

Rotary



ROTARY
SERVING
HUMANITY

50 Years of Service



1966 - 2016
Rotary Club of Puducherry

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Berita Pudu

PROGRAMME FOR TODAY

Speaker: Ms Irene Tan
Subject: Make A Wish
Duty Table: Rtn Patrick Lee
Fellowship: Rtn Roy Sreenivasan
Finemaster: PAG Gary Lim
Introducing: PP Michael Yeow
Thanking: PP Ng Sim Bee

PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK

Speaker: PAG Teoh Kwan See
AG Datin Sandra Anne Raj
Subject: Membership Growth & Retention
Duty Table: Rtn Elaine Tan
Fellowship: Rtn Steven Ho
Finemaster: Rtn Lawrence Kwan
Introducing: Rtn Laura Lee
Thanking: PAG Gary Lim

AUGUST - MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

CLUB DIARY OF EVENTS—AUGUST 2016

Mon, 1st Aug	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Mon, 1st Aug	6.00 pm	50th Anniversary Committee Meeting	Unique Restaurant, PJ
Wed, 3rd Aug	6.30 pm	Membership Development Committee Meeting	RSC, Bukit Kiara, KL
Thurs, 4th Aug	6.30 pm	Youth Service Committee Meeting	RSC, Bukit Kiara, KL
Thurs, 4th Aug	6.30 pm	Club Service Committee Meeting	RSC, Bukit Kiara, KL
Sat, 6th Aug	3.00 pm	Rotaract Club of Pudu BOD Meeting	Elilai Restaurant, KL
Sun, 7th Aug	9.00 am	Visit to Jenjarom Old Folks Home	Jenjarom
Mon, 8th Aug	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Wed, 10th Aug	6.30 pm	International Service Committee Meeting	RSC, Bukit Kiara
Thurs, 11th Aug	6.30 pm	Community Service Committee Meeting	Faber Tower, KL
Fri, 12th Aug	3.00 pm	Rotarian/Teacher Advisors High Tea	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Sat, 13th Aug	6.30 pm	Installation of Rotaract Club of Pudu	Hotel Royal, KL
Mon, 15th Aug	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 16th Aug	6.30 pm	Vocational Service Committee Meeting	RSC, Bukit Kiara
Thurs, 18th Aug	6.30 pm	Fireside—Rotarian Advisors/Youth Service	Rtn Sarky's Residence
Mon, 22nd Aug	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel
Wed, 24th Aug	6.30 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Unique Restaurant, PJ
Fri, 26th Aug	2.00 pm	Interact Coordinating Council Meeting	SMK Methodist, KL
Fri, 26th Aug	6.30 pm	Spouses Night	Restoran Lavender Garden, KL
Sun, 28th Aug	9.00 am	District Rotary Foundation Seminar	Seri Pacific Hotel, KL
Mon, 29th Aug	6.30 pm	Membership Development Night	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 30th Aug	6.30 pm	50th Anniversary Fellowship Dinner Committee Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL

EDITORIAL

Dante Gabriel Rossetti, the famous 19th-century poet and artist, was once approached by an elderly man. The old fellow had some sketches and drawings that he wanted Rossetti to look at and tell him if they were any good, or if they at least showed potential talent.



Rossetti looked them over carefully. After the first few, he knew that they were worthless, showing not the least sign of artistic talent. But Rossetti was a kind man, and he told the elderly man as gently as possible that the pictures were without much value and showed little talent. He was sorry, but he could not lie to the man. The visitor was disappointed, but seemed to expect Rossetti's judgment.

He then apologized for taking up Rossetti's time, but would he just look at a few more drawings – these done by a young art student? Rossetti looked over the second batch of sketches and immediately became enthusiastic over the talent they revealed. "These," he said, "these are good. This young student has great talent. He should be given every help and encouragement in his career as an artist. He has a great future if he will work hard and stick to it."

Rossetti could see that the old fellow was deeply moved. "Who is this fine young artist?" he asked. "Your son?" "No," said the old man sadly. "It is me – 40 years ago. If only I had heard your praise and encouragement then! For you see, I got discouraged and gave up – too soon."

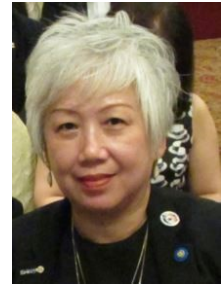
May we, as Rotarians, heap words of encouragement upon the helpless, the hopeless and the homeless. May we also bestow liberally words of praise upon our fellow Rotarians as well.

Warmest Regards

PAG Mike Tung

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

One of our primary focus this year is to induct new members.



With many past Rotarian resigning and/or emigrated, we do have the issue of lacking spirit & manpower.

Hence the programmes of our Rotary Foundation carried out is considered to be limited and inadequate due to the number of Rotarians that are in our club. The more new members there are, the more value added in generating ideas and to boost our club's energy.

New members not only bring new life into our club, they also play an important role in providing more friendship & fellowship, providing us with a wider network of an extended family. May I suggest that we should also focus on cross over events with our Rotaractors & Interactors. It is a bonding opportunity for us by attending more of their events as they are nevertheless our future members and leaders.

In the long run, the growth of our club will depend on these future leaders to continue to develop better club programs. I hope as a result, more variety, experiences and resources can be drawn from them and that they enrich the programmes that we already had.

"ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY"

Sandy Soh Kwee Tin
President RY 2016-17

PUDU NEWS

Record of Meeting on: 8th August 2016

Visiting Rotarians	Club	Statistics	
		Guests	1
		Visiting Rotarians	
		Club Members	25
		Total Present	26
Guests		Collections	
Host			
Ms Kwan Zi Ying	President Sandy Soh	Birthdays/Anniversaries Fines	RM 30.00
		Paying Diners	RM 120.00
		Raffles & Others	RM —
		Total (RM)	RM 150.00

CLUB PROCEEDINGS

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

SAA Darren Yong called the meeting to order at 1.15 pm on behalf of President Sandy Soh. He welcome all guests and Rotarians. He then led in the singing of the National Anthem and the Loyal Toast.

INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER

PP Dato' Dr Lee Ho Teong introduced the guest speaker PP Kumar Tharmalingam

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) Rotarian-Teacher Advisors High Tea will be held at the Shangri-La Hotel on Friday, 12th August 2016 at 3.00 pm
- 2) Rotaract Club of Pudu Installation will be held at the Hotel Royal on Saturday, 13th August 2016 at 7.00 pm.
- 3) Rotary Club of Bukit Bintang Installation will be held at the HGH Conventon Centre, Sentul on Saturday, 13th August 2016 at 7.00 pm

THANKING THE SPEAKER

Rtn Sarkunan thanked PP Kumar for a very enlightening and educational presentation. PP Kumar has shared with us the history and some of the projects of R C Pudu in the 1970s and 1980s. Rtn Sarkunan then presented a Certificate of Appreciation and a memento to PP Kumar.



SPEAKER'S CV



PP KUMAR THARMALINGAM

Kumar graduated from the College of Estate Management, London School of Economics with a B.Sc in Real Estate from University of London. He is a Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Fellow of the Institution of Surveyors Malaysia (ISM) and registered as a Real Estate Valuer and Property Consultant with the Board of Valuers in Malaysia.

He established the First Malaysian Property Trust (FMPT), a joint venture between the Bank of Commerce and Austwide, Australia in 1987. Subsequently he left in 1990 to establish the MBF Unit Trust. From 1992 to 1998 he was Executive Director of Taiping Consolidated Berhad (TCB) and was part of the team building the J.W. Marriott Hotel and Starhill Shopping Centre in Kuala Lumpur and originated Sentul Raya for the Company, a joint venture with KTM Berhad to develop 270 acres of an inner city brown field project. In 1998 he left TCB and became Chairman of Hall Chadwick Asia Sdn Bhd which specializes in the origination of property assets for Pension Funds, Private Equity Funds and Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs).

Kumar was from 2010 to 2013 the Chief Executive Officer of Malaysia Property Incorporated (MPI) which is a Government of Malaysia tasked to promote Malaysia as property investment destination and to induce Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) specifically into Malaysian real estate. From 2013 to 2014 he joined Sunway Berhad as an Executive Director. He is currently the Senior Advisor to AREA Management Sdn Bhd, a private equity funds developing gated industrial projects in Malaysia.

SPEAKER'S TEXT

I joined Rotary in 1971 in February. Hui Weng Choon was the President. The next President was Soong.

In May 1971 Soong who lived about 500 metres from my office rang me and said I am the new Club Service Director. So those who complain about position when just join the Club do not worry, you will make mistakes but you learn.

Soong was a good disciplinarian. He will call me every morning and ask me to do something. Our phones were land lines. Dial tone was a crap shoot. You pick up the phone and you wait for dial tone. Up to 2 minutes. When you get it, you call up and if he is on another line, you start again.

We spend a lot of time on the phone trying to get a line.

The theme in 1971 - 1972 was "Goodwill Begins With You".

There were only four Rotary Clubs in KL. They were KL, P.J., Pudu and Gombak. And we wanted 100% membership. So if you missed those clubs you were not 100%. I maintained my 100% for about 12 years and once flew to Kota Bahru on Sunday with KB Lee to make up.

Now with double digit numbers in Clubs that have breakfast or lunch or tea or dinner meetings, there is no excuse.

One thing we enjoyed was the District Conferences in South East Asia. We had Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia and Philippines in our District 330.

District conferences are held in different countries. Great fun and fellowship with meeting new people.

Our relationship with Bichai Rattakul for example was built on the visits we made to the District Conferences we went to in Thailand in the 1980s' and survives to this day.

SPEAKER'S TEXT

There were a couple firsts in my year as President.

Before that a bit about Douglas Fraser and Arul.

Douglas Fraser, the first President, was GM of Fraser & Neave. It made soft drinks like orange crush. All carbonated. And Tiger Beer.

Doug was not related to F&N. It was a unique name coincidence. It is like the restaurant in Mont Kiara called Kumar's Banana Leaf. No relation to me.

He was in control of the factory and company and offered his corporate in house pub as our meeting room for all our meetings. Free beer. Fresh. After he retired, that facility we lost.

Most times we got drunk at every meeting. KB Lee occasionally got lost. Once, he left and went to hair saloon.

PP Arul was an air force man and flew recon planes. He then went to insurance and trading after he left the Air Force. He loved Rotary and wanted to be President of something and so they elected him.

We met every Monday in Malaya Hotel ; non-halal but nobody cared.

Then we moved to Holiday Inn on-the-Park.

The sense of comradeship was awesome in every meeting. And very little alcohol.

All the Rotary Clubs in Klang Valley tried to tap young professionals to join them with the exception of the KL Club, which had Ambassadors and other dignitaries in their club. The other club has younger Rotarians, mainly interested in doing social services, and the Presidents were younger.

When I was the President in 1977, at the same time Tan Sri Yong Poh Kon of Selangor Pewter became President of Gombak Rotary Club. We were the youngest Rotarians in the Rotary World, at 31 years old. In Europe and America the average Presidents were in their early 60s. The Presidents who joined us such as Alex Lee, Fong Ying Leong, Wong

SPEAKER'S TEXT

Yit Chiew, Tay Ah Lek, Paul Lee and Low Ken Wah were all between 30 to 40 years old and were professionals and business men in the same age group.

The art of compromise is what kept our club strong. If some director was busy someone else will help him.

Not many people know that the rule in those days was that the members of Pudu Rotary Club had to be working in the Pudu area. That means we were limited in our business circle and that's why all of us in the early years were always near each other.

Some of the firsts we had was that we were the first to start raising fund through social media. You know social media did not exist in 1978.

How it came about. There was a terrible accident when a bus load of children from the Kuen Cheng Girls School crashed and a young 14 year old Chinese girl had both her arms crushed in the accident. She lost both arms and Alex Lee approached the club suggesting we raise funds for her to be fitted with prosthetic arms in Australia.

We launched a fund with the Rotarians contributing sums of money and we invited the Malay Mail newspaper to join us and set up a fund which Rotary and Malay Mail managed and invited the public to contribute any amount from \$1. In the space of 3 weeks, we raised the sum of more than \$200,000 ; if my memory serves me right. More than enough for this young girl and the remainder fund was then handed over to the Welfare Department after a few years.

So, when you talk about crowd funding and today's social media, Pudu Rotary Club did it in 1978 when the internet was still unheard of.

I will always remember my Rotary Club friends like Alex Lee, Hassan Muslim, Mokhtar Hj Omar, Chandran, KB Lee, Wong Yuet Chiew, Low Ken Wah, Teoh Chye Kuet and Alan Kong, people who were there in the Pudu Rotary Club in its infancy.

SPEAKER'S TEXT

Years later, Pudu Rotary Club was responsible for the School Milk Programme, when we set up the first Milk Programme in San Peng Road Tamil School and get Tun Mahathir Mohamad, then the Education Minister, to come and launch it. Tun Mahathir was so impressed with the programme that he then installed it as a National Project for every rural schools in the country.

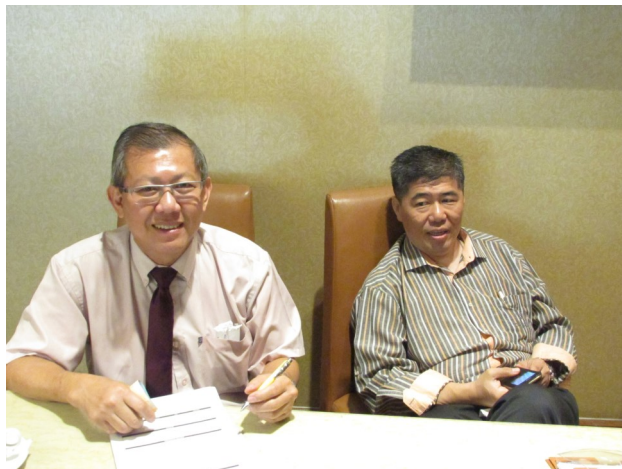
Rotary Clubs were innovators and still are. Just like at the eradication of Polio Campaign.

Pudu Rotary Club needs more young Rotarians to come in to take over from the aged ones. I am sorry that Gombak Rotary Club for example, is no more as it has merged with another Club, which means that Clubs can die.

Rotary is also changing. You do not have to have meetings every week any more. Twice a month is enough. That's the new mantra.

But any club is how members come together without self-interests but wants fellowship and to do some charity. Without Rotary, I will not know Dr. Lee, KB, Yit Chew, Hon Nam and others as they are in businesses that has nothing to do with me. Rotary brought us together. That cannot be replicated.

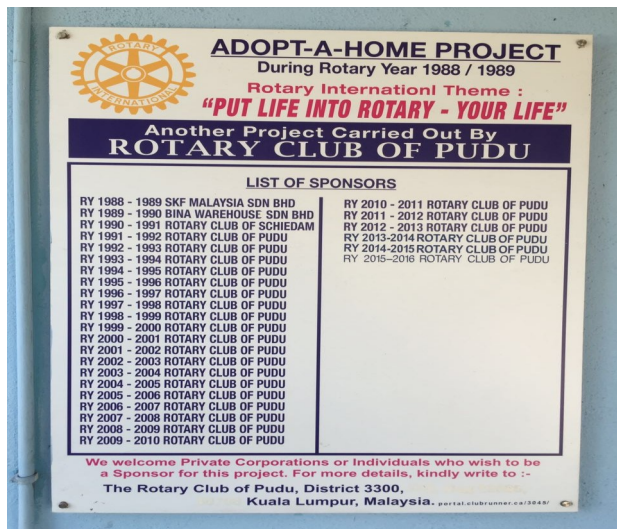
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VISIT TO JENJAROM OLD FOLKS HOME ON SUNDAY, 7TH AUGUST 2016



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

ROTARIAN'S BIRTHDAYS (AUGUST)

2nd—Rtn Lawrence Kwan
12th—Rtn Tenny Lee

SPOUSES' BIRTHDAYS (AUGUST)

1st—Ann Suit Yong (PP Choo Jee Sam)
21st—Spouse Choon Wai (Rtn Sannice Soh)

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES (AUGUST)

27th— Rtn Sarkunan and Ann Devi

ANNOUNCEMENTS



COMING SOON

Event: **FIRESIDE—ROTARIAN ADVISORS/YOUTH SERVICE**

Date: Thursday, 18th August 2016

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Residence of Rtn Sarkunan

OC: Rtn Sarkunan Subramaniam

Event: **SPOUSES NIGHT**

Date: Friday, 26th August 2016

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Restoran Lavender Garden, Great Eastern Mall, KL

OC: IPP Dato' Muslim Ayob

Event: **DISTRICT ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR**

Date: Sunday, 28th August 2016

Time: 9.00 am

Venue: Seri Pacific Hotel, KL

OC: R C Greater K L

Event: **MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT NIGHT**

Date: Monday, 29th August 2016

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Shangri-La Hotel, KL

OC: PAG Gary Lim

Event: **50TH ANNIVERSARY FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

Date: Friday, 9th December 2016

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Unique Seafood Restaurant, PJ

OC: PAG Mike Tung

Event: **50TH ANNNIVERSARY GALA DINNER**

Date: Saturday, 10th December 2016

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: V E Hotel & Residences, KL

OC: PAG Mohan Raj

DISTRICT NEWS

Rotary Foundation Seminar

(Incorporating the
Grant Management
Seminar)
for
RY 2016/17



Who Should Attend:

- * Club Presidents
- * President Elects
- * Club Foundation Chairs (Club TRF Chair)
- * Rotarian's Interested In Applying For District And Global Grants
- * Past Presidents wanting an update on TRF
- * New Rotarians wanting to learn about TRF
- * Treasurer
- * Community Service Chair

Rotary
Club of Greater Kuala Lumpur



**28th August 2016
Sunday**

**Hotel Seri Pacific
(PWTC)
Kuala Lumpur**

**Registration Starts at
8.30 am**

**Seminar:
9.00 am
to
4.30 pm**



**RM 80.00
only**



**Host Club:
Rotary Club of
Greater Kuala Lumpur**

For Registration:

**Please Whatsapp or Email your name
and the Rotary Club you represent to:**

**013-6779009
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**Once confirmed we will get back to
you with payment information**

**for any enquiries please get in touch with:
Dr.A.T.Kumararajah
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DISTRICT NEWS

It's time again to...
TAKE THE QUIZ
3 SEPTEMBER 2016



RC Bandar Sunway invites you to register for the 9th Challenge Trophy by visiting the following links:-

1. <http://www.rotarysunway.org>
2. <http://goo.gl/forms/h6UNKUn13lZLPzyD2>

For enquiries please email us at registration@rotarysunway.org or contact OC Rtn Dr Nagiah at 6019 - 408 4185

REGISTRATION CLOSING DATE
22 AUGUST 2016

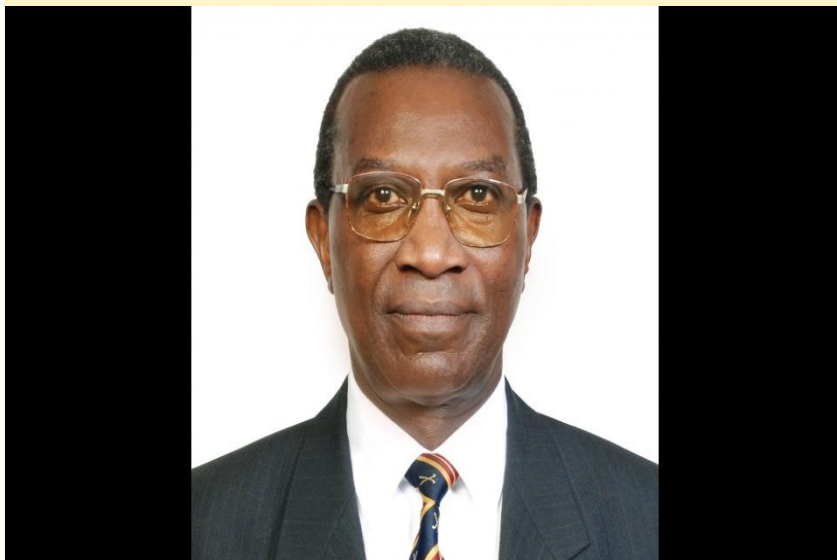


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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Meet RIPN Designate Samuel F Owori



Rtn. Samuel F Owori of the Rotary Club of Kampala, Uganda is the choice of the Nominating Committee as the Rotary International President for 2018-2019

Samuel F Owori is a banker and CEO of Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda. He was Chair of the Center for African Family Studies, and a Director at Mulago Hospital Complex, Hospice Africa Uganda, Greenhill Holdings Limited and Uganda Heart Institute. He has been Executive Director of African Development Bank and Secretary of Uganda Bankers Association.

He joined Rotary in 1978 and was RI director in 2010-12. He was also a Foundation Trustee for 2012 – 16. He also has served as a regional Rotary Foundation coordinator and RI training leader. Sam currently serves as chair of the Audit Committee.

Also, Sam served Rotary as an RI Representative to the United Nations and member of the African PolioPlus Committee and the Reach Out to Africa, Eastern Africa Sub Committee. He is a Paul Harris Fellow and Benefactor of the Rotary Foundation.

He and his wife Norah live in Kampala, Uganda.

THOTS FOR THE WEEK

**WHAT YOU THINK
OF YOURSELF IS
MUCH MORE
IMPORTANT THAN
WHAT PEOPLE
THINK OF YOU**



**THE GREATEST
PLEASURE IN LIFE IS
DOING WHAT
PEOPLE SAY YOU
CANNOT DO.**

- WALTER BAGEHOT -

Success is not the key to happiness.
Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful.

**SOMETIMES YOU WISH IT
WAS EASIER,
BUT IF IT WAS,
EVERYONE ELSE WOULD
DO IT,
THEN YOU REMEMBER
YOU **DON'T WANT TO BE
LIKE EVERYONE ELSE.****

**NOT EVERYONE
WILL UNDERSTAND
YOUR JOURNEY.**

THAT'S FINE.

**IT'S NOT THEIR JOURNEY
TO MAKE SENSE OF.**

IT'S YOURS.

JUST FOR LAUGHS



RAJ DA MENU		
S.No.	Items	Rate Per Peg
1.	Wiskee	35/-
2.	Vadka	22/-
3.	Jin	18/-
4.	Child Beer	45/-
5.	Child Beer Strong	50/-
6.	Rum-Old Munk	16/-
Drink Safe Before Driving Order by Punjab Police		

