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8th YSC Meeting cum Meet our Interactors and Teacher Advisors

By: Rtn Jean Khoo, Satellite Club Member

The meeting was held on 22 February 2018 at the Metropolitan YMCA, hosted by PP Paliath “Mohan” Mohandas, PAG Philip Leong, Rotarians Paul Phua and Jessica Lim, and chaired by Rotarian Dr Hoh Sek Tien. Besides Rotarians, attendees included 5 Teacher Advisors and 16 Interactors from Anglo-Chinese School (Independent), Anderson Junior College, Catholic Junior College, Bukit Gombak Eagles, Global Indian East Coast and Raffles Junior College.

This meeting is part of YSC's efforts to engage Interactors and their Teacher Advisors and to strengthen communication between them and the Rotarians. It was a great evening of engagement and fellowship, with Rotarian James sharing on the application processes for Rotary Citation for Interact Clubs and PDG Dr Philbert Chin sharing on the competitions on D3310's Guide to Daily Living. The Presidential Citation Awards were also presented to the Interact Clubs by President Keith Harrison.



Rtn Dr Hoh sharing on Youth Service Programmes



Rtn James sharing on Rotary Citation processes



PDG Dr Philbert sharing on competitions on D3310's Guide to Daily Living

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President Keith and Interactors



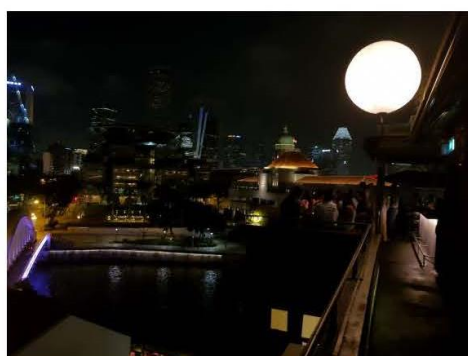
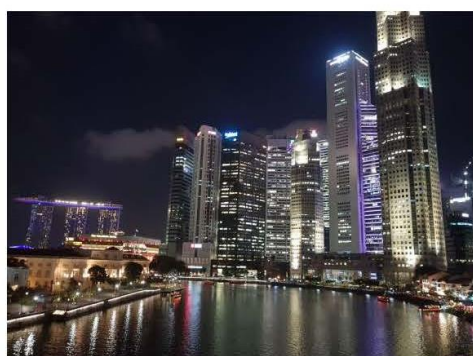
Rotarians and Teacher Advisors



Rotarians, Teacher Advisors and Interactors

Monthly Rotary Fellowship Evening – 27.2.18

Membership Director Raj Kumar organized the first Rotary casual fellowship evening at Southbridge, the rooftop bar in Singapore. Coupled with a relaxed atmosphere to boot, it was a perfect location for the Rotarians to interact, connect and bond together. Nearly 15 members participated in the Monthly Rotary Fellowship chill evening. “With the 360 view of Singapore’s picturesque skyline set before their eyes, the participants live it up with the discussion around the ideal of service above self and ‘thoughtfulness of others’”, says Rtn Raj Kumar, Membership Director. He look forward to hosting more such events in future to foster team bonding, to share ideas, make plans and catch up with friends that fuel the Rotarian’s passion to make a lasting change.



Last Week

Last Week – Report on the Wednesday Meeting – 14 March 2018

OPENING REMARKS

Upon taking the Chair, President Keith thanked Acting Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Hassan Moosa for the introduction and he also thanked Vice President James Lee for chairing last week's meeting. President Keith warmly thanked Speakers His Excellency (H E), Ambassador Mr Ngoun Sokveng and Commercial Attache Mr Kann Viseth from the Embassy of the Kingdom of Cambodia.

President Keith called on members to fill in the Rotary Club Survey forms as the information would be taken to the coming District Assembly (DISTAS) and would also assist PE Mark Wang and his Board for the Club's strategy in the coming Rotary year.

WELCOME

Duty of welcoming guests of members and visiting Rotarians fell to Rtn Dinesh Sharma:

Guests:

H E Mr Ngoun Sokveng

Mr Kann Viseth

Mr Toshi Kimura

Visiting Rotarian:

Harpal Singh Bajaj – Singapore Heartlands



Rtn Dinesh Sharma

TOAST & BANNER PRESENTATION



As there were no visiting Rotarians from overseas, Rtn Brigitte Holtschneider (right) called on members to join her in a toast to Rotary International



President Keith (right) presents a Club banner to Rtn Harpal Singh Bajaj from R C Singapore Heartlands

WELCOME

To report on one of the Club's activities last week, President Keith called on incoming International Service Director, Rtn Dr Chan Siew Luen to brief members on recent successful eye mission to Nepal in conjunction with the Lions Clubs, whereby 53 surgeries were performed. Rtn Siew Luen briefed members on the unusual partnership with the Lions and his visit with students to the epicentre of the Nepal earthquake along with the work conducted at a school for the visually impaired.

President Keith noted that the mission was a great initiative which actually saw someone regaining sight!



Rtn Dr Chan Siew Luen

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Last Week

MAJOR PROJECT FOR ROTARY YEAR 2017-2018

President Keith advised that the Major Project for the year was SOAR i.e. Sports Outreach and Regeneration for disadvantaged youths in Singapore. More details and adoption of the project, which is connected to the Club's FootballPlus programme, would take place at the next weekly meeting, followed by the Director of SOAR's foundation speaking at the Club's meeting of 28 March.

ROTARY GLOBAL SWIMARATHON – SINGAPORE

Rtn Hassan Moosa announced that the Swimarathon, which is in its 3rd year would be held as follows:

Date & Time: **Sunday, 29 April 2018 from 9.00am to 5.30pm**

Venue: **Sports Lifestyle Centre, Bukit Merah Central**

Rtn Hassan stated that the beneficiaries would be The Rotary Foundation's "End Polio Now" campaign and the Club's Major Project "SOAR" for disadvantaged youths in Singapore. He added that the Club would be partnering a crowdfunding platform "GIVE.Asia" to better spread the Swimarathon's awareness.



Rtn Hassan Moosa

Rtn Hassan advised that the Goals for the Swimarathon were to have 250 swimmers completing 4,000 laps in order to raise S\$40,000. He called on members' participation, adding that they need not swim and could follow Rtn Terry Lobaton's example from the last Swimarathon and walk in the pool. Rtn Hassan added that members could also form their teams such as last year's "Team Dreammakes", "Millennial Uncles" or even the "Topless Hunks"!

"GREY CAN STILL PLAY" – ICC SIGNATURE PROJECT

President Keith invited Youth Service Director Rtn Dr Hoh Sek Tien to brief members on the coming the Interact Coordinating Committee (ICC) signature project called "Grey Can Still Play" to be held on Saturday, 17 March 2018 from 9.30am to 5.30pm at Samtas Hall, MDIS Campus.

Rtn Sek Tien advised that the Interactors have organized a house cleaning session for the elderly, followed by a fun engagement with the beneficiaries at a lunch and carnival. He added that about 150-200 Interactors from more than 10 schools/Interact Clubs with 80 beneficiaries would be participating, and he called for members' support for this Interactors' project. Rtn Sek Tien advised that the Guest of Honour is Ms Ting Pei Ling, Member of Parliament for MacPherson, who would be at the event from 1.30 to 2.30pm.



Rtn Dr Hoh Sek Tien

WORLD SPEECH DAY 2018

President Keith highlighted that Thursday, 15 March 2018 would be World Speech Day and a Rotary Session will be held from 8.00 to 9.00pm at the Lee Kong Chian Auditorium at YMCA One Orchard. He added that a number of Rotarians will be speaking including our members Rtms Uttam Kripalani and Deblina Chatterjee.



Last Week

Speakers: His Excellency (H E) Ambassador Mr Ngoun Sokveng & Mr Kann Viseth, Commercial Attache, the Royal Embassy of Cambodia

Topic: “Cambodia Overview & Investment Opportunities”

President Keith called on Rtn Louis Lim to introduce both HE Ambassador Mr Ngoun Sokveng and Mr Kann Viseth. Prior to being Ambassador to Singapore in June 2017, Ambassador Sokveng was the Director, Asia 1 Department from 2015-2016, overseeing bilateral co-operation with Southeast Asian countries and sub-regional co-operation, MFAIC. He graduated from the Australian National University, Canberra, Australia with a Master in Public Policy (Distinction) from 2005-2006.



Whilst, Mr Kann Viseth is the Commercial Attaché of the Royal Embassy of Cambodia since September 2016. From February 2015 to July 2016, he was Chief of Africa Bureau, Department of Europe, Middle East and Africa, the Ministry of Commerce.

Speaking first was Mr Viseth who highlighted Cambodia’s economic development as well as the investment environment and opportunities in the country. He gave various reasons to invest in Cambodia, citing the government’s incentives and guarantees to investors. He further described the country’s Special Economic Zones and briefed members on Cambodia’s Industrial Development Policy from 2015-2025 and the processes being put in place for moving forward.

Speaker, HE Ambassador Mr Ngoun Sokveng

Next, Ambassador Sokveng gave an overview of Cambodia, starting with investment by sector, highlighting priority industrial sectors such as the Agro-industrial production for export and domestic markets. He gave key reasons to invest in Cambodia, particularly in areas of property, tourism and agriculture. (Copies of Ambassador Sokveng’s and Mr Viseth’s presentations are available from the Secretariat.)



Speaker, Mr Kann Viseth

President Keith invited PP J K Ong to extend the Club’s vote of thanks to both Speakers, Ambassador Sokveng and Mr Viseth. PP J K advised that he has a company in Cambodia and he first noticed the business opportunities there from his Rotary project visits. He added that the business started with only 5 persons, and after 10 years, the company now employs 25 persons and it has been a good investment opportunity.



From left: Pres Keith, Mr Viseth, Ambassador Sokveng & PP JK



Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

Mamta Shahani

Anant Jain

Anniversary Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week:

Sunny Loh & Lay See
PE Mark & Tracey Wang
MM Patel & Lily
Rasik & Gayatri Ahuja

Youth Service Meeting

Youth Service Committee Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, 22 March

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: YWCA Singapore, Fort Canning Lodge, 6 Fort Canning Road, S179494

Hosts: PPs J K Ong, Jimmy Ooi & Rtn Dr Devakumar Nair

This Meeting

21 March 2018

Reception Desk duty: PP Perlita Tiro, IPP Garry Taylor
Sunshine Box: PP J K Ong, Mamta Shahani

Speaker: Dr Chua Ai Lin, Executive Director, Singapore Heritage Society

Topic: "Giving a future to our past: why Singapore heritage matters"

Community Service Meeting

Community Service Committee Meeting will be held as follows:

Date: Thursday, 5 April

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: To be advised

Hosts: To be advised



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Next Meeting

28 March 2018

Reception Desk duty: PE Mark Wang, Manish Tibrewal
Sunshine Box: PPs Alan Tan, Dr Yap Lip Kee

Speaker: To be advised

Topic: To be advised

Coming Rotary Events

March

Water and Sanitation Month

31 Mar – Collective Tree-planting

April

Maternal and Child Health Month

Minority Vocational School Mission Visit
7 Apr – Rotary Walk for The Rotary Foundation

15 Apr – Rotary Charity Run – Kuching

29 Apr – Swimathon in aid of EndPolio and the Major Project

May

Youth Service Month

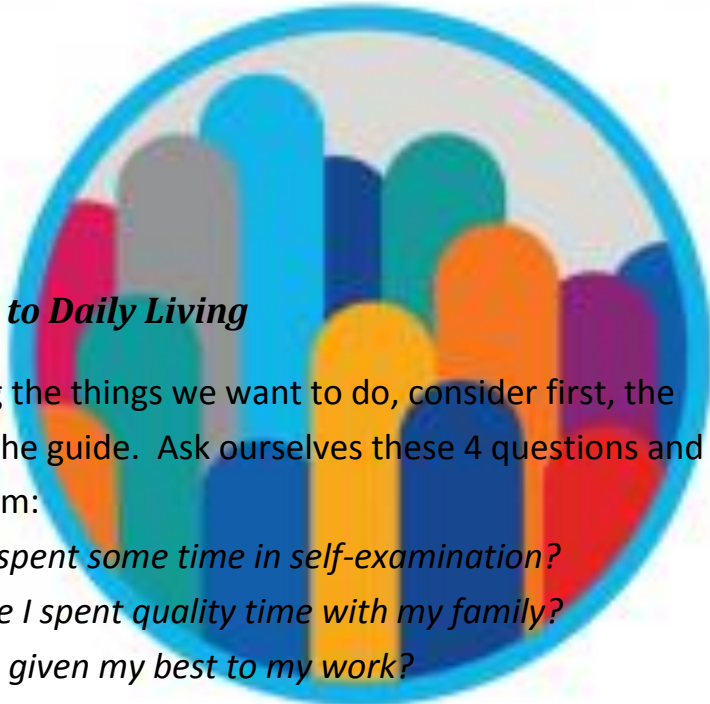
11-13 May – District Conference
27-28 May – RC Osaka Semba's 30th anniversary celebrations

June

Rotary Fellowship Month

24-27 June – R I Convention, Toronto, Canada





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.

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?

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