

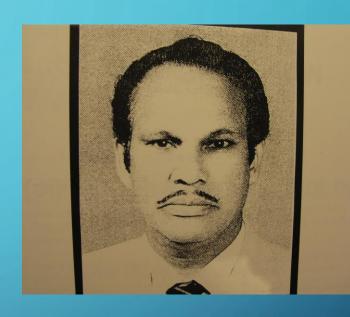
# MY GLIMPSES OF THE PAST

WITH THE ROTARY CLUB OF MARINA CITY)

K. A. ABRAHAM

# INTRODUCTION TO ROTARY

The late PDG Dr M.G. John
 He introduced me to Rotary in 1984



- 36 lovely people
- It was Lunch, Friends & Fellowship in that order
- My early days in Rotary

## LOOK WHAT I FOUND

RCMC CHARTER



#### Rotary Club of Marina City - Singapore

District 330 of Rotary International

Secretariat address: P.O.Box 489 Serangoon Garden Post Office, Singapore 1955. Weekly Luncheon Thursday 12.30pm at Novotel Orchid Inn 214 Dunearn Road Singapore 1129

#### Discover A New World of Service

#### NEWSLETTER 1

Board of Directors 1985/86

25 April 1985

#### CHARTER NIGHT

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Dr John Chong Yean Chong
Tel:7488712

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Tel:2230407

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Kulbir Singh

Tel:5332755

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International Service Vijay Menon Tel:2515106

> Vocational Service Amin Soh Tel: 3371955

> > Youth Service Wong Hong Sze Tel:2298904

The grand function at the Hilton Ballroom on 12 April 1985 was a great success. This is a result of the amount of effort and demanding attention put in by the Organising Committee especially its Chairman, Rtn. Peter Ling, and Rtn Amin Soh. We congratulate them for a task well done.

#### DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

This is to be held at Kuantan from 17 May to 19 May 1985. Registration fees are:-

- a) S\$100/- per Rotarian
- b) S\$ 80/- per Ann or guest

It has been emphasised by Pres. Hector Charles that this Assembly will be especially beneficial for Office Bearers and as such, we certainly hope that such office bearers can make time for the Assembly.

Registration forms are available from Pres. Hector Charles. Please submit your forms early.

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Service Above Self-He Profits Most Who Serves Best

# AWAKENING IN ROTARY

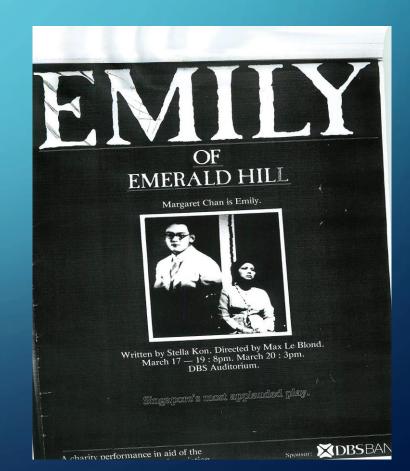
President John Chan-1986-87



Director of Community Service –What is that?

Major Project-Emily of Emerald Hill

Raised over \$50,000 for SANA



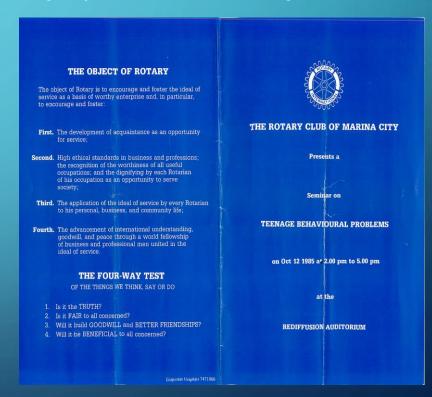
# MEMORABLE EARLY PROJECTS

1 Providing Hearing And Teaching Aids to Canossian School for the Hearing Impaired-Dr John Chong

2 "Teenage Behavioral Problems" Seminar organized by us

3 RYLA organized by RCMC

4 Emily of Emerald Hill



# LEARNING IN ROTARY

• My 1<sup>st</sup> District Assembly- another awakening experience-1986 "Enter to learn and go forth to serve"

No turning back- first realized the importance of our Guiding Principles

• What are the G.P. of Rotary?

# MY YEAR AS PRESIDENT

TRAINING- this was important in the club

All Board members were required to go for the D.A. and I managed to get all of them to come

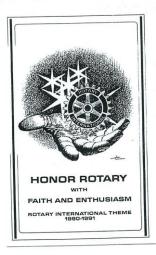
The Presidents then conducted their own training at club level

Extracts of my speech at my Installation:

" A Rotary Club President is unique in being powerless.

He must coax, convince and cajole. He must condescend, even crawl but never command or complain, to be a good one..."

#### ROTARY CLUB OF MARINA CITY



workshop for Board of Directors '9()-91 MARINA MANDARIN 5th M/4Y'9()

## BULLETINS OF RCMC -1991

Bulletin No. 75/25

MCI(P) No 36/7/90

13th June 1991

#### **Board Of Directors**

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#### EDITORIA

#### Presidential Address at the Installation Dinner

"I would not be doing justice, especially to my board of directors, if I did not atleast mention in brief our activities, for the year. They have truly done a magnificent

job. Three major community service projects were undertaken. While it is often easy to get members to contribute in cash or kind towards a project, this is not always the case when you ask of their time and personal effort. In two of these projects, we attempted

In the first project done early in the year, we set out to paint a home for the Aged Sick - Mother Teresa's home in Pongol.

Over 60% of our members together with members of Dunman Interact club and St.Thomas Interact club contributed their time and talent to do this job. It was remarkable in that a job that may have cost up to \$20,000/- was completed in under \$4,000.

In a second project, the club members were called upon to do a in a section project, the club mistors were called upon to do a similar formidable task. 1,800 units of litter pickers (a mechanical device specially designed to pick litter) were assembled by our members with the help of a few well-wishers and the inmates of Sembawang Drug Centre. The litter pickers were presented to the Ministry of the Environment during "Clean & Green Week". This was used by school children on Nov 10 to clean the parks & beaches of Singapore. This project was our contribution to R.I.'s call to "Preserve Planet Earth".

In a third Community Service project, we are co-sponsors in a donation draw, to raise funds to build Tampines East Community Centre. This will be completed in September this year. Our Community Service director, Khaw Poh Kooi must be congratulated for a

The Vocational and Youth Service committees jointly organized, together with Dunman Interact club a very successful career guidance seminar for school children, called "Get That Job".

A second on-going Vocational Service award has been created called "Excellence in Customer Services". An employee of Changi International Airport Services will be given this award tonight.

I am pleased to say that groundwork for the formation of a

Rotaract club has been completed. Potential members have already begun meeting informally, and the new year should surely be the birth of our much talked about community based, Rotaract club,

#### THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

To encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise

- The development of an acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- High ethical standards in business and profession, the recognization of the worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his per-
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the ideal of service.

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OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO

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

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7"February 1991

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#### BDITORIAL

#### ASIA ZONE 4 INSTITUTE

SOME OF THE TOPICS AND BACKGROUND MATERIALS DISCUSSED:-

Venue: The Marina Mandarin. Date: 1 - 3 Feb. 91

- o Rotarians-Clubs-Districts Work to "Preserve Planet Earth" - The Flora, Fauna, Air Pollution & Water
- o The Implementation of Better Management and Administration in R I Districts
- o The Rotary Foundation Endowment Programme
- o "Partners In Service": Rotary, Rotaract, Interact and the Rotary Village Corps
- o Better Human Development Through Literacy Promotion, Drug Abuse Prevention, Service to the Elderly, World Community Service and Rotary Volunteers in Action

The above Institute is the Policy making body for Asia Zone. Over 300 DGS, PDGS, DGNS and RI Offices from all over Asia, including RI President Elect, Rajendra K Saboo, as representative of RI President, Paulo V C Costa, attended the Workshop.

Our Club President, Dr.K A Abraham had the rare opportunity to be the ADC to the RI President Elect, during his stay in Singapore.

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# DG 1ST BULLETIN - 1990



### DISTRICT 330



JOHN CHEAH KAM LOONG DISTRICT GOVERNOR 330 1990-1991

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM-MALAYSIA-SINGAPORE

NO. 1

**JULY 1990** 

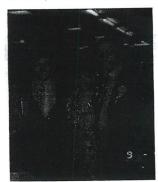
FOR MEMBERS ONLY

#### TO THE PRESIDENTS OF R.I. DISTRICT 330 1990-1991

Salam bahagia and greetings to you Presidents of R.I. District 330 and your Board of Directors. My fellow musicians, this is your conductor speaking to you as the leading music makers of your clubs. The 79 of you are very special to me and you are chosen to captain and motivate your club for the Rotary year of 1990/ 1991. Each and every one of you are in my team in recognition of your strong leadership abilities and your outstanding contribution to you community and to your country. Your worthy performance in your business or profession, and above all, your strong tamily values make you a leader. Your recognition as a leader is due to your true calling to service. As such, your fellow Rotarians have placed their complete confidence in you.

For this recognition you have to live up to your reputation and not betray the bust your club has so wholeheartedly placed upon you. Your role as a President is to motivate your club and help transform R.I. President Paulo's theme of "HONOUR ROTARY WITH FAITH AND ENTHUSIASM" into action by being

the first to spin the wheel into action. How successful you are depends a great deal on the manner in which you mobilise your work-force, or rather the Rotarians who form your own team. There will be

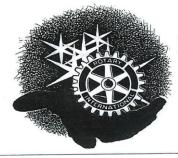


no Rotary Clubs wintout Rotarians, and faithful and enthusiastic rotarians are the clubs' greatest assets. So do galvanize them to vibrant workforce and help to make President Paulo's theme or dream come true. To successful, do be guided by certain principles of the past achievement of leaders who had gone before you. Recognized the fact that as President of your club, you are dealing with successful and intelligent volunteers. In whatever you do:

- Do develop a firm but fair manner remember always that a little kindness goes a long way.
- Be courageous, don't be afraid to make changes if it is for the better.
   Please lead by example and not by
- lip service.

  4. Encourage each and every member to keep active, find a little something
- for each Rotarian to play his role.

  5. Always give praises where praises are due, it is a good practice to brighten someone's day.
- Do listen carefully, a successful President always pays attention.



### **HONOR ROTARY**

FAITH AND ENTHUSIASM

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL THEME . 1990-1991

### PROJECTS IN MY YEAR AS PRESIDENT-90-91

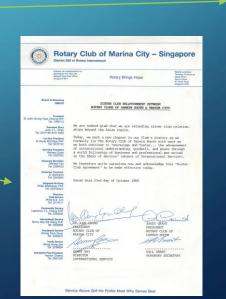
1 PAINTING MOTHER TERESA'S HOME



3 HELP FOR VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE IN BARQUIO, PHILIPINES —

?our 1st international project

4 Signing of sister club relations with RCP



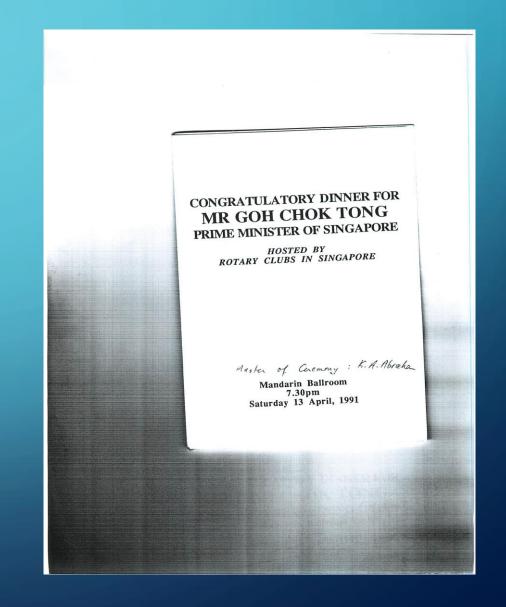


### ROTARY CONGRATULATORY DINNER FOR PM GOH CHOK TONG

In Singapore Rotary did not have a place of pride, with the Government. "Fat men dining in 6 star hotels"

The Presidents of 90-91 wanted to change that opinion of us.

What did it achieve??





# PROGRESS IN ROTARY

MY CLUB ROLES -- Kept being invited

My DISTRICT ROLES- AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME
- GSE PROGRAMME
- ASSISTANT GOVERNOR UNDER PDG STEPHEN WAN ULLOK

Centennial D.C,-Organizing Chairman





In 1984, the Rotary Club of Marina City, the brainchild of the Rotary Club of Singapore East, was organised, unde the guidance of PDG Dr. M.G. John.

The Club received in Charmend on 12th April 1985, with Bector Charles as its Charter President and 36 members. The same evening \$52,000 was donated to the Singapore Anti-Narcoic Association (SANA) for its "Adapt an Addice Scheme." \$51,0000 was also resident buyer are a High Tail Pashion show and dismarked "Woodlings Homes for the Aged" for resorating in multi-purpose Hill. The Instruct Club of Domann Secondary School was formed and multi-beth arrangement was usaged with the Econy Lind of San Francisco Deb Manne Earn was supported by the Command of the Co

Dr. John Chinne Decime the second Penishent of our Chill (Retury Your 1986-87). We jointly bound the Stoft RI District 198 Austhambly with the Retury Chill of Singapore Bast the years, 58(2000 war inself through) a Williation and the amount was domated to the Canossian School for Hearing Impaired to purchase hearing said for the hearing impaired children. The Marc Cantenness Engloyer Avenuer was created that year and awarded for the first time to an employee of Singapore Avi Terminal Service (SATS). March thab arrangement was signed with the Rodry Chile of Districts soot and as second interact Chile, the Interact Chile of St. Thomas

John Chan, was President of our Chib in the Recopy Year 1987-88, It was a significant year for our Chib. We staught the Play, filmly of Brancel Hill. IT is was all-see. We revised \$5.000 and presented in \$5.000 and \$5

Our Club's fourth President was Dr. Kwok Wil Mon (Benzy Year 1988-89). The year was memorable that in our 4th year in existence, we sponsored a Rotary club - The Rotary Club of Serangoon Gardens. We rissed \$314,000 that year for the Singspoor Children's Society, for their Computer Appreciation Programme, and also participated in a World Community Service Project for the Salvation Army, with Districts 945,946 and 947 in Australia. Our Club Soog, which we now play at every meeting, was insugraried that year.

Lawrence Cheng was President in the Rotary Year 1989-90. That year we raised \$\$10,000 for the Singapore Council of Social Services for their Youth Volunteer Training Programme. The bulletin, in its present form was first published on a weekly basis and a Rotary Pen Set was designed and sold to raise Insufa

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# **JOINT INTERNATIONAL PROJECT 2010-11**

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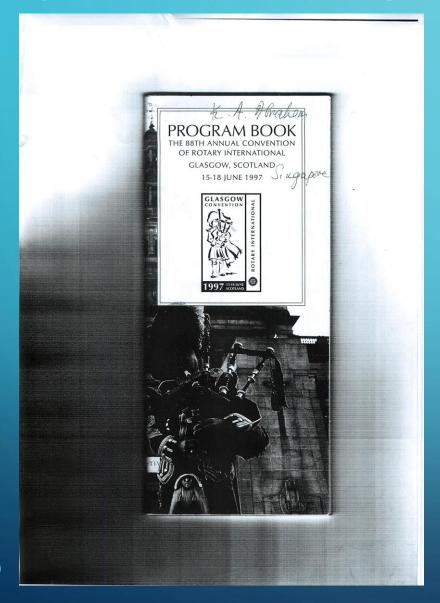
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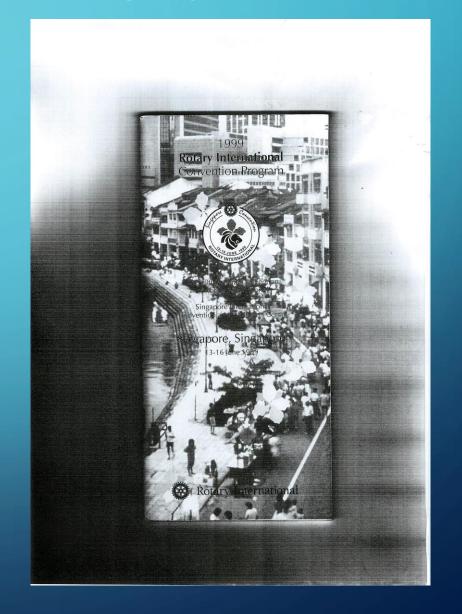
1 TRIP TO CAMBODIA WITH R.C. SPORE

2 Medial mission with R.C. Sentosa



# ROTARY INTERNATION CONVENTIONS





Governorship-A unique & unforgettable experience

Yes energy sapping, time consuming and financially

draining

yet I would not exchange it for anything else

- The International Assembly -training with 540 DGE
- The visits to all 62 clubs- a one time experience to see our Rotarians in service and to enjoy their love

# THE INTERNATIONAL ASSEMBLY









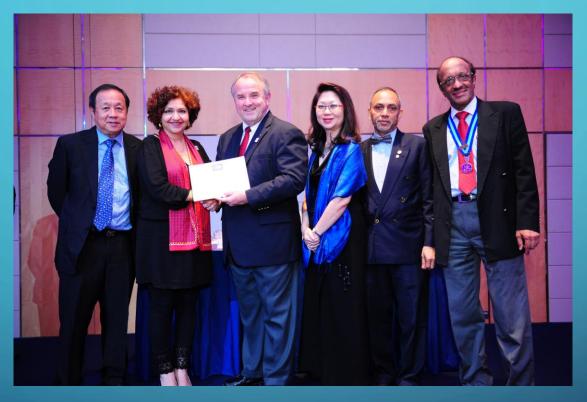
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# I HAVE ENJOYED MY YEARS IN ROTARY I CONTINUE TO THINK THAT ROTARY HAS A FRAMEWORK TO BUILD A BETTER WORLD



THANK YOU