and privileges of membership as provided in the RI constitution and bylaws.

Admission Fee

Fee paid to a club by an applicant for membership in the club. The fee varies according to the amount specified by each club in its bylaws.

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Next Meetings

Thursday, 9 February 2006, 12.30

Club Meeting at Grand Regency

Sgt-at-Arms: Przemek Boback/Valter Donati

Event: Talk by Ms. Truphena Seroney, Chairperson of the Special Olympics on "Sports for the Mentally Challenged"

Rotarian in Charge: Sylvia Mwichuli

Thursday, 16 February 2006, 12.30

Club Meeting at Grand Regency

Sgt-at-Arms: Gopinath Bhatt/Juergen Ender

Event: Talk by PP Arun Devani, Chairman Kenya Association of Manufacturers (KAM) on "My Experience as the Chairman of KAM"

Thursday, 23 February 2006, 12.30

Club Meeting at Grand Regency

Sgt-at-Arms: Mariam Lugonzo/Michael Burton

Event: World Understanding Day—Arthur Mattii and Mari Nelson

February is World Understanding Month

Attendance Update

M=Thursday Fellowship

TTL=including committee meetings, projects, events, etc.

	M	TTL
Avg JUL:	60%	68%
Avg AUG:	59%	70%
Avg SEP:	72%	88%
Avg OCT:	57%	69%
Avg NOV:	67%	71%
Avg DEC:	50%	70%
Avg JAN:	54%	
Jan 05, 2006	47%	
Jan 12, 2006	57%	
Jan 19, 2006	61%	
Jan 26, 2006	50%	
Feb 2, 2006		

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During this month, we are urged to embark on programmes that promote international understanding and goodwill.

As mentioned by President Eric Krystall at the last fellowship, we are leading in the world, yes leading in the whole world in the number of Individual Grants! These grants are given to doctors from other countries who come here to provide free medical services.

This month provides an opportunity for Rotary to reflect and build on its partnerships with various organisations and also inform the world on its diversity and internationality in addition to its activities.

And how can we as a club and even individual members promote world understanding and peace? Picture this first. Globalization and the information and communications revolution has brought the world closer like never before. But do we have world peace? World understanding and tolerance? No! So, we as a club, and as individuals still have a great role to play. But how? Here are a few pointers; firstly, at the Rotary club of Nairobi we may choose to do nothing! Yes we can do nothing. Why the complacency?

Well, our 100 plus membership is a rich tapestry of world cultures. But we can't afford to be complacent, and we have to act. Here are those pointers....

- Let's build friendships and bridges among ourselves through fellowship.
- Let's create understanding and tolerance in all aspects of our lives.
- Let's enhance our international projects and partnerships with other clubs.
- Let's welcome Rotarians from other Districts in our homes.
- Let's Make Up when we travel abroad and tell other clubs about our club.
- Let's support Rotary's peace programmes.
- Let's support cultural and educational exchange programmes like hosting Group Study Exchange participants.
- Let's attend District Conferences and RI Conventions and make new friends and contacts.

In ending, owing to Rotary's internationality we have the exceptional responsibility to promote peace and goodwill. That way, in our own little individual and collective way we can create WORLD UNDERSTANDING AND PEACE!

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Alternate (delegate)

Any club may, at the time of selecting its delegates to the convention, choose for each delegate one alternate, such alternate being entitled to vote at the convention in case of the absence of the delegate for whom the alternate was chosen.

Ambassadorial Scholarships of the Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships programme is the world's largest privately funded international scholarships programme and are awarded for study or training in another country where Rotary clubs are located.

Assembly, Club

Meeting of all club officers, directors, and committee chairs, held for the purpose of conferring on the program and activities of the club.

Assembly, District

A training meeting conducted annu-

ally, preferably in April or May, of club presidents-elect and members of clubs assigned by the club president-elect to serve in key leadership roles in the upcoming year. It provides a program of instruction to develop club leaders who have the necessary skills, knowledge, and motivation to improve club effectiveness as defined by the RI Board as well as an opportunity to share local and district plans and objectives.

Assembly, International

Annual meeting attended by general officers, governors-elect, RI committee chairs, and others designated by the RI Board. Its purpose is to provide Rotary education, instruction in administrative duties, motivation, and inspiration to governors-elect and to afford them and others in attendance an opportunity to discuss and plan how to implement Rotary's programs and activities during the ensuing year.

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For your Diary

Thursday, 23 February 2006, Hotel Intercontinental, 12.00 noon:

WORLD UNDERSTANDING LUNCHEON

Tickets for Kshs 1,000 can be booked with Kevin (M: 0722-492955).



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Our Vision:

To remain the leading Rotary Club in Kenya and beyond, where dynamic members enjoy bringing great benefit to their community

Our Mission:

To implement high impact service projects in education, in health, with youth and elsewhere, while members enjoy each others' fellowship

Our values:

- Commitment
- Care
- Humility
- Friendliness
- Trustworthiness
- Responsiveness

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