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Editorial

NOËL, C'EST VOUS...

Nous venons de tourner la dernière page de l'agenda 2019 et nous voici prêts à aborder 2020. Décrire 2019 en un mot? Non, je ne rentrerai pas dans ses tourbillons pour éviter d'enfoncer le clou et dire qu'elle était froissante pour la plupart d'entre nous et pour le pays.

Pour les Jeunes, c'était Noël toute l'année! 2019 a été remplie de succès, de nouvelles idées, d'accomplissements, de musique et d'aspiration. Parlons grand de 2019 en quelques mots! Un peu plus de 300 volontaires engagés auprès d'environ 600 personnes malades et dans le besoin sur tout le territoire libanais, à travers un peu plus de 80 actions durant l'année écoulée et avec l'aide de plus de 200 donateurs. Des chiffres que nous portons très haut et qui nous donne la persévérance de poursuivre notre service, maintenant plus que jamais. Tant de sourires dessinés, tant de larmes de bonheur coulées, tant de mains tendues pour offrir une lueur d'espoir aux pauvres et aux malades. Avec nous, le monde est différent...il est meilleur!

Nous continuerons à voler des ailes pour construire ce Liban de nos promesses. Nous rêverons, nous chercherons et nous désirerons les horizons. 2020, de quoi seras-tu faite? Les Jeunes te réserve un calendrier riche en espérance, en paix et en innovation. Prêts? Toujours! Embarquons vers de nouvelles aventures! Je n'achèverai pas cet editorial sans remercier, au nom des Jeunes, toute personne qui nous a soutenu et a su valoir notre cause durant 2019.

Volontaires, donateurs, collaborateurs et amis des Jeunes, Noël c'est vous dans tout son esprit. Merci est un petit mot...

Nour Moghabghab - Présidente des Jeunes de l'Ordre de Malte au Liban



"I ask you not about your race, your color, nor your religion, but tell me what your suffering is."

- LOUIS PASTEUR

The youth 



Kids With Down Syndrome Weekend Camp

CHABROUH



On the 12th and 13th of October 2019, I had the opportunity to participate in a camp hosting individuals with Down syndrome. As volunteers, we made it our goal to make this experience one that they would always remember with joy. For that reason, we engaged into multiple activities since the moment they arrived up until their moment of departure. In each step of the way we all felt that the bond between our guests and us was developing into comprehension, understanding and attachment. Most importantly, for many of us, this was either our first volunteering camp or our first Down Syndrome camp which made it a very challenging experience and one that really helped us grow as people.

Alexi Habr - Lebanese Volunteer

For the past couple of years, I have been planning on attending one of the Chabrouh Camps and I finally did when at the last minute one of the camp leaders contacted me in need of a volunteer! I am so glad and thankful that I packed my bags and headed to Chabrouh. I didn't know what to expect, what I will be doing, where will I sleep, who will be there, and how will the experience make me feel! After attending the camp, I can assure you that every detail exceeded my expectations. The people are lovely, the leaders are amazing, the setting is peaceful and the guests filled my heart with joy. It was my first camp ever and it feels like butterflies in my stomach whenever I think of it. Thank you everyone for making it wonderful!

Stephanie El Gemayel - Lebanese Volunteer



Guests of Psychiatric Hospitals Outing

BYBLOS, JBEIL



What could be a better way to spend a Saturday than by sharing laughter and love! That's why the Order of Malta decided to take the guests of the psychiatric hospital for a beautiful day in Byblos. On the 5th of October, at 12h sharp, guests and volunteers started their day together as the busses left to the coast. It was clearly the start of a joyous day. Once parked, the guests couldn't hold in their excitement and began wandering in the public park of the coastal city. Always hand in hand, guests and volunteers were bonding, laughing and taking advantage of the luckily nice weather. Yalla nekol! And lunch was served. After devouring our meals, the group headed to the sea for a boat ride. And what a ride it was! The guests' smiles couldn't get any bigger! The entire team was enjoying the strong sun and the beautiful landscape, the boats were filled with songs and good spirits and the hearts were filled with joy and peace. The boat ride was an escape for the guests and they took advantage of every second of it. Back on the coast, the sad part arrives: going back and ending our afternoon together. As we arrived back to Deir el Salib and accompanied the guests back to their rooms, a feeling of sadness was taking over but followed with the excitement for the following activity with them!

Cloe Hajjar - Lebanese Volunteer





Noël c'est toi

Noël, c'est toi
quand tu décides de renaître chaque jour
et de laisser Dieu pénétrer ton âme.
Le sapin de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu résistes vigoureusement
aux vents et aux obstacles de la vie
Les décorations de Noël, c'est toi
quand tes vertus sont les couleurs
qui ornent ta vie
La cloche qui sonne Noël, c'est toi
quand tu invites à se rassembler,
et tentes de réunir
Tu es aussi la lumière de Noël
quand tu éclaires de ta présence
le chemin des autres
par ta bonté, ta patience, ta joie et ta générosité.
Les anges de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu chantes au monde
un message de paix, de justice et d'amour
L'étoile de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu conduis quelqu'un
à la rencontre du Seigneur.
Tu es aussi les Rois Mages,
quand tu offres ce que tu possèdes de mieux
sans tenir compte de celui à qui tu donnes.
La musique de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu conquiers l'harmonie qui est en toi.
Le cadeau de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu te comportes en véritable ami,
en frère avec tous les humains.
Les voeux de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu pardonnes et rétablis la paix,
même si tu souffres.
Le réveillon de Noël, c'est toi
quand tu rassasie de pain et d'espérance
le pauvre qui est auprès de toi.
Tu es la nuit de Noël
quand, humble et éveillé,
tu reçois dans le silence de la nuit
le Sauveur du monde
sans bruit ni grande célébration ;
tu es le sourire confiant et tendre
de la paix intérieure d'un Noël éternel
qui instaure son royaume en toi.
Joyeux Noël à tous ceux
qui se reconnaissent dans l'esprit de Noël.

Pape François, extrait de son livre "L'esprit de Noël"





Masquerade Ball For Children With Disability With The Happy Childhood Foundation

USJ SOCIAL SCIENCES CAMPUS

The most precious thing in the world is watching a child smile, but the best feeling in the world is knowing you had a part to play in putting that smile on his or her face. The energy, happiness, and creativity I saw disadvantaged children spread what was unparalleled. They made masks, danced, ran, participated in a photoshoot, and sang- all of which in turn led me to smile. The most beautiful part though was listening as they thanked us, but the truth is I was the thankful one. I was thankful to have met amazing kids that truly understood what it meant to live: love and happiness. Yet another sight that warmed my heart was volunteering alongside a group of foreigners who have decided to spend a few months in Lebanon to help. I found it refreshing to find that humanity hasn't lost its heart just yet. I am grateful to have been a part of this heartfelt event and plan to be part of countless more.

Robin Abboud - Lebanese Volunteer

Special thanks to Mrs. Janis Sarraf Tabet for the amazing photoshoot of the kids and the volunteers!





Christmas Lunch In Collaboration With Who is Hussein

USJ MEDICAL CAMPUS



Who said Christmas can't be celebrated early? With the help of the USJ club and in collaboration with Who Is Hussain, the Youth organized a Christmas lunch for the centres' families on the 7th of December. And the only thing missing was snow! Decorations and music filled the room as joy and excitement filled our hearts. The guests arrived and were seated in time for an amazing performance presented by the USJ Music Club that made everyone sing and dance. While waiting for lunch, guests were busy taking pictures in our photo booth, chatting with the volunteers, and singing Christmas songs. Then the feast began. As the volunteers were filling the plates, the guests were enjoying the amazing food. All eating side-by-side, everyone chatted and shared our lives stories which made it feel like a heart-warming Christmas! Last but not least, our guests enjoyed the gifts handed out to them by our volunteers.

Cloe Hajjar - Lebanese Volunteer

In this time of the year, it's an amazing feeling to spend time with people we love especially with elders because they give us the warmth of their hearts and their tenderness. The elders from Nabaa were thrilled to have lunch with the young volunteers of both NGOs (The Order of Malta and Who Is Hussain) filled with joy and Christmas spirit. Sharing these moments with "Who Is Hussain" is special. Hand in hand, we prepared together an unforgettable day to our guests. The event came to reconfirm to me that the world is becoming a better place, that humanity comes first and that there is no difference between race, religion, age, etc. To me, Christmas is the most amazing time of the year!

Georges Diab - Lebanese Volunteer





Down Syndrome Christmas Activity

ATCL



On the first day of December I lost my grandfather, a month after losing my uncle, and for me Christmas was ruined. But it's by giving 5 hours of my day on Saturday December 14th that I got Christmas back in my heart. In such short amount of time, the downie kids put a huge smile on my face as I received the biggest amount of love and affection from them, I was taught tidiness and I was showered with hugs and kisses all morning. I went to the event with a will of helping and bringing joy to people, I left the event helped with an unbelievable amount of joy in my heart. This might sound cliché but I would like to thank the Order of Malta for giving me the chance of finally understanding all those words.

Amal Azar - Lebanese Volunteer

Banque Alimentaire 2019

Cette année, les routiers du groupe Sacré-Coeur Gemayze ont participé à la banque alimentaire annuelle en collaboration avec les jeunes de l'Ordre de Malte. Cette initiative soutient le programme de parrainage des personnes âgées tout au long de l'année 2020. Nous nous sommes répartis dans différents supermarchés à Beyrouth afin de collecter, gérer et partager des denrées alimentaires aux démunies. Cette action se fonde sur la gratuité, le don, le partage et le bénévolat, telle est notre mission.

Elie Feghali-Clan des Routiers, Groupe Sacré-Cœur Gemmayze

Together Against Hunger! With the rise of hunger in Lebanon along the recent crisis that took place recently, Hunger has become a daily reality for many Lebanese. Almost Half a million Lebanese are hungry every day and live within a 4\$ per day. The Youth of the Order of Malta in Lebanon teamed up this year with SDL-Group Sacré-Coeur Gemmayze Scouts who helped us gather 100's of food units to serve 100's of families during these hard moments. This won't be our first and last food bank, it will be a continuous program through the year to fight hunger in Lebanon and supply the basic need in life which is food. Thank you for all volunteers, families, supermarkets who helped and supported our cause.

Rabih Dib - Lebanese Volunteer - Team Leader

The Youth of the Order of Malta would like to express their gratitude to the Sacré-Coeur Gemmayze Scouts for their will to collaborate with them during Christmas by supporting the food bank initiative in favor of the elderly. The Youth would like to thank as well the following supermarket for being responsive to the food bank initiative: Fahed Supervalue, Spinneys, Happy and Le Charcutier Aoun.





Veillée de Noël avec la Chorale des Jeunes

EGLISE SAINT ELIE KANTARI



SI NOËL M'ÉTAIT CONTÉ...OU CHANTÉ

Tout commence à Chabrouh alors qu'un groupe s'entraînait
Pour finir par une veillée organisée
un dimanche 15 décembre assez agité
qui occupait tous les libanais.

Guidé par le maestro Père Khalil Rahmé
patience et imagination fut ses mots clés
pour entrainer des jeunes volontaires assez motivés.
Respirer, se recentrer et chanter
en ayant le cœur un peu qui vacillait
telle était notre nouvelle routine adoptée
pour donner un avant-goût de Noël dans un Liban contesté
mais un Liban qui nous fait toujours vibrer
au son de l'espoir et de la continuité
pour un meilleur avenir truffé d'opportunités.
Entre une prière sur la Nativité
et une méditation bien méritée
Père Antoine Assaf guide nos pensées
en tenant de petites bougies en bronze allumées
qui à côté de la crèche seront déposées
au son d'un piano et d'une guitare bien accordés
et des chants doux ou rythmés.

De "Vive le vent" et "Tiens ma lampe allumée"
en passant par une medley enchaînée,
les yeux scintillaient et les applaudissements s'intensifiaient
pour conclure que la soirée fut un véritable succès.
Une veillée suivie d'un buffet et d'un verre arrosé;
ces verres qui fut lever pour célébrer
les efforts fournis, la créativité débordante et la ténacité
non pas d'une poignée de volontaires enthousiasmés,
non pas d'une jeunesse privilégiée,
mais de toute une génération déterminée et engagée
comme une flamme qui ne cesse de se raviver
comme un espoir d'un lendemain rêvé
dans une patrie enflammée et blessée
mais prête à reconstruire et redémarrer.
Et pour le public qui a manqué la soirée,
Soyez aux aguets
car les jeunes ne font que commencer!

Nour Cattouf et Lamya Moghabghab - Volontaires
Libanaises

Christmas Camp CHABROUH

Being my first time going to Chabrouh I didn't know
what to expect, but what I experienced was beyond
anything I could have imagined. I thought that I would
simply be giving back to those in need, but it turned out that
they had so much more to give to me. At times, it may have
been a struggle; but in the course of giving back you actually
receive much more. Putting a smile on the face of someone
fighting a battle and seeing the joy reflecting off their faces
makes it impossible not to feel their happiness in your heart.
I was amazed by the amount of good energy, joy, and love
that was being exchanged during this camp. The experience
you get from seeing others wholeheartedly tend to people
in pain, without asking for anything in return is inexplicable.
In just 6 days, we were able to befriend new people, work on
our spirituality, learn what really matters in life, and help our
guests remember what it's like to be happy and loved. This
camp gave me the opportunity to disconnect from my busy
life and just focus on the little things that have the biggest
impact. I cannot wait for the next camp to do it all over again!

Christina Issa - Lebanese Volunteer





Family & Friends Camp

CHABROUH



We arrive at the top at 1600 meters, the familiar house is covered deep in snow. Tired, but happy we arrived "at home". The next day - the house is ready, "the groom is coming" - the guests arrive, girls and women who have never spent a holiday up here before. They are lovingly taken in the arms of each and every caretaker. It is New Year's Eve. We try to prepare a delicious meal and a little firework. We have a happy week with guests and children. We pray, play, dress up and put on make-up, everyone is happy. We are blessed, we pray with and for each other, laugh and cry, as life is.

Because it is cold outside and the snow is muddy, we cannot make little trips to nearby taverns. Therefore, in the middle of the week a bus is ordered to take the whole group to Harissa, Lebanon's sanctuary of Our LADY. Everyone comes back well ventilated, hungry and in good spirits. After five days we farewell to our friends with a happy and a sad heart and hope for them and us that we can all come back.

Angela (mami of all mamis since 1998) - German volunteer
first mami of Chabrouh!



Camp of Hope And Friendship

22 years ago I was part of the first team who came from Germany to Chabrouh to do the first camps with the boys from Deir al-Salib and since then came back numerous times (by now, I have participated to 13 one-week-camps in Chabrouh). During the first years, I came alone, later with my husband and children, and the project has always had a very special place in my heart.

The dedication and involvement of the Lebanese youth is just awesome! Some of the youth we met have served in many, many camps already during the past years, others joined only for the first time, but their engagement is overwhelming and shows me that this project has a great future. The yearly planning of camps is impressive, and the mixture of Lebanese camps and national camps with Lebanese volunteers (not only indispensable to help with translation and cultural issues, but also because they are so professional and full of ideas how to make each camp a success). Chapeau!

It is great to see that the next generation is already in pole position and slowly stepping in: during our last weekend, some of the children of the Lebanese members of the Order joined our team and did a great job in giving us a hand in many ways, and in helping to spread joy for our guests. For me, the title "Camp of hope and friendship" perfectly sums up my personal experience and I am looking forward to many more camps in Chabrouh!

Nadja de Pierpont-German Volunteer



Chabrouh ou le langage universel de l'amour

« Amour, solidarité, fraternité » : trois mots-clés à travers lesquels le nonce apostolique, Mgr Joseph Spiteri, a décrit l'action des volontaires de l'Ordre de Malte en son centre de Chabrouh, qui a reçu pour les fêtes son 36e camp de l'année au service des personnes à besoins spécifiques, avec le groupe fondateur du projet venu y célébrer le Nouvel An en soutien au pays du Cèdre.

Dix mois par an, le projet de Chabrouh vibre de cette expérience unique que représentent les camps de vacances, offerts par les bénévoles de l'Ordre de Malte venus du Liban et du monde entier, à des personnes à besoins spécifiques, généralement rejetées par leurs familles et confiées à des institutions psychiatriques et centres d'accueil débordés. Avec une seule et même mission : dessiner des sourires sur ces visages anonymes malmenés par la vie.

Ce projet du cœur, né il y a plus de 20 ans de l'initiative de Franziskus Heereman, jeune bénévole de l'Ordre de Malte en Allemagne, bouleversé par la précarité dans laquelle vivent les handicapés physiques et mentaux au Liban, et du R.P. Raymond Bou Assi, a graduellement pris de l'ampleur et acquis une remarquable dynamique et une reconnaissance internationale, passant, depuis 2009, de 6 camps annuels réunissant des bénévoles de deux nationalités uniquement (libanaise et allemande), à 36 camps et plus de 1 400 volontaires venus de 20 pays différents en 2019, pour servir près de 1 000 invités (nom donné aux personnes à besoins spécifiques qui participent aux camps).

Cet esprit de solidarité et d'amour est l'essence même de l'expérience de Chabrouh. « Elle vous transforme, confirme Patrick Jabre, responsable du projet de Chabrouh, et tous les participants en sortent enrichis, aussi bien le volontaire que l'invité. L'impact en est énorme à plusieurs niveaux : pour les invités d'abord qui, grâce à cette relation étroite d'acceptation et de tolérance, de joie, d'amitié et d'amour, se découvrent une force intérieure qui les stimulera tout au long de l'année ; et pour les volontaires surtout qui, tout en étant initiés aux notions d'esprit d'équipe, de management et de leadership, remettent en perspective les privilèges dont ils jouissent dans la vie. Cette expérience renforce la foi, la tolérance et le respect envers les autres. »

C'est là en effet le maître mot du projet de Chabrouh : l'amour. L'amour donné par des étrangers à des personnes isolées qui souffrent dans leur corps et dans leur esprit, et l'amour rendu si spontanément par ces âmes innocentes. L'amour qui émane des moments partagés, des rires et des larmes versées, des mots de réconfort et des démonstrations d'affection. L'amour qui transparaît dans un sourire reconnaissant, dans un regard attendri, dans un sourire confiant, dans une main serrée, dans un simple câlin. L'amour traduit par chaque geste effectué au service de l'autre, pauvre, malade, faible ou démuné, au service du Seigneur et de la croix dans son sens le plus profond.

Extrait de l'article paru le 8 Janvier 2020 dans l'Orient-Le

Jour écrit par Marilyse Hatem

Social Fair IC



The International College organized a social fair for its students as part of their yearly initiatives where several NGOs were represented. The Youth of the Order of Malta was very happy to take part in the event. Students were thrilled to discover our different activities and meet with some of our volunteers as they discussed their experiences through the service. The school fairs aim to raise awareness about the Youth and help us recruit new dedicated volunteer to join our big family.

LAU Social Fair JBEIL CAMPUS



The Lebanese American University organized on December 3rd a disability awareness day for its students. The Youth of the Order of Malta was represented by Maria Saade and Ramy Sawaya, both students at the university. Agonist coffee shop was also part of the event. The coffee shop, known to hire people with Down syndrome, was present in a coffee van. We were thrilled to have Ghassan Abdel Nour as a guest with us on campus as he was serving coffee and meeting the students.



Thank you for your support

It is always with gratitude and recognition that we receive generous donations from contributors supporting our work.

Line & Khalil Masri chose to make it differently by generously donating proceeds of their new baby born souvenirs to the Youth of the Order of Malta.

We would like first to congratulate Line and Khalil for the birth of little Audrey and express our deep thankfulness for all the support they are offering continuously to the Youth.



New warehouse for the Youth

DORA

As Ain El Remmaneh Center is under renovation, the Youth had to move their warehouse to another location to pursue their actions. Thanks to supporters such as Fadel Group, the Youth was able to find a place to dispose their utilities, provisions and food bank stock. We take the opportunity in this newsletter to deeply thank Fadel Group for their kind gesture towards us and for believing in our work by providing us a very convenient space in Dora. May God bless all the helping hands supporting humanitarian actions in Lebanon.



Caravan Experience

TEAM 13



The Order of Malta CARAVAN offers young adults over 18 years the possibility to spend ten voluntary months in Lebanon. They get the chance to work with differently-abled people while studying at one of Beirut's best universities. Learning the Arabic language is part of the curriculum as well as history, culture and complexity of the Middle East. CARAVAN is a project that incorporates many aspects of what young people crave to experience before starting after-school/working life: Social commitment, broadening horizon, diverse people, and international adventure.

Since almost five months, I am part of the Caravan project. As most of you know, the project is about giving joy and happiness to disabled adults and children. We are doing this by participating in Camps in Chabrouh and visiting our so-called "Guests" in different homes. During my last year of school, I decided to apply for Caravan. I still remember being nervous and curious at the airport. But very fast, I noticed it was the right decision to go on this adventure. In Prep-Camp in the mountains of Lebanon where we got to know each other; everyone got along very well, it just worked. We did many activities like sports in the morning (very early), a cooking session or a blindfolded dinner. Also, we had many professional sessions about motivation, first aid and autistic behaviors. Since then, we experienced five Camps and three months of service. It is almost halftime of our staying. I am enjoying my life in Lebanon. Service and Camps are not always easy because it takes a lot of effort and patience but in the end, you feel a satisfaction that is indescribable. In addition, we have the opportunity to build up unique relationships. Then, we get to know different cultures. In Germany, everything is structured and extremely organized, people in Lebanon are very spontaneous and "try to enjoy every second of their life because of Lebanese history", as someone told me. During this time, it is not always easy to discover Lebanon, but we were able to visit some interesting corners like Baalbek, Byblos and Batroun. Obviously, because the project is by the Order of Malta the spiritual side plays a big role. Every morning, evening and before service we have prayers. Especially for service, the praying part is very important to get strength for the day. But also, during spiritual nights on Tuesdays, we discuss the complexity of Christianity. I always believed in God but never really understood why and how. During and after the sessions, we try to find out why we believe and how to pray in the right way. The Caravan Project is very special. For me, it is a time where I am taking a break after school and doing something productive. I am having a good time with my friends and at the same time I am helping people in need.

Laslo Rosty-Forgach - Caravan Team 13!



PRISCILLA BAKALIAN

1. INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Hola! I'm Priscilla, 25 years old. I'm a food scientist by day and a DJ by night.

2. HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE YOUTH?

I first heard about the Order via my mom. I went with her to Lourdes when I was 16. That's when the Youth told me to join the Chabrouh summer camps and I've been hooked ever since.

3. WHAT IS YOUR BEST MEMORY?

My best memory has to be a Christmas camp in the old Sourat center, with the ladies from Deir el Kamar. My guest's name was Ghada. She was a very cute old lady who started the camp as a big introvert who didn't like excitement, attention or loud noises. By the 4th day of camp, her character completely transformed and she literally became the life of the party; standing on chairs and cheering out loud! Ghada really holds a special place in my heart, since she was the living proof of the Youth's accomplished vision :)

4. THE YOUTH IN ONE WORD

LOVE

5. WHAT MAKES YOU COME BACK TO OUR ACTIVITIES?

It's an indescribable amazing feeling.



JOUMANA DOUMMAR

1. INTRODUCE YOURSELF

Joumana Doummar, 29 years old, I own a concept store in Mar Mikhayel that sells Italian kitchen furniture... Recently turned the space into a hub for refined culinary experiences, encouraging local ingredients and welcoming emerging professional Lebanese chefs.

2. HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE YOUTH?

Thanks to the dedication of my family towards the Order of Malta, I was eager to join the youth!!

3. WHAT IS YOUR BEST MEMORY?

So many but most definitely the feeling of making a guest smile tops them all.

4. THE YOUTH IN ONE WORD

LOVE

5. WHAT MAKES YOU COME BACK TO OUR ACTIVITIES?

The excitement of creating new bonds with guests that needs them the most, it's very satisfying.

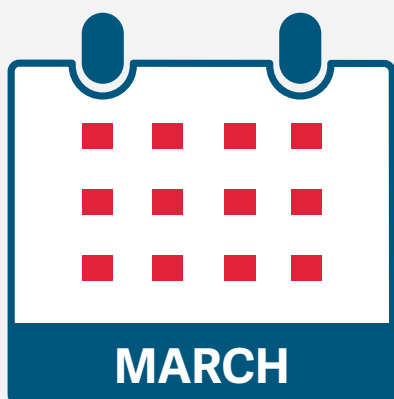


MOUNA BASSILI SEHNAOUI

Kind, loving, intelligent....giving of their time and gentleness to take care of persons who have not always been spoiled by life. This is how I would describe those young people who give of their time and love to take care of those less fortunate...These youths are an example of what humanity is all about. For it is not

enough to have a bed and food...the soul also needs to be nourished. By creating events to raise money, organizing excursions, singing, reaching out to the world and to God they are blessed many times over. May they go on in this direction and may all the angels in heaven watch over them.

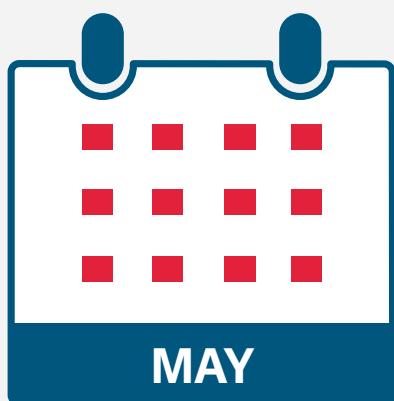
Mark your calendars



- 08|03: SPIRITUAL OUTING
- 14|03: MOTHER'S DAY OUTING WITH THE ELDERLY
- 18|03: CLUB DAY - USJ
- 21-22|03: DIFFERENTLY-ABLED KIDS CAMP



- 10|04: SPIRITUAL EVENING
- 11|04: KIDS OUTING - EGG HUNT
- 25-26|04: REFURBISHING PROJECT



- 01-02|05: LOURDES WEEKEND PILGRIMAGE - TAANAYEL
- 10|05: COMMUNITY BUILDING
- 21|05: IFTAR WITH WHO IS HUSSAIN

And don't forget Chabrouh project all summer long with international delegations  ...

Sumers camps 2020 schedule will be out soon! Stay tuned

Please note that dates and activities are object to change.
For more information, please don't hesitate to contact:
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2019 KEY FIGURES

More than **60** various activities, more than **300** volunteers, more than **2000** volunteering participations, more than **700** persons served, more than **100** donors!

CHILDREN



1 camp for underprivileged children at the Chabrouh Center of the Order of Malta

1 camp for Cancer Survivors Children "They CancerVive" - The 2nd edition camp at the Chabrouh Center of the Order of Malta

1 camp for Children with disability (IMC) at the Chabrouh Center of the Order of Malta

3 outings for underprivileged children

200 school bags distributed to underprivileged children as part of the Back to School campaign

ELDERLY



More than **2000** food items collected as part of the Food Bank initiative

100 food packages distributed

5 outings for elders

1 elderly camp at the Chabrouh Center of the Order of Malta

100 elders invited at the annual Iftar at USJ

100 elders invited at the annual Christmas lunch at USJ

1 Refurbishing project to a family living in Ain El Remmeneh

Differently-abled



19 participants to the International Camp for young people with disability of the Order of Malta in Germany

70 young volunteers participants to the International Lourdes Pilgrimage of the Order of Malta

2 camps for people with Down Syndrome at the Chabrouh Center of the Order of Malta

More than **120** young Lebanese volunteers participants to the Chabrouh Summer Camps for Differently-abled

1 Lourdes Alumni camp at the Chabrouh Center of the Order of Malta



2019 KEY FIGURES

More than **60** various activities, more than **300** volunteers, more than **2000** volunteering participations, more than **700** persons served, more than **100** donors!

SPIRITUAL



5 spiritual youth activities

5 Youth participations in official events of the Lebanese Associations of the Knights of Malta.

2 Lebanese volunteers participating at the International Blessed Gerard Retreat of the Order of Malta in Rome

15 Young singers being part of the Youth Choir at the Annual Christmas Candle Night evening

COMMUNICATION & EXPOSURE



1 collaboration with finest burger house in town: The Bros

2 collaborations with Who is Hussein Association as part of the coexistence message

3 participations at universities social fairs

4 quarterly newsletters published by the Youth

5 influencers collaborations

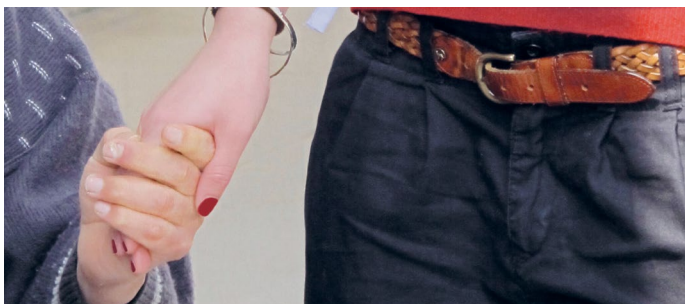
More than **5** collaborations with other NGOS

3 Schools collaborations- International College, Collège des Frères Maristes Champville & Collège Sacré Coeur-Frères Gemmayzé

1 university Youth Club founded - USJ

3 Lebanese volunteers participating at Lebanon on Wheels to raise funds for the people with disabilities

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About the Youth

The Youth of the Sovereign Order of Malta (The Youth) is an offshoot of the Lebanese Association of the Knights of Malta, which was founded in 2006 by a small group of young and dedicated volunteers.

Our Vision is to develop a Youth Community dedicated to serve human dignity and to foster cultural diversity in Lebanon

Our Mission is to create a platform for young volunteers to work hand in hand to raise hope and serve the forgotten people of Lebanon. We do so:

- by restoring the dignity to the physically and mentally challenged people through one-on-one care, love and lasting relationship.
- by enhancing the well-being of abandoned senior citizens and underprivileged children around the socio-medical centers of the Order of Malta in Lebanon.

The You in the Youth

The continuous growth of the Youth in terms of activities, number of volunteers as well as Guests and persons in need could not have been achieved without the devotion of our volunteers as well as the generous support of our benefactors and sponsors.

How You can support the Youth?

BY VOLUNTEERING:

Without You, the Youth would not exist!

If you are a student, young working professional wishing to give us some of your time, please send us an information request by clicking here or send us an e-mail to jeunes@ordredemalteliban.org

BY SPONSORING OUR ACTIVITIES:

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