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# 13<sup>th</sup> Regular Weekly Meeting Via Zoom

November 17, 2021 \* 7:00 PM

# Program

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Call to Order.....Pres. Michael Chellathurai

Ecumenical Prayer, Singing of National Anthem & Rotary Hymn & Recitation of the 4-Way Test & Object of Rotary

Introduction of Guests &

Visiting Rotarians.....Sec. Ester Gahol

# II. Programme Proper

Rotary Information &

Secretary's Report.....Sec. Ester Gahol

President's Time ...... Pres. Michael Chellathurai

# III. Club Assembly Agenda:

- 1) Governor's Visit Dec. 4
- 2) RCSD Christmas Party
- 3) Committee for Election of new set of Officers
- 4) Christmas Projects
- 5) Other matters

# IV. Show & Tell Activity

V. Closing: Announcements / Adjournment

PP Maeng Tabije
Master of Ceremonies

#### **OBJECT OF ROTARY**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular to encourage and foster:

#### FIRST:

The development to acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

#### SECOND:

High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

#### THIRD:

The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;

#### FOURTH:

The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

#### **FOUR WAY TEST**

OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

- 1st Is it the **TRUTH**?
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
- 4th Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

# **Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions**

As a Rotarian engaged in a business of profession, I am expected to:

- 1. Consider my vocation to be another opportunity of service;
- Be faithful to the letter and to the spirit of the ethical codes of my vocation, to the laws of my country, and to the moral standards of community.
- Do all in my power to dignity my vocation and to promote the highest ethical standards in my chosen vocation;
- 4. Be fair to my employer, employees, associates, competitors, customers, the public and all those with whom I have a business or professional relationship;
- Recognize the honor and respect due to all occupations which are useful to the society;
- Offer my vocational talents to provide opportunities for the relief of the special needs of others, and to improve the quality of life in my community;
- Adhere to honesty in advertising and in all representations to the public concerning my business or profession;
- Neither seek from nor grant to a fellow Rotarian a privilege or advantage not normally accorded to others in a business or professional relationship.

# **ROTARY MONTHLY THEME**

JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
New Leadership Month 26-30 – District bloodletting activity	Membership & New Club Development Month	AREAS OF FOCUS Basic Education & Literacy	AREAS OF FOCUS Economic & Community Development
NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
Rotary Foundation Month	AREAS OF FOCUS Disease Prevention & Treatment	Vocational Service	AREAS OF FOCUS Peace and Conflict Prevention Resolution
MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
AREAS OF FOCUS Water and Sanitation	AREAS OF FOCUS Maternal and Child Health	Youth Service	Rotary Fellowship

# Rotary Information...

# Young Ugandan Activist Speaks Out About Climate Change in Africa

Vanessa Nakate, a 24-year-old climate activist from Uganda, made international headlines after the World Economic Forum's 2020 meeting in Davos, Switzerland. But the story wasn't what she said about the climate crisis. The story was that her name and photo were missing from media coverage of the event.

Nakate was one of five young climate activists, including Time magazine's 2019 person of the year, Greta Thunberg, who had participated in a press conference at the event. But the photo that the Associated Press released to global news outlets included only the four activists from Europe; Nakate, the only Black climate activist in the group, had been cropped out. A video that she made in response went viral, and Nakate has since made it a personal crusade to amplify voices that are not being heard in the climate movement.

"Being cropped out of that photo changed me. I became bolder and more direct in how I talk about the climate crisis and racism and how I articulate the many ways families are being impacted right now," she writes in her book, A Bigger Picture: My Fight to Bring a New African Voice to the Climate Crisis, which is being released on 2 November. "I decided, from my perspective as a young African woman, that I would dedicate as much of my time as possible to addressing the many interlocking facets of the climate crisis, environmental justice, and gender discrimination — and to do so without apology or fear of erasure."

Nakate asserts that voices sharing real experiences are there, but aren't being listened to or amplified.

"Everything regarding what we were experiencing in my country and what we were seeing on the continent of Africa had come out of my mouth, but it never actually reached people."

"I don't have full knowledge of what our fellow activists are seeing unfold in their countries, in Kenya or India or South Africa. I may have known that Zimbabwe faced a water crisis, but I didn't know how valuable water was until I talked to an activist from there."

Although the African continent is responsible for a mere 3 percent of global CO2 emissions in recent decades, Africans are suffering from brutal effects. Nakate's home of Uganda has experienced floods, landslides and droughts. A locust invasion throughout East Africa devastated food resources. Rising lakes contaminated water resources while others shrunk to 1/10th their size from 50 years ago.

"We cannot have climate justice if some people are being left behind. We cannot have climate justice if the most affected communities are not being listened to."

On her path to becoming a climate powerhouse, Nakate was influenced by her father, Paul Mugambe, a longtime Rotary member. As president of the Rotary Club of Bugolobi in 2017-18, Mugambe helped coordinate a five-year project, Mission Green, in which

clubs in District 9211 (Uganda and Tanzania) planted trees in communities across their district. (In photos from the 2019 United Nations climate talks in Madrid, where she was invited to speak, Nakate was wearing a Mission Green polo shirt that her father had given her.)

"Watching my dad as a leader of Mission Green sowed a seed that made me decide to be a voice of change," she tells Rotary magazine. "His courage and his action inspired me to find my voice and to stand up for what I believe is important and what is needed in society.

100 Number of people who died in the Sudans as a result of floods in 2020.

Galvanized by the tree-planting project, Nakate decided to embark on an environmental project of her own as she finished her degree in business administration from Makerere University in Kampala. As she researched the challenges that people in her community were facing, she was surprised to discover that climate change was at the heart of many of them. In January 2019, she began protesting at public sites around Kampala, demanding climate action as part of the global Fridays for Future movement begun by Thunberg in Sweden a few months before. Nakate later founded the Rise Up Movement as a platform for African voices in the global climate change discussion. On the grassroots level, Nakate has also worked to install solar panels and eco-friendly stoves in schools.

Nakate emphasizes the importance of including local voices during Rotary projects to provide a sense of accountability and community involvement but also to ensure a project continues once the project team leaves.

"When community members are involved in the implementation, they're not just receiving the project, they're also receiving education about the project. Then when you leave, there are people who can still manage that project so that it can continue to sustain the community."

Nakate encourages Rotary members to use their platforms to raise awareness of the climate crisis and share the work being done.

1,300 Number of people left dead as a result of Cyclone Idai in March 2020 with many more missing.

"Every activist has a story to tell, every story has a solution, and every solution can change a life." She also suggests supporting the grassroots projects that activists are doing in their communities. "It doesn't matter how small a project or activity is. If I'm doing something, and you're doing something, and another person is doing something — if millions of us are doing projects in our communities — if we put them together, we will change the world. "

Interestingly, Nakate notes that girls and women are disproportionately affected by the climate crisis. In some countries, when climate disasters cause families to lose everything, male children are prioritized for school and the girls have to drop out. This increases risk of early marriage, as well as being the primary providers-traveling long distanced to collect food and water for their families, exposing them to disease and gender violence.

"Surely this is what Rotary International means — to be people of action," Nakate said in a speech at the 2021 Rotary Convention. "So let's stop talking and start taking action. And the action must start today."

The extended Q&A version of this story originally appeared in the November 2021 issue of *Rotary* magazine.



# **Secretary's Report**

**Ester Gahol** Club Secretary

# Comparative Weekly Attendance

	Oct. 20	Oct. 30	Nov. 6	Nov. 11
CLUB MEMBERSHIP	20	20	20	20
HONORARY MEMBER	05	05	05	05
PRESENT	08	10	07	12
ON LEAVE	00	00	00	00
ABSENT	12	10	13	80
MADE UP	01	01	00	00
ATTENDANCE % BASE	20	20	20	20
WEEK AVERAGE	45.00%	55.00%	35.00%	60.00%

### Happy Birthday!!!

Nov. 09 – CDTO Harold Abellana 22 – Rtn. Glaiza Canada

## **Happy Anniversary!!!**

Nov. 28 – PP Rudy & Sp. Ana Abellana



## **Reminder:**

Nov. 19-21, 2021 – Ride to END POLIO

Dec. 4, 2021 - Governor's Visit Roadway Inn 9am – 12:00NN

Dec. 11, 2021 – RCSD Christmas Party Hotel Tropika, 6PM



# The President's Corner

Michael Gerard Chellathurai
Club President

Hi Fellow Rotarians (southerners).

Its very Heartening that our Club had reached out to the children in far away places that really need our support for their schooling and wellbeing. Thank you fellow Rotarians for making it possible.

I would like to Thank our Caring Loving club members who had already contributed to the Rotary Foundation and End Polio now.

Caring and Loving members who want to contribute to the Rotary Foundation and End Polio now, please contact our ever ready hard working Chat who will be glad to assist you.

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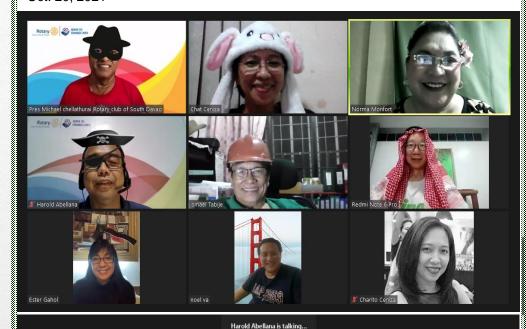
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## RCSD 12th E-meeting... Classification talk of Rtn. Harold Abellana Oct. 20, 2021





RCSD Halloween Fellowship... Hotel Tropika. Oct. 30, 2021

































RC South Davao handover of goods, clothing, water jugs, blankets, children's books, etc. to Fr. Stanley for the indigenous people of Marahan, Davao City.

Nov. 6, 2021











RC South Davao in joint ventures with RC Bentleigh Moorabbin Central (Australia) handover of computers, printer, tables, ink and bond papers to the representatives of the Mindanao Tribal School in Valencia, Bukidnon.

Nov. 6, 2021











RCSD Beach Fellowship at Sec. Ester's Resort in Samal. Nov. 11, 2021

























Lunch fellowship at Highway 81 after the turnover of projects.



Area 2 Committee Meeting (ACOM) Roadway Inn. Nov. 12, 2021





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