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DIFFERENCE**



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Club of Pudu, Malaysia



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Date : 6th November 2017

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Berita Pudu

PROGRAMME FOR TODAY

Speaker: Ms Mandy Chen
 Subject: "Regeneration Of Perth"
 Duty Table: Rtn Chee TK
 Fellowship: PP Sim Bee
 Finemaster: Rtn Steven Ho
 Introducing: Rtn Albert Chia
 Thanking: Rtn Sannice Soh

NEXT MEETING — 6 NOV 2017

Speaker: TBA
 Subject: TBA
 Duty Table: TBA
 Fellowship: TBA
 Finemaster: TBA
 Introducing: TBA
 Thanking: TBA

NOVEMBER— TRF MONTH

DIARY OF EVENTS—NOV 2017

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
2 Nov	6.30 pm	Community Svc Ctee meeting	RSC Dataran
6 Nov	12.45 pm	Regular weekly meeting	Shangri La Hotel
6 Nov	2:30 pm	International Svc Ctee meeting	Shangri La Hotel
9 Nov	6.30 pm	Club Svc Ctee meeting	RSC Bukit Kiara
14 Nov	6.30 pm	Vocational Svc Ctee meeting	RSC Bukit Kiara
14 Nov	7.30 pm	Youth Svc Ctee meeting	RSC Bukit Kiara
18 Nov	6.30 pm	AGM RY 2017-18	TBA
20 Nov	12.45 pm	Regular weekly meeting	Shangri La Hotel
24-26 Nov	9.30 am	District Interact Conference	NAN HWA High School
28 Nov	6.30 pm	5 th BOD meeting	Sitiawan President's House

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The District conducted an interesting and useful seminar on TRF (The Rotary Foundation) on the Sunday 29th Oct 2017 @ Wisma Tun Sambanthan.. Pudu was represented by myself, Rtn Michelle Liew, Rtn Albert Chia, Rtn Jitco and PE Heng. It was a missed opportunity for those who wanted to know what the TRF was all about as there were many knowledgeable speakers there. Among the many topics of interest were PDG Leslie Salehuddin's "Dos & Don'ts of District Grants," PP Arvind Kumar's "Annual Giving," PDG Siti Subaidah's "Global Grants" and Dato' Jimmy Lim's "The Foundation Endowment Fund." Other contributors included PDG Dr Arasu, PP Dr Bernard, PP Ananda and the DG Dr Manohur Kurup himself.

The Club had submitted our application for a TRF District Grant for our Community Service tiling works project at SMK Dato Onn under the category of education. Hopefully we will be successful. On this score, I would urge future Directors to take advantage of this benefit.

On the 28th Oct, PP Mohan and his Ann held their Deepavali gathering at their home and many of us were there to celebrate the meaningful festival. That's what Rotary is about. Good Fellowship and getting to know each other better.

The Rotaractors had been active and hard-working Rtn Kenneth Goh had attended many of their functions including even the regular meetings. They had a "Go-Kart Grand Prix 2017" event on 22 Oct at City Karting, Shah Alam and some of us took part in the race. Rtn Jitco came out the champion whilst yours truly came out a respectable 11th beating "young man" Rtn Kenneth who was 12th. Your president suffered a great loss that day as he hosted an expensive lunch for all participants!!!

The Club attended in good numbers the 60th Anniversary of our sister club Rotary Club of Dhonburi held in Bangkok on 3- 4th November. We were very well treated and no

expense was spared by President Wichai and his members to make us feel comfortable. Naturally we all enjoyed ourselves.

The Club lost our prominent Honorary Member PP Choy Ying on the 18th Oct 2017. All of us felt very sad. Choy Ying had been active in our Club and her demise at a young age (51) was a great loss to us. We had extended our deepest condolences to her family and PP Sam spoke an eulogy at her wake.

*Jeffrey Yap
President RY 2017-18*

EDITORIAL

That time of year is coming up ie the Scholarship presentations to the secondary students, undergraduate students and the Masters/PhD students. A lot of work is involved in these exercises; and with Pudu, it has always been the duty of the IPP to organise.

From last year's experience, it is advisable for the IPP to start calling for a meeting now with the parties involved namely: the Youth Service Director, the Interact Chair, the Rotarian Advisors and Teacher Advisors. The form too need to be revised because there were too much irrelevant data required. It could therefore be reduced to just a 2-page form or even a 1-page form.

For undergraduates who were supposed to provide semester reports to qualify for continued funding, we are yet to receive any such reports. Therefore, new undergraduates candidates need to be found. Thus the universities need to be contacted now for nominations. Likewise the application form need revision.

For the Masters/PhD student who is to receive a RM 5,000 F&N Bursary, the universities also need to be contacted for nominations. Likewise F&N need to be reminded or a meeting held. Also assessors for the project write-ups by the candidates need to be found as soon as possible, to avoid last minute panic.

*Dato Muslim Ayob
Past President*

PUDU NEWS

Record of Meeting on: Monday 16th Oct, 2017

Visiting Rotarians		Club	Statistics	
			Guests	10
			Visiting Rotarians	-
			Club Members	20
			Total Present	30
Guests		Host	Collections	RM
Mr Ryan Gwee		Club	Birthdays/Anniversaries	78.00
Ms Elaine Li		Club	Fines	
Mr Aiman Reeza		Club	Paying Diners	340.00
Mrs Angeline Liew		PP Richard Liew	Raffles & Others	
Ms Vivien Chu		Pres Jeffrey Yap	Total (RM)	418.00
Ms Sue Ann		Pres Jeffrey Yap		
Ms Angela Quek		Rtn Laura Lee		
Ms Michelle		Rtn Kenneth Goh		
Ms Juliana May		Rtn Sarky		
Ms Kwan		IPP Sandy Soh		

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

- The meeting was called to order by acting Sgt at Arms, Rtn Kenneth Goh at 1.20pm followed by the Negara-Ku and a toast to our King, continued with the recognition of guests and speaker
- Fining session was by PE CT Heng
- President Jeffry Yap** welcomed all members and guest and reported the following :-
 - Fund raising on 30th September achieved the target of RM80,000.00. Thanks to VP Patrick Lee who worked very hard. Those who pledged are requested to make the payment.
 - Once again welcomed our two new Rotarians inducted on 2nd October, Jitco and Albert.
 - Condolences on the passing of Rtn Albert's father.
 - There were some cheques received without details of owner - has been posted on whatsapp - please check and advise President.
 - Our club will be participating in the District Vocational KTMB Project. Allocated Kepong rail station and Rtn Sannice had offered to source for a sponsor for the signange with the 4 way test.
 - Rotary-Rotaract Dialogue in Ipoh on 1st October was attended by PAG Garry, Rtn Kenneth, VP Patrick and President together with Rotaractors,
 - Anniversary of RC Dhonburi - President and PP Alex will be leading a delegation from our club.
 - PAG Mohan had sent out an email and whatsapp that

our activity meeting will be outdoor fellowship for October. However, after receiving feedback from members, this is now deferred. Instead this being Deepavali month, Mohan has graciously agreed to host a fellowship in his house for all of us and our spouses on the 28th October 2017. He will be sending out a whatsapp on this and please reply so that he can order the food based on number of pax.

4. **Report by Hon Secretary :-**

- Details on a new member, Michelle Liew will be circulated to all tomorrow
- BOD Meeting on 31st October 2017
- Those not paid 1st half dues, please do so.

5. **Speaker for the afternoon : Mr Ryan Gwee** **Topic : Introduction to Forest City**

- Introducer : PP Ng Sim Bee
- Forest City : An Emergent Futuristic Urban Development - A Prime Model of Future City - New CIO's, A duty Free Area, Closed off Security Management, Multi layered City, Vertical Greening, Freehold property.
- After the presentation, Mr Ryan Gwee invited all of us to visit Forest City and offered to arrange the transport and even a free hotel stay for 1 night. Those interested, please inform President.
- Thanking : Rtn Sarkunan

6. **Meeting ended at 2.10 pm**

7. **Next meeting on 6th November 2017**

PICTURES TAKEN AT THE MEETING ON 16th OCT 2017



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SPEAKER'S CV



RYAN GWEE

EDUCATION

The University Of Iowa U.S.A.

- Degree in Bachelor Of Business Administration. Major in Finance & Marketing 1987 to 1991

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Country Garden | Current | Business Development Director

- Property development Name: Forest City, Johor Bahru, Malaysia
- Person in charge of Sales & Marketing operation for Kuala Lumpur & Selangor territories
- Responsibilities: Daily operation, budgeting, strategic planning, sales & marketing, organizing events, market research & sales reports
- Managing 53 Sales & Support Staffs from Malaysia & China
- Penetrating market through Property Agencies, Related Businesses, Business Associations, Net Working Clubs, Government Bodies & Cross Referrals

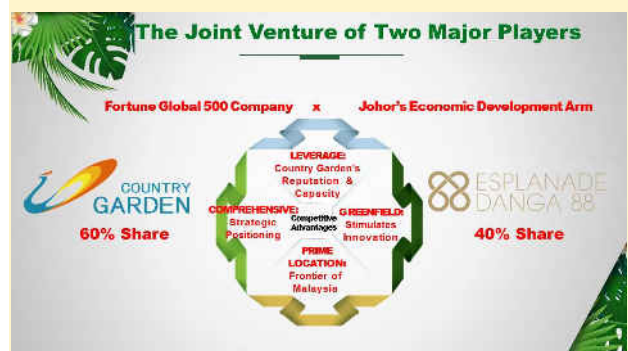
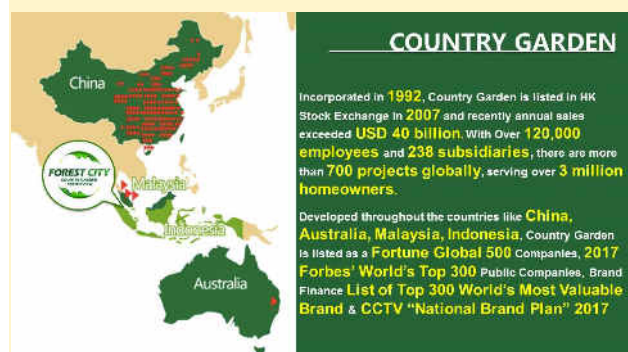
IQI Holdings| 2012 to 2016

- Responsibilities: Recruit, train, motivate & new property project briefing for a team of 67 Real Estate Negotiators in Kuala Lum-

SPEAKER'S TEXT

pur, Penang & Johor Bahru to meet our team targeted sales revenue.

- Marketed over 20 new high rise property projects in Kuala Lumpur, Penang & Johor Bahru.
- Property Developers' Projects We Are Currently Marketing For Are: UOA Group, Exsim Group, Gamuda, Bukit Kiara Properties, E&O, OSK Property, PJD Property, KSK Land, Paramount Property & Ideal Property.



SPEAKER'S TEXT



WORLD'S BEST HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

The Iskandar Special Zone in Malaysia is designated as a medical-tourism center targeting at least 25 government and private hospitals to be established to attract neighboring countries to seek medical services in Iskandar. Recently, around our project there are three well-known medical institutions:

- KPJ
- HSA
- Gleneagles
- COLUMBIAASIA
- REGENCY
- SingHealth
- NUH
- Singapore General Hospital

International Living in its Annual Global Retirement Index 2017, honoured Malaysia for the third consecutive year by singling out the country as having the "Best Healthcare in the World". The ranking is based on the price of medical procedures, facilities available, quality/number of hospitals, quality/number of trained doctors and affordability of care.

Vertical Greening City

Civic Garden
Community Park
Podium Courtyard
Water Canals & Wetland

Designed by SASAKI, Forest City features vertical green walls, sky gardens and rooftop garden system. The ground floor features waterfront promenade and bistros, surrounded by coastal parks all over the island.

5-Tier Security System

Offshore Security Protection

- 1st Tier: Independent Island
- 2nd Tier: Closed security system, Sea, Land & Air Security System, Sea Patrol, Independent CIQ, Drone Patrol, 24 Hour Smart Security System, Facial Scanning System
- 3rd Tier: Auxiliary Police
- 4th Tier: Card Access through Perimeter, Card Access to Living Block, Access System
- 5th Tier: 3-in-1 Smart Security Door Lock System

Spanning over 830,000 sq.ft, the Phoenix Hotel has 283 luxurious rooms and 132 units of serviced apartment, well-equipped with Lobby Bar, Restaurants, Yacht Clubhouse, Ballroom, Fitness Centre, Convenience Store and other infrastructures.

FOREST CITY A BRIDGE AWAY FROM SINGAPORE

STRATEGIC LOCATION

Iskandar Special Economic Zone

- A JB CBD, JB Conservation & Heritage Zone
- B Johor Administrative Centre
- C Port & Light Industries
- D Port & Heavy Industries
- E Technology & Electronics Industries

High Speed Rail Link (2016)

Flight Route: JB Senai Airport direct flight to Ho Chi Minh, Surabaya, Bangkok, Jakarta, Guangzhou, Seoul (scheduled charter), Shenzhen (regular lease), Singapore Changi Airport caters to 140 international airlines and direct flight to 380 cities.

Shuttle Bus Service: Forest City will operate its exclusive bus service to popular places in Johor Bahru and Singapore

Waterway Service: Waterway from Johor - Singapore - Indonesia (Batam & Bintan Island)

Enjoy Advanced & Quality Medical Services

Map showing medical facilities in Iskandar and Singapore:

- KPI Specialist Hospital
- Regency Specialist Hospital
- Columbia Asia Hospital
- Gleneagles Hospital
- Thiack Sang Hospital
- Regional University Hospital
- Singapore General Hospital
- Gleneagles Hospital
- Thiack Sang Hospital
- Regional University Hospital
- Singapore General Hospital

Hospital, Clinic & Health Screening Centre

Multi-layered Mobility & Connectivity

A 30 KM CAR-FREE CITY WITH NO VEHICLES ON THE GROUND

Forest City utilizes the world's most advanced 3D urban planning concept:

- The light rail connects the whole city
- Garden city, parks are everywhere
- Highway network and parking spaces are placed underground which properly separates the traffic flow from pedestrian paths.

Railway transit system connecting the entire city

A car-free city within a pristine setting

Roads, flyovers and parking space are docked underground

USD 100 Billion Investment

An Integrated Intelligent City

Renowned global enterprises were invited to plan for the Sustainable development of the 8 key industries, to attract the world's leading corporations and international capital investment.

- Regional Headquarters
- Emerging Technology
- Near Shore Finance
- Tourism & MICE
- Green & Smart Industry
- Healthcare
- E-Commerce
- Education & Training

The Harbour Commercial street, Forest City's shopping esplanade had its grand opening in December 2016. SECOO an online platform featuring luxury fashion brands, opened a flagship store which houses international luxury goods by Hermes, Louis Vuitton, Dior, Chanel, Prada, Gucci and more. Duty Free Shop selling alcoholic beverages, chocolates & cigarettes available at a lower price.

SPEAKER'S TEXT (cont'd)

Prestigious Shattuck St Mary School



SHATTUCK ST MARY'S
Kindergarten to high school international education. We have already signed a MOU with prominent American schools in which one can enjoy a complete elite education from kindergarten to high school. The school is expected to operate on August 2018. Forest City is also collaborating with the Johore Malaysia authorities to establish research centres, technical training institutions and etc. Malaysia and Singapore follow the Commonwealth education system attracting students from all over the world.




STRATEGIC COOPERATION WITH 36 GLOBAL COMPANIES TOGETHER TO CREATE AN INTEGRATED URBAN CITY



6th December 2016, Country Garden Forest City has signed strategic partnership with 36 international organizations including Huawei, Cisco, Sasaki and etc. which worth over RMB 6000 Billion of investment. The alliance of these global players would create an integrated city which include modern industries which also provide job opportunities.







- Forest City together with PCCW Global, Wulian, Mesinaga etc in alliance to form a **smart city**
- Focus Adventure, Iceworld Sport, COSMOLeve, New Silk Road Corp etc to build the **tourism industry** in Forest City
- Together with PUNM, Imagination Institute, MaGIC, Istuary Innovation Group, Nashwork etc to innovate on the **servicing platform industry**
- PCCW Global will be providing **data network service**, to ensure smooth data network in the future



Three 18-Hole Golf Course by Award Winning Designer

Planning about 2,000 acres (over 8 square kilometers), the Forest City Golf Group has started construction, will contain three 18-hole golf course, high-star hotel, low-density residential. Among them, the first golf course by the world famous golf course Design master Jack Nicklaus and his son Nicklaus II co-design. The future will greatly attract the global golf enthusiasts and inspire people to travel leisure vacation. Also accelerate the development of Forest City industry.



Country Garden set to build world's largest IBS factory in Forest City

Industrialised Building System




Forest City has collaborated with Ebawee and IMER Group to create an innovatively comprehensive and modern industrial base. Located strategically in the northwest of Forest City, the Industrial Park is only a 15 minutes drive away. In the near future, there will be several IBS factories setting up bases and utilizing advanced BIM technology for digital management, industrial construction and fabricated construction. The end of June will see the commencement of its operations.

FREEHOLD EXQUISITE CONCEPT

HIGH-RISE APARTMENT



High-rise apartment units from 753 - 1,862 square feet with sea view and exquisite interior decoration. Some of the units equipped with a minimalist home garden. Whole building is surrounded by the lush greeneries, forming a multi-dimensional greening system. It purifies the air, conserve rainwater and reduce noise pollution.

FREEHOLD EXCLUSIVE LUXURY LIVING

COASTAL VILLAS



Around 4,489 - 9,236 square feet of 2-3 storeys Villas, Clustered Houses and Semi-Detached Bungalows, surrounded by massive gardens and complete with beautiful sea views, build-in elevator shaft space allows your own private elevator to be installed.



SPEAKER'S TEXT (cont'd)

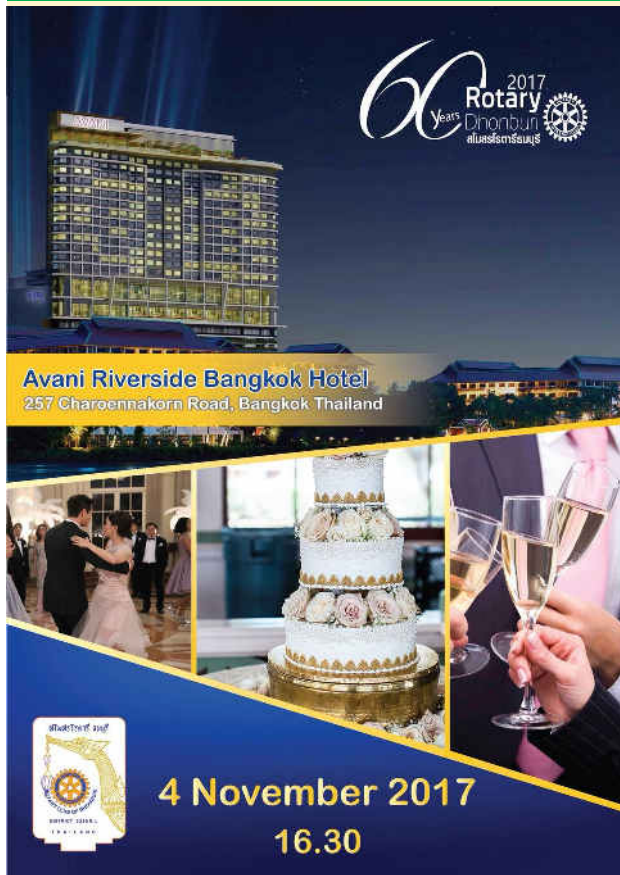


Welcome to Forest City

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

The presentation was most interesting and enlightening. Mr Aiman Reeza, who did most of the presentation, did an excellent job to the extent that the members stayed on to 2:30 pm (we normally breakup at 2:00 pm) with plenty of questions from the floor. It certainly looks like a fantastic world-class project. To cap it all, Mr Ryan Gwee extended an invitation for Club members to visit the project on a suitable date to be arranged. So far, four couples have accepted the offer.

RC DHONBURI's 60th ANNIVERSARY



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLUB & ROTARY EVENTS

Event: **RC Dhonburi's 60th Anniversary**

Venue: Avani Riverside Hotel, Bangkok

Date: Fri-Sun, 3-5 Nov, 2017

Time: 6.30 pm

OC: President Jeffrey Yap

Event: **AGM RY 2017-18**

Date: 18 Nov 2017

Venue: TBA

Time: 6:30 pm

OC: Hon Sec Mohan Raj

Event: **50TH DISTRICT INTERACT
CONFERENCE**

Date: 24-26 Nov 2017

Venue: NAN HWA HIGH SCHOOL SITIAWAN

Host Club: Rotary Club of Sitiawan

Event: **ROTARY INSTITUTE 2017 - TAIPEI:
ZONES 6B, 7A AND 10B**

Date: December 1st till 3rd, 2017.

Venue: Grand Hotel,
No.1, Sec. 4,
Zhongshan N. Rd.,
Zhongshan Dist,
Taipei City 10461, Taiwan (R.O.C.)

Event: **83rd DISCON**

Date: Fri-Sat, 8-9 Dec 2017

Venue: Sunway Resort Hotel

Time: 9.00 am

OC: Pres Jeffrey Yap

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Name: Ann Siew Kien & Roy Sreenivasan

Date: 1 Nov (anniv)

Name: Ann Carven & PE CT Heng

Date: 15 Nov (anniv)

Name: Ann Ten QN (Rtn Chee TK)

Date: 14 Nov

Name: Ann Chantra (Rtn Chinniah)

Date: 16 Nov

Name: Robert Tan

Date: 20 Nov

Name: Ann Pearl (Rtn Dr CC Wong)

Date: 22 Nov

Name: Ann Pearl & Rtn Dr CC Wong

Date: 24 Nov (anniv)

Name: Ann Elaine (PP Alex Chang)

Date: 23 Nov

Name: Rtn Sarkunan

Date: 28 Nov

Name: Ann Lilian (PDG Dr Paul Lee)

Date: 29 Nov

CONDOLENCES

*Our deepest condolences to the bereaved family
of PP Leong Choy Ying. She left them, and all of us,
at too young an age.*

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DISTRICT NEWS

DG's MESSAGE – OCTOBER 2017



October is the Economic and Community Development Month. We are in the fourth month of this Rotary year. I have visited 30 clubs to-date.

We have several programs lined up this month:

1. 24th October 2017 is the World Polio Day. Many clubs have taken the initiative to do their own events to commemorate World Polio Day. Rotary Club of Damansara Heights KL, is organising the Annual Oktoberfest with the aim of raising funds and creating awareness of Rotary's End Polio Now Campaign on 28th October 2017(Saturday) at 7 pm.
2. The TRF Seminar is on 29th October 2017 (Sunday) at 9.00am to 4.30 p.m. at Auditorium Tan Sri Datuk K.R. Soma, Wisma Tun Sambanthan, No.2, Jalan Sultan Sulaiman, Kampung Attap, 50000 WPKL. The cost is RM80 per pax.
3. The District Membership Seminar is at the Lost World Hotel Ballroom in Ipoh on 19th November 2017(Sunday).

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership in the District has risen from 1705 on 1st July 2017 to 1756 as at 3rd October 2017. I hope this trend will continue upwards and strengthen clubs in the District.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 8TH & 9TH DECEMBER 2017.

Our District Conference will be held on 8th & 9th December 2017 (Friday & Saturday) at the Sunway Resort Hotel, Petaling Jaya. The cost is RM450 per pax which is inclusive of Fellowship Dinner on Friday and Banquet Dinner on Saturday.

This conference is organised by the Rotarians for the Rotarians. The purpose of the confer-

ence is to provide opportunities for networking, inspirational addresses, and discussions of Rotary-related matters. The conference should also give Rotarians and clubs a vision of Rotary beyond club level and provide a memorable fellowship experience. Many Rotarians have said that they were never truly enthusiastic about Rotary until they saw an inspirational presentation at a district conference.

MID-TERM REVIEW AND ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3300 (MALAYSIA) BERHAD AGM.

All Presidents or their representative are required to attend the Mid-Term Review and the AGM on 8th December 2017 (Friday) at 9.00 am till 1 pm at Sunway Resort Hotel.

INTERACT CONFERENCE

This year's Interact Conference is being organised by the Rotary Club of Sitiawan on 24th to 26th November 2017.

All Rotary clubs are expected to urge their Interactors to attend the same.

YAYASAN KELAB-KELAB ROTARY MALAYSIA - COORDINATORS MEET

To be effective Yayasan coordinators, the District has appointed all 19 Assistant Governors as coordinators to promote Yayasan's activities. The Assistant Governors and other coordinators are required to attend the session on 16th December 2017 (Saturday) at 10.30 a.m. at the Rotary Centre, Kelana Jaya.

YAYASAN AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Yayasan will be held on 17th December 2017 (Sunday) at 2.00 p.m. at the Rotary centre. All Past District Governors and the board of Trustees are urged to attend this AGM.

Dr Manohur Kurup
District Governor 2017-18

DISTRICT NEWS

Our RY 2020-21 DG is PAG Teoh Kwan Swee

There being no challenge to the decision of the Nominating Committee which met on 8th October 2017, I am pleased to announce that the DGND for RY2020-21 is PAG TEOH KWAN SWEE.



Congratulations PAG Teoh Kwan Swee and The Rotary Club of Bukit Bintang. I am sure the whole District would stand by you during your year as Governor, as they stand by me in this term. All the Best in preparing for RY2020-21.

Once again, I thank the Nominating Committee for a job well done. Let us continue to Make A Difference.

Dr. Manohur Kurup
District Governor 2017-18

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Heartfelt Condolences

She was such a strong and wonderful person and friend. May her family and friends find solace and strength from her memories. May her soul rest in eternal peace.

*"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty."
Psalm 91:1*



LEONG CHOY YING
1966-2017



Has peacefully departed on **18th October 2017**, leaving behind beloved

Husband: Edward Wong Wai Leng
Children: Sean Wong Yu Tian
Melissa Wong Woen Qi
Scott Wong Yu Xuan



Brothers, sisters, relatives and friends

Wake service at **Nirvana Memorial Center, Parlour 22 (Violet), No.1, Jalan 1/116A, Off Jalan Sungai Besi, 57100 Kuala Lumpur** at **8:30pm** on **Friday, 20th October 2017**.

Funeral service at the same venue on **Saturday, 21st October 2017** at **10am**, thence to **Nirvana Crematorium, Shah Alam**.

For information. **012 6512007 / 012 3992164**

RI NEWS

RI President's Message - November 2017



In many ways, The Rotary Foundation is an invisible presence in our clubs. Most of what we do in our clubs and our districts, on a weekly basis, we do without the active involvement of the Foundation. But our Foundation is invisible in our clubs in the same way the foundation of a building is invisible when you're in it: Just because you don't see it doesn't mean it's not holding you up.

The Foundation that enabled Rotary to take on poli...o is, in many ways, the foundation upon which our Rotary service is built. For 100 years, since it came into existence with a first donation of \$26.50, the Foundation has supported and strengthened our service, enabled our ambitions, and allowed us to be the organization that we are. Because of the Foundation, Rotarians know that if we have the ambition and put in the work, very little is truly beyond us.

It is an incredibly effective model that we have here in Rotary, one that no other organization

can match. We are completely local and completely global: We have local skills, connections, and knowledge in over 35,000 clubs, in nearly every country of the world. We have a deserved reputation for transparency, effectiveness, and good business practices, and because we are highly skilled professionals as well as volunteers, we achieve a level of efficiency that very few other organizations can approach.

To put it simply, a dollar given to The Rotary Foundation has a great deal more muscle than a dollar given to most charities. If you want to spend a dollar on Doing Good in the World, you can't do better than to spend it with the Foundation. That is not just me speaking out of pride; it is verifiably true and is reflected in our rankings by independent organizations.

In the Foundation's centennial year, Rotarians surpassed our goal of raising \$300 million. If you were part of that achievement, you have been part of something tremendous. Somewhere in the world, someplace you have probably never been, people you may never meet will lead better lives because of you. Ultimately, it is our Foundation that lets us make good on our core beliefs: that we can make a difference, that we have an obligation to do so, and that working together, as well and as efficiently as we can, is the only way to effect real and lasting change.

Ian H.S. Riseley
President 2017-18

RI NEWS

Trustee chair's message - November 2017



A few months ago, I raised the question, "What do the Trustees do, anyway?" I reflected that a critical role of ours is to listen. This month, Rotary Foundation Month, I can happily report that you speak volumes – and that you are heard.

The late RI President-elect Sam F. Owor said he saw in Rotarians "an incredible passion to make a difference" and wanted to "harness that enthusiasm and pride so that every project becomes the engine of peace and prosperity." From your letters, reports, and wonderful stories, we know you share Sam's vision of a world where Rotarians unite and take action to create sustainable change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. Last year we saw an increase in the number of global and

district grants initiated and another record high in Rotary Peace Fellowship applications. We also saw increased totals in overall giving, reflecting your passion for what we do as "People of Action." A special thanks to Rotary's club and district leaders for providing continuity in all our endeavors.

Recognition as the World's Outstanding Foundation by the Association of Fundraising Professionals at its international convention affirms the work you are helping make possible. AFP's committee of judges cited Rotary's comprehensive campaign to eradicate polio as a major factor in the Foundation's selection.

To Benefactors, Bequest Society members, and all levels of Major Donors, thank you! You are building financial stability for the future. Our Endowment Fund continues to grow because of your belief in the Foundation and its continually evolving programs. We are well underway with our "Building TRF Endowment: 2025 by 2025" initiative – to achieve \$2.025 billion in gifts and commitments by 2025.

As one Rotarian to another, from my heart to yours, please accept my personal thanks for your unflagging work and many accomplishments over the years. One of the genuine privileges of serving in a key leadership role in Rotary is being able to continue learning from Rotarian friends as passionate and committed as you.

Let us celebrate Rotary Foundation Month together!

Paul A. Netzel
Trustee Chair 2017-18

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

An Inspirational speaker said: "The best days of my life were the days I spent with another man's wife". Audience was in shock and silent. Then he added: "and she is my mother". A big round of applause and laughter followed.

One Man who listened to the speech decided to crack this joke at home. After dinner, he said to his wife: the best days of my life were the days I spent with another man's wife.... After a moment he tried to recall the second line.....

By the time he regained consciousness, he was on hospital bed, recovering from burns of hot water poured by his wife.

Moral of the Lesson :
Do not copy if you cannot paste...



ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

New Malaysian invention sold in Giant Hypermarket: RAPING PAPER. A MUST have for all the inspiring RAPIST out there! Get it while stocks last. Only RM1 (before GST).

P/s: Deputy Education Minister P. Kamalanathan was right all along. Not only Malaysia's standard of English is higher than Singapore's, our level of innovation is even better!

