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### Rotary Humanitarian Project

GG#2120896 - Total Fund USD 48,000 (1,488,000 Thai Baht)

มอบเครื่องช่วยหายใจ (High Frequency Oscillatory Ventilator Model SLE6000)

ให้กับ โรงพยาบาลวชิรพยาบาล (Vajira Hospital) วันที่ 18 สิงหาคม 2564 (18 August 2021)

สนับสนุนโดย มูลนิธิโรตารี (The Rotary Foundation)

Rotary International District 3310

Rotary Club of Pasir Gudang, Malaysia

Rotary Club of Singapore

Rotary International District 3350

Rotary Club of Suan Chit Lada (Host)

Rotary Club of Srapathum

Rotary Club of Bangkok Nawamin

# Official Banner: Launch of Global Grant 2120896

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### In Focus

### 104<sup>th</sup> Approved Global Grant

By: District Rotary Foundation Committee (DRFC) Chair, PP Dr Shahul Hameed



PP Dr Shahul Hameed

This 104<sup>th</sup> Approved GG for Rotary Club (RC) of Singapore is to provide a high frequency ventilator for the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit for Vajira Hospital. This tertiary health care facility was established in 1913 by King Rama VI and is sited within the Faculty of Medicine, Navamindradhiraj University, Bangkok, Thailand. The Pediatric ICU unit sees about 100 children each year needing respiratory support with about 10 children requiring the High Frequency Oscillatory Ventilator. This particular type of ventilator will avoid lung damage for very young Children. This donated Ventilator will replace the hospital's current 17-year old High Frequency Ventilator that is almost obsolete. The hospital currently has 5 other regular Ventilators.

Due to Covid regulations, the Equipment handover, that took place on 18 August 2021, was held outdoors at the Hospital's grounds and attended by the Hospital Chief and Senior Pediatric Doctors as well as Rotarians from RC Suan Chit Lada. DRFC D3310 Dr Shahul Hameed represented RC Singapore and District 3310 in a virtual link-up. Rotarians from D3310 are cordially invited to visit the Hospital in the near future.

Official Banner: Launch of **GG 2120896** 

High Frequency Ventilator for Pediatric ICU, Dusit District, Bangkok, Thailand

# Rotary 🎇



#### **Primary Partners:**

RC <u>Suan</u> Chit Lada
District 3350, District 3310
RC <u>Pasir</u> Gudang (Malaysia)
RC Singapore

Significant Support with DDF from District 3350, 3310

Special thanks to
PP Winston Doong
Past President
RC Suan Chit Lada, Bangkok
Thailand



### 104<sup>th</sup> Approved Global Grant ... contd.

### 104th Approved Global Grants approved 22 April 2021

GG 2120896

High frequency ventilator for Pediatric ICU, Dusit District, Bangkok, Thailand

USD \$48,000

Primary Partner: RC Suan Chit Lada Partner Club: RC Pasir Gudang Primary Contact: Shahul Hameed

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## **Meeting Report**

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2021-2022 held on 18.8.2021

Honorary Secretary Jessica Lim opened the Meeting and called on Public Image Director Rtn Ranga Somanathan to read out the meeting house-keeping rules before handing the Chair to President Louis Lim.

#### **TOAST**

President Louis also called on Rtn Ranga who invited members to join him in a toast to the Rotary Club of Hannover coupled with the toast to Rotary International. Rtn Ranga advised that the Hannover club was founded in 1932 as the first Rotary Club in Lower-Saxony, Germany. The club currently has 130 members. Present at the meeting was Rtn Dr Bjorn Jackisch who advised that it was the first time attending a meeting in Singapore and sent greetings from the Hannover club.



Rtn Ranga Somanathan

#### INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS



Rtn Annshoole (Annsh)
Place of Work: Credit Suisse AG
Classification: Data Analytics: Banking
Proposer: Rtn Suresh Keerthi

Mentor: IPP Dinesh Sharma

Rtn Annsh is married to Vandana for the past 3 years and has lived in Singapore for 6 years.

He works with Credit Suisse Private Banking domain serving Swiss Domicile clients only in Business Intelligence Analytics department.

He attained his Masters in Business Administration (MBA) in Finance from S.P. Jain Center of Management, Singapore and engineering in Electronics & Communication from Jaypee Institute of Information Technology, Noida.

Rtn Annsh is a Maths enthusiast and represented India at International American Regions Math League Stanford and at Australian Mathematics league conducted by Westpac Bank. This also drove his interest to complete CQF (Quant finance degree), CFA equivalent mathematical finance accreditation professional certification from Fitch Learning London.

Together with his father, Rtn Annsh supports their NGO named Sarvautthan Foundation, where they impart primary education for underprivileged children.

His hobbies include playing Tennis, Sudoku, travelling and exploring new places, and watching political as well as historical documentaries.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2021-2022 held on 18.8.2021

#### INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS... contd.



### Rtn Imane Jamal Eddine Place of Work: Microsoft

Classification: Customer Relationship Management: IT Services

Proposer: Rtn Francesco De Liva

Mentor: PP Perlita Tiro

Rtn Imane is Microsoft Singapore's Country Head of Customer Success. In this role, she leads the Customer Success Unit responsible of ensuring customers cloud onboarding, success and value realization. Through her passion for diversity and inclusion, Rtn Imane continues to deliver an impact on the business by increasing diversity of her team beyond gender to race, ethnicity, religion, and orientation.

Prior to her role at Microsoft, Imane accumulated over 15 years of customer success and product management experience. She was previously the Head of Customer Success for both ASEAN Enterprise and Japan & APAC SMB & SMC in Oracle.

Rtn Imane graduated from Tohoku University in Japan with a master's degree in Electrical and Communication Engineering. She has lived and worked in France, Japan, Morocco, and Singapore.

Outside of work, Rtn Imane is married to Khaled Jamal Eddine for 17 years, she has two sons born in Singapore, speaking Singlish. She enjoys writing, reading and spending time with her family.

#### GUEST SPEAKERS: MS ANG BOON MIN & MS TAN BEE JOO TOPIC: CHAMPIONING THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES IN SINGAPORE

To introduce the two Speakers from the Singapore Children's Society (SCS), President Louis called on Rtn Dr Ganesh Ramalingam. Ms Ang is the CEO of the SCS and appointment she held since 1 May 2020. She joined the Society as Deputy Director of Strategic Planning in September 2013. Ms Tan is the Group Lead, Family Services and has been with the Society since 1998.





Speakers: Ms Ang Boon Min & Ms Tan Bee Joo

Ms Ang started the presentation with a summary of the work done by the Society, which was established in 1952, and its mission to bring relief and happiness to children in need. She highlighted that SCS has continuously adapted its services to meet the changing need of beneficiaries, while staying true to its mission. However, Ms Ang noted that the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated pressures on families during a period when children and youth need even more support and guidance to address their fears, stresses and anxieties. Both Ms Ang and Ms Tan spoke of some of the emerging threats and challenges to the well-being of children, youth and families in Singapore and how the Society has adapted to ensure that it would be in a good position to address these threats and challenges. (A copy of SCS presentation is available from the Secretariat.)

President Louis invited Rtn Jasbir Koh to extend the Club's vote of thanks. Rtn Jasbir noted that the topic touched many hearts and indeed it was timely to have Ms Ang and Ms Tan speak to the Club addressing concerns especially for parents. She hoped that the Club would have a collaboration with Interact Clubs and the Singapore Children's Society.

President Louis further invited Hon. Member (HM) PP Koh Choon Hui to address the Club. HM PP Choon Hui thanked the Club for inviting Ms Ang and Ms Tan to speak at the meeting. He added that Club's association with SCS went back many years and in fact its convalescence home in Changi was started with a donation from the Club. HM PP Choon Hui added that he joined the Club in 1974 and became a volunteer at SCS in 1975.

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# **Meeting Report**

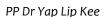
### 8th Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2021-2022 held on 25.8.2021

#### OPENING REMARKS

Honorary Secretary Jessica Lim welcomed members to the meeting and called on Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Dr Claus Dusemund to read the meeting's house-keeping rules.

#### **TOAST**

Next, President Louis Lim called on PP Dr Yap Lip Kee to raise a toast to Rotary International.



#### **BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**



President Louis extended birthday greetings to all celebrants for the week, including warm birthday greetings to Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Claus and Honorary Member Mohan Vaswani who were present at the hybrid meeting venue.

#### **HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS!**

President Louis was pleased to announce that Rtn Suresh Keerthi was recognized with a District Governor's Special Award (RY2020-21) for his outstanding contribution in membership development. Rtn Suresh then took the opportunity to acknowledge the presence of some guests and prospective members who were present at the meeting.





Rtn Suresh Keerthi

#### NOTICE FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President Louis gave notice to members for nominations for the Nominating Committee which should be in writing and received by 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

He advised that in accordance with the Club's Bylaws, the four elected members of the Nominating Committee must each have been members of this Club for at least 3 years and must have been a member of the Club's Board of Directors for at least one full year and have no arrears in dues. No person shall be a member of the nominating committee for more than 3 consecutive years. If more than four nominations are received, a vote will be held. If the number of nominations is less than four, the Board shall have the power to fill any vacancy.

President Louis requested if there were any queries regarding the Nominating Committee to forward them to the Club.

# **Meeting Report**

### 8th Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2021-2022 held on 25.8.2021

#### **KYFR** KNOW YOUR FELLOW ROTARIAN



President Louis called on KYFR Speaker, Rtn Ong Ting Yong who joined the Club in January 2021. Rtn Ting Yong warmly thanked his proposer PE James Lee, Rtn Suresh Keerthi and PP Tapan Rao who helped him understand more about Rotary. Rtn Ting Yong graduated from NUS with a Bachelor of Social Science, Economics & Statistics.



Rtn Ong Ting Yong

Rtn Ting Yong added that he is a Financial Planner specializing in insurance, retirement planning and legacy planning. He expressed his immense pleasure in being able to assist his friends and clients. He described the reasons for his decision to join the Rotary Club which provided many platforms, opportunities and projects for meaningful work. He further appreciated the fact that every member was a teacher and mentor to him.

He further shared what kept him inspired, happy and motivated – the beach, he explained was his ideal holiday and retirement plan; his family is a large part of his life and the reason why he works so hard! Lastly, the gym – his happy place and private space where he tunes out the world, since he was 16 years old! He spoke of what kept him occupied whenever he needed a break – such as studying and learning new things; walking, particularly with his family and lastly daydreaming!

#### FIRESIDE CHAT WITH GUEST SPEAKER: MR LING TING MING TOPIC: HUMANITY AND AI - How has COVID-19 accelerated the adoption of robotics, and brought human and robots closer

The Club's first Fireside Chat for this Rotary Year was moderated by Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Dr Claus Dusemund, who started the proceedings by introducing Mr Ling Ting Ming. Mr Ling is the CEO of Activ and OTSAW, and brings more than 25 years of experience in technology, sales and marketing, with a proven track record in the information and communications technology in Asia. He founded OTSAW in 2015 which expanded to the United States, where he spearheaded the company's technological forefront by becoming the first few companies in Singapore to set up base in Silicon Valley to build Autonomous Drive and Robots.



Speaker, Mr Ling Ting Ming

Mr Ling highlighted his company's journey in brining sustainable robotic solutions with their patented UV-C LED disinfection ecosystem, first in Singapore contactless delivery and security. He noted that human resources and labour shortages have become critical issues during the pandemic which businesses were facing. He added there was a need for collaboration of robots and humans to help businesses improve performance efficiency and effectiveness. He noted that the COVID pandemic has changed lives and that AI plays a part in saving our lives as well as benefitting humanity. (A copy of Mr Ling's presentation is available from the Secretariat.)

At the end of his presentation, Mr Ling kindly answered the many interested queries posed to him by members. Moderator Rtn Claus warmly thanked Mr Ling for his interesting presentation and presented the Club's Certificate of Appreciation and a copy of the Book of Humour to Mr Ling.

# Mark Your Diary

#### **Birthday Celebrants**

RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrants:

Atul Merchant

Ingo Kleinschmidt

Horst Hagemann

Ujjal Nandi

Joseph Chia

Hassan Moosa

#### **Anniversary**

RC sends best wishes to Wedding **Anniversary celebrants:** 

Joseph & Maria Chia

Dr Melvin & Sharon Tan

#### **Committee** Meetings

**All Service Committee Meetings** will be held on Thursdays from 7.00 to 8.00pm

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Thursday, 2 September 2021

**VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** Thursday, 9 September 2021

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Thursday, 16 September 2021

**YOUTH SERVICE:** Thursday, 23 September 2021

#### This Meeting

1 September 2021 From 7.00 to 8.30pm

Fireside Chat Speaker: Mr Bjorn Low, Co-founder, Edible Garden City Pte Ltd

Topic: The Emergence of a new agriculture paradigm

#### 8 September 2021 From 7.00 to 8.30pm

**Next Meeting** 

Speaker: Dr He Ruimin, Grab

Developer

Topic: To be advised

#### **Coming Rotary Events**

#### September

**Basic Education & Literacy Month** 

#### October

**Economic & Community Development Month** 

#### November

**Rotary Foundation Month** 

#### December

**Disease Prevention & Treatment** Month

#### January

**Vocational Service Month** 

Peace & Conflict Prevention / **Resolution Month** 

#### March

**Water & Sanitation Month** 

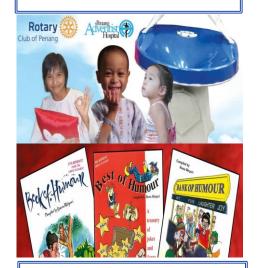
Maternal & Child Health Month

#### Mav

**Youth Serviced Month** 

**Rotary Fellowships Month** 

#### BOOK OF HUMOUR



A full set of 3 editions – Book of **Humour, Best of Humour & Bank** of Humour, come in a beutifully designed box housing this set for only \$25.00

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#### **T**he Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



### The Guide to Daily Living

Before doing the things we want to do, consider first, the Precepts of the guide. Ask ourselves these 4 questions and act upon them:

First: Have I spent some time in self-examination?

Second: Have I spent quality time with my family?

Third: Have I given my best to my work?

Fourth: Have I given some time to someone near and far?

The Guide, in fact, encompasses the 4 parts of the Object of Rotary.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2021/2022**

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