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Mouawad. “After all, who — no matter what their political or religious views — could argue with providing clean water for children?”

The effort could not have come at a better time. With the crisis in Syria, Lebanon’s population is ballooning with refugees, including many school-age children. By improving the schools these kids attend, Rotary members are laying the groundwork for future peace in the region.

The committee is working in cooperation with the Ministry of Education, World Vision, UNICEF, and the Red Cross. Red Cross volunteers take water samples in each of the schools a few times a year and send those samples to the Lebanese Agricultural Laboratory Institute for testing.

According to the committee’s technical team, it will cost roughly \$2,500 a school to install water tanks, filters, and provide ongoing monitoring. About 200 schools have been covered so far. The goal is to reach all 1,535 schools within three years.

The Four-Way Test

Rotary’s Four-Way Test is a non-partisan and nonsectarian ethical guide for Rotarians to use for their personal and professional relationships. The test has been translated into more than 100 languages, and Rotarians recite it at club meetings.

Of the things we think, say or do...

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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NEIGHBORING CLUBS

Monday:	Eminence-Henry County Public Library	12:00 noon
	Owenton-Smith House	12:10 p.m.
Tuesday:	Lexington Sunrise-Shriners Hospital	7:00 a.m.
	Georgetown-Galvin's on Main (Downtown).....	12:00 noon
	Shelbyville-Centenary United Methodist.....	12:00 noon
Thursday:	Lawrenceburg-Anderson Co. Extension Ofc.....	12:00 noon
	Lexington-Fasig Tipton.....	12:00 noon
	Louisville-Galt House.....	12:10 p.m.

**The Rotary Club of Frankfort Meets Every
 Wednesday at the Capital Plaza Hotel
 From 11:45 a.m. Until 1:00 p.m.**

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Next Week's Meeting...

Don't forget there's no zoom meeting next week! We're going to be in person all the way and remember to bring a box or sack lunch and meet us in the Jack Williams Pavilion at Juniper Hill Park, 800 Louisville Rd. Please join us as we celebrate the end of 2020-21 and cheer on new President Diane Dehoney and her board! Regular meeting time of noon but feel free to come early and stay late.

A response from speaker Blair Hecker to a club member's question at yesterday's meeting-

"After consulting with the city attorney pertaining to gun laws within the Entertainment Destination Center (EDC) boundaries, my response is still correct – the EDC does not override any existing ABC regulations, city ordinances, or state statutes. The state regulates carry and conceal laws and our EDC designation doesn't have any effect on those. All existing laws remain the same, for both public and private property."

A note from President Donna

Thanks to all who answered the call for Rotary Foundation contributions to push us over the Star Club top! You opened your hearts, your wallets, and your checkbooks and now we can continue to receive triple grant matches for our community service projects. Service Above Self is what it's all about!

Make-ups Needed for June 23

Houston Barber	Judy Mattingly
Chris Boni	Katina Mickens
MC Brown	Melinda Nunley
RB Brown	Chris Olds
John Browning	Lyda Phillips
Kristin Cantrell	Brenda Rice
Will Coblin	Christine Richards
Ed Dance	Sonia Sanders
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Chuck Dickinson	Calen Studler
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Alex Fitzgerald	Stephen Sutley
George Gill	Jim Terrell
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Zachary Horn	Richard Watkins
Andrew Kent	Dave Weller
Harry Kirch	Amzie Wenning
Mark Kopp	Tyler West
Cathy Lindsey	Rodney Williams
Sam Marcus	Gary Zheng

Board Action

The board approved new member Chris Hardcaste contingent upon no negative response after publication in the newsletter.

Raffle

This week's raffle item was donated by Presley Winner.

Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep fellow Rotarian Lloyd Hillard in your thoughts and prayers in the recent passing of his wife Judy.

Water project unites Lebanon clubs across all divides

from www.rotary.org • By Arnold R. Grahl

A project to provide clean water to all of Lebanon's schools is uniting leaders from many of the country's diverse religious, cultural, and political divisions.

In 2011, Rotary members in northern Lebanon decided to install new tanks and water filters in a few nearby schools with the help of a Rotary Foundation grant. The idea caught on and a few other clubs followed suit.

Two years later, District 2452 Gov. Jamil Mouawad and other district leaders saw the potential of creating one giant water project that could reach every school and involve all 24 of the country's Rotary clubs. They formed a committee to handle publicity and gather technical knowledge, while each club was asked to provide volunteers, contribute funds, apply for grants, and secure contributions from outside organizations.

"Every student has the right to drink clean water. It goes without saying that clean drinking water leads to less diseases, healthier students, and consequently, better education," says Mouawad. "The bigger the challenge, the greater its positive impact on humanity."

While clean water is the main objective, the leaders also saw the effort as a means of helping heal Lebanon's long history of sectarian strife. A civil war divided the country from 1975 to 1990, leaving an estimated 120,000 people dead. In recent years, Lebanon's government is a shifting coalition of religions, political parties, and sects.



Lina Shehayeb, president of the Rotary Club of Aley, is a Druze by faith. Shehayeb says working alongside club members who are Catholic, Maronite, Greek Orthodox, Armenian Orthodox, and Muslim to promote the project has deepened her understanding of those with different religious or political views.

"We are building peace and understanding," she says. "There has never been anything quite like this in our country."

Even the distribution of club responsibilities is designed to foster peace. Each club is responsible for a certain number of schools, some in their area but some in a totally separate region. The clubs nominate a project coordinator, find qualified suppliers, arrange for sponsors, and allocate contributions from sponsors, district funds, and global grants to finance the installation of filters in the schools.

"For example a club from Jounieh, a Christian resort town north of Beirut, might be assigned schools in the southern mountains near the Israeli border, an area that is considerably poorer and primarily Shia Muslim," explains

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