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In Focus

Help the Children Project 2023

By: District Governor Nominee (DGN) Dr Shahul Hameed, Project Coordinator



DGN Dr Shahul Hameed

Rotary Club of Singapore continued with its signature Help the Children Project for the year 2024 with a Project visit to the city of Malang and Batu in East Java, Indonesia, from 1-3 September 2023. The delegation of 65 Rotarians and Family Members was led by RC Singapore's President Dr Chan Siew Luen and included Rotarians from Singapore, Malaysia, Philippines, Australia. We were also to include DGE JSC from D3490, Taiwan and 7 Members of his District's World Community Service as part of our delegation.

The project provided each student with School going items including books, stationery, shoes, and school uniforms from 20 elementary schools. The poorest 25 students from each school as recommended by the schools' principals received the benefits worth USD\$125 per student. To qualify for assistance, the students' household income should not exceed USD\$30 per month. For this year, a total of 525 such students received assistance. The project also received support from the local Mayor's office and ministries.

In addition, the delegation also made our annual visit to Bhakti Luhur Orphanage in Malang. This Orphanage is the largest in East Java with estimated 350 residents and 150 staff Members. RC Singapore has been providing assistance for the Orphanage for the past 13 years. This included with several Global Grants and financial, food and medication assistance in cooperation with IshK Tolaram Foundation.

At the close of the visit, RC Singapore agreed to continue assisting the community in Malang and Batu with several more Global Grants in the pipeline. We are also grateful to our Honorary Member Rtn Mohan Vaswani and his spouse Kawita for graciously hosting the delegation throughout our stay and visit to Malang and Batu. We are already looking forward to the 2024 edition of "Help the Children Project!"



Full delegation including Indonesian Rotarians at Bhakti Luhur Orphanage

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Visiting an Elementary School in Malang



Students receiving their School items



Special gifts from D3310 prepared by Rtn Frankie & Pauline from RC Kuching Central



Briefing on Physiotherapy Global Grant at the Orphanage



Briefing on Speech Therapy Global Grant

Meeting Report

19th Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2023-20234 held on 29.11.2023.

Welcome of Guests and Visiting Rotarians

The meeting was opened by President Dr Chan Siew Luen who then invited Honorary Secretary Suzanne Ng to welcome Guests of members and visiting Rotarian:

Guests:

Speaker, Dr Anuradha Rao
 First Lady Patricia Wang
 Ms Monica Patel
 Mr Benjamin Tay
 Mr Ned Whittington

Visiting Rotarian:

Rtn Marc Limacher – RC Bern-Kirchenfeld, Switzerland



Rtn Suzanne Ng

Toast to Rotary International

Toastmaster Rtn Jeyanthi Mala Rama Krishnan invited members to join her in raising a toast to Rotary International, as there were no visiting Rotarians as that time.



Rtn Jeyanthi Mala Rama Krishnan

Presentation/Exchange of Club Banners



Rtn Francesco De Liva presented banners from his visits to Rotary Clubs of Bangkok (left) and Brescia Sud Est Montichiari, Italy

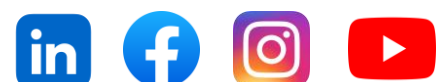


Upon his arrival to the meeting, visiting Rtn Marc Limacher presented his club's banner (RC Bern Kirchenfeld) to Pres. Siew Luen

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Meeting Report

Proceedings of the 19th Weekly Meeting ... *contd.*

President's Announcements

- The Club's Christmas Party will be held at Hon Member Mohan & Kawita Vaswani's residence on Friday, 15.12.23. Service Committees that are having meetings will start at 6.00pm, followed by dinner and fellowship at 7.00pm.
- Donation options for the Club's Major Project towards the equine-assisted learning programme for children at Chen Su Lan Methodist Children's Home were highlighted. It was noted that S\$70,000 was still needed for this programme in order to assist children in need.

What Happened Last Week?



Pres. Siew Luen presents a gift to RC Taipei's Pres. Shirley



Rotary Club of Taipei (Sister Club) Welcome Dinner on 24.11.23



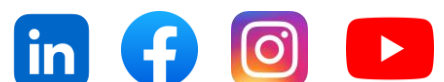
Celebrating RC Taipei's 75th Charter Anniversary on 25.11.23

From left: Dir. Dr Rupesh Agrawal, VP Frank & Fancy Pao, PP Stan & Dolores Low, 1st Lady Patricia & Pres. Dr Chan Siew Luen, PP Mark & Tracey Wang, Dir. Louisa Lee & Dr Yue Weng Cheu, Dir. Ong Ting Yong

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Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) Presentations

President Siew Luen called on the following members to receive their PHF recognitions:



Photos from left: Rtns Francesco De Liva (PHF+3), Jacqueline Koh (PHF & PHF+1), Jens Ruebbert (PHF & PHF+2)

Painting for Auction

Recently returned from overseas, Rtn Terry Lobaton presented her painting entitled “Happy Hour” of the Raffles Hotel which would be put up for auction. She recounted that the painting was done in 2020, and working on it gave her happiness and relief during the pandemic period. Rtn Terry added that she was pleased with the painting’s frame which costs \$1,100 and would start the auction bid with her contribution of \$888.



Rtn Terry Lobaton presents her \$888 cheque to Pres. Siew Luen

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Guest Speaker Series

Speaker: Dr Anuradha Rao, Consultant, Educator, Trainer
Founder, CyberCognizanz

Topic: Cybercrime and You: Staying Safe in a Smart Nation

President Siew Luen called on Rtn Francesco De Liva to introduce the Speaker, Dr Anuradha Rao, who is a Singapore-based educator, trainer, researcher and consultant whose work focuses on the interactions and intersections between new media and new information and communication technologies, and society, politics, public policy and ethics in Asia.

Dr Rao adopts an interdisciplinary approach, combining her academic and practical experience in the areas of communications and new media, political science, and cybersecurity.

Since 2009, Dr Rao has studied, taught and conducted research on the impacts of new media and new technologies on society, politics and security in Asia at higher education institutes in Singapore, including the National University of Singapore (NUS), Nanyang Technological University, Lasalle College of the Arts, and the Singapore Institute of Technology.



Speaker, Dr Anuradha Rao



Pres Siew Luen presents the Club's token of appreciation to Dr Rao

She has a PhD in Communications and New Media from NUS, and an MA in Political Science from Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

In her talk, Dr Rao noted that Singapore, being a Smart Nation was exposed to more technology and thus the necessity to stay safe from cybercrime. She noted that cybercrime is estimated to have cost the world US\$7 trillion in 2022! She spoke of the different scams and gave a breakdown of scam victim profiles.

Dr Rao presented a beginner's checklist for cyber-protection as follows:

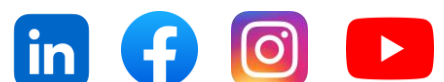
- 1) Stop, pause, breathe, think – before conducting any transactions.
- 2) Do not share personal data.
- 3) Hover and check links, QR codes, attachments.
- 4) Do a digital detox – balance is key, between online and the offline.

Director Rtn Vineet Iyengar warmly thanked Dr Rao for her enlightening talk as well as the insights gained from the Q&A session.

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Birthday Celebrants

RCS sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

T K Chew & Jessica Lim for 6 Dec
PP Tan Chin Ngap for 7 Dec
Weilong Chng & Rohan Vaswani for 10 Dec



Wedding Anniversary Celebrants

RCS sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants:

Eric & Lucia Lynge for 4 Dec
Sachin & Neha Kagliwal for 4 Dec



This Meeting

**6 December 2023
Annual General Meeting (AGM)
& TedX Talk**

Speakers: HM Uttam Kripalani & Matthew Ong (Co-founder of Learning Playground)

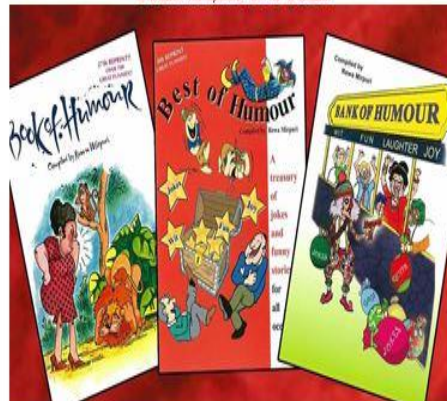
Topics: "Golf is a four-letter word" & "Stories children need and where to find them" respectively

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Next Meeting

13 December 2023

Speaker: Mr Benjamin Jeyaraj William, Secretary General, Singapore Red Cross

Topic: "Singapore Red Cross – Serving the Vulnerable in Singapore and Beyond"

Coming Rotary Events

December – Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

15 Dec – Christmas Celebration at Hon. Member Mohan & Kawita Vaswani's residence

January – Vocational Service Month

February – Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

23 Feb – World Understanding & Peace Day / Rotary's anniversary.

March – Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

7-10 Mar – District Training Assembly @ Johor Bahru

29 Mar – Swimmarathon

April – Environmental Month

18 Apr – The Entrepreneur of the Year Award (EYA) presentation

May – Youth Service Month

17-19 May – 33rd District Conference @ Kuching

25-29 May – Rotary International Convention, Singapore

27 May – Host Hospitality Night

June – Rotary Fellowships Month

22 Jun – Installation of the 90th President & Board of Directors

Register Early




INSTALLATION OF 90TH PRESIDENT & BOARD

JUNE
 Saturday 22nd at 6:30 pm
 2024

Capella Singapore, 1 The Knolls, Sentosa Island,
Singapore 098297

Dress Code
Black Tie (1930 Great Gatsby)

SCAN TO REGISTER AND PAY FOR 90TH INSTALLATION DINNER (22 JUNE 2024)
 UEN No. 961550037C

Early Bird \$198/pax <small>(Till Christmas Day)</small>		Regular Price \$238/pax
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This registration is only for Rotarians of the Rotary Club of Singapore or by invitation only.

To enjoy the early bird discount, please register before 24 December 2023 using the following link:
<https://forms.gle/qg8rSsJC1Ub5Evv49>

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The 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:

1. Have I spent some time in self-examination?
2. Have I spent quality time with my family?
3. Have I given my best to my work?
4. Have I given some time to someone near and far?

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

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