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NOVEMBER IS

ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH



"Giving is living. What is important is how much of yourself you put into the giving. That is what makes the living sublime."

Past RI President 1991-92 Rajendra K. Saboo



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Presidential Message

November 2018



Barry Rassin
R I President 2018-19

One early June, more than 30 years ago, I had a business trip scheduled to Las Vegas. I had been a Rotarian for about six years, and I thought of myself as an active member: I attended every meeting, I'd served as club secretary, I knew everyone in my club. But for me, Rotary was very much a community organization. It connected me to Nassau and perhaps even to the Bahamas — but no farther.

I had never given much thought to Rotary beyond the Bahamas, and it had never crossed my mind to travel to a Rotary convention. But that spring, I realized that my trip to Las Vegas would coincide with the Rotary International Convention and thought, why not? I sent in my registration and paid my fees, never suspecting that the experience would change my life.

When I walked through the doors of that convention, I was stunned. It was one thing to know that I was part of a global organization with over a million members around the world. It was something else altogether to stand there in the middle of it. I went to every general session, looked in at every booth at the House of Friendship, and learned about projects that I hadn't even known you could do in Rotary. That convention didn't just open my eyes. It opened my mind. It inspired me to completely change the way I saw Rotary, what Rotary could do for me, and what I could do through Rotary. That inspiration has stayed with me ever since — and is renewed every year, at every Rotary convention.

In June 2019, Rotarians from all over the world will converge in Hamburg to Capture the Moment at the 110th Rotary International Convention. Many, like me, will have been coming to conventions for years; many others will be coming for the first time. Whether they're looking to connect with old friends, to find inspiration for a new Rotary year, or simply to see what Rotary is all about, each of them will find their own moment in Hamburg.

Hamburg is a port city that connects Germany to the world and that has been an economic and cultural hub for centuries. It's a wonderful place to visit — to stroll the shores of the city's lake, take a boat trip on the Elbe River, dine out, hear great music, and explore fascinating museums. It's also the ideal place to kick off a European vacation.

If you're a regular convention goer, you absolutely won't want to miss out on the friendship and inspiration you'll find in Hamburg. And if you've never been to a convention, please consider this my personal invitation. Register at riconvention.org by 15 December for the best rate — and let this convention *Be the Inspiration* for your Rotary journey.



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Club's Photo Album...

Youth Service Committee (YSC) Probationer Befriender Project



YSC Director Rtn Dr Hoh Sek Tien (extreme left) at the project session held on 14 November 2018. The project was initiated by PP Philip Leong.

Heartiest Congratulations to proud Grandpa, Rtn Bertrand De Mil



Introducing baby Raphael De Mil, born on 21 November 2018





2018 DISTRICT ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR SINGAPORE

"We should not live for ourselves alone, but for the joy in doing good for others."
— Arch C. Klumph

NUSS Suntec City Guild House
Tower 5 Office Lobby Level 2
8 December 2018

Rotary Club of Garden City
Host Club

SEMINAR PROGRAM

PE Sean Yeo RC Garden City Master of Ceremonies

12:00-13:00	LUNCH REGISTRATION
13:00-13:05	President Adrian Jefferson Tan RC Garden City Welcome Address
13:05-13:10	DG Henry Tan Opening Address
13:10-13:40	PDG Aziz Memon <i>Rotary Zone 6B Endowment/Major Gifts Adviser (EMGA)</i> Keynote Address: The Art of Giving
13:40-14:00	PDG Datuk Hj. Zainie Abdul Aucasa <i>District Rotary Foundation Chair 2016-19</i> Our Foundation and Its Activities in Rotary District 3310
14:00-14:30	Hazel Seow <i>Philanthropy Adviser (East Asia), The Rotary Foundation</i> Foundation Funding & Fundraising
14:30-14:50	PDG Philip Chong <i>Rotary Zone 6B Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator</i> Stewardship: The Responsible Management of Rotary Foundation Funds
14:50-15:15	COFFEE BREAK GROUP PHOTOGRAPH
15:15-15:35	DGN Rajamohan Munisamy <i>District Strategic Planning Committee Chair</i> My Experiences with Global Grants
15:35-15:55	PDG Michael Yee <i>District Rotary Foundation Chair 2019-22</i> Environmentally Sustainable & Socially Inclusive Development
15:55-17:20	FORUM ON GLOBAL GRANTS
15:55-16:00	ARC Joanne Kam <i>Session Chair</i> Opening Remarks
16:00-17:20	<i>Group Discussion</i> 1. How can clubs improve their Global Grant applications? 2. What can the district do to help clubs prepare for Global Grants? 3. How do the six areas of focus help fulfill the sustainability component? 4. Why are some Global Grant applications rejected? 5. What are the references and sources of help? <i>Panelists</i> PDG Aziz Memon, EMGA PDG Michael Yee DGN Rajamohan Munisamy Hazel Seow
17:20-17:25	AG Matthew Yong Closing Remarks
17:25-17:30	IPP Sean Tay RC Garden City Vote of Thanks



Last Week

Last Week – Report on Wednesday Evening Meeting – 21 November 2018

OPENING REMARKS

Sergeant-at-Arms Rtn Deblina Chatterjee opened the meeting and invited President Mark to take the Chair. President Mark added that whilst he was unable to attend last week's meeting, he nevertheless was able to do two make-ups! He reminded members that the Club would hold evening meetings for the 1st and 3rd weeks of each month.

President Mark warmly welcomed members and Speakers, Mr Sunil Chugani and our own, Rtn Uttam Kripalani to the 5th evening meeting and the 19th for the year. He thanked Vice President Rajkumar "Raj" P Suppiah for chairing last week's meeting in his absence. He also recognised the presence of District officer, PDG Chris Chen from Rotary Club of Queenstown.

WELCOME

Duty of welcoming guests of members and visiting Rotarians fell to Rtn Suresh Hathiramani:

Guests:

Mrs Laxmi Kripalani (wife of Rtn Uttam)
Mrs Sonia Chugani (wife of Mr Chugani)
Ms Fiona English
Ms Ylva Torne
Ms Maria Xavier
Dr Ganesh Ramalingam

Visiting Rotarians:

PDG Chris Chen – Queenstown
President Adrian Jefferson – Garden City
Richard Ong & Stephanie Song – E-Club of 3310
Binod Dhakal & Bijay Ranabha – Baneshwor, Nepal
Michael English – Ampthill & District, UK
Anders Eriksson – Norrtälje, Sweden
Jim Hollingsworth – Fox Chapel Area, USA



Rtn Suresh

TOAST

Toastmaster, PP Perlita Tiro was pleased to raise a toast to Rotary Club of Fox Chapel Area, located in Pittsburgh, USA. She advised that the club was formed in 1970 and has the largest membership of 100 Rotarians in Pittsburgh.

PP Perlita invited Rtn Jim Hollingsworth, who is in Singapore for a few months to accompany his wife, who is on assignment here. Rtn Jim advised that he was retired and only became a Rotarian in May this year. He added that his club was very active in the PolioPlus programme, clean water projects as well as after care services to schoolchildren in the community.



*From right: President Mark, PP Perlita
& Rtn Jim Hollingsworth*



Last Week

EXCHANGE OF BANNERS



From right: President Mark & Rtn Jim Hollingsworth



From right: President Mark, Rtn Michael English and his daughter, Fiona



From right: President Mark, Rtn Anders Eriksson & his sister Ms Ylva Torne



From right: President Mark, Rtns Binod Dhakal & Bijay Ranabhat. Pres. Mark was presented with a Nepalese cap, which he gamely wore throughout the meeting!



Photos from left: President Mark with fellow Presidents Adrian Jefferson & Richard Ong



CITATIONS RECEIVED AT THE PAN BORNEO MEET

President Mark advised that at the Pan Borneo Meet held from 2 to 4 November, he received several Citations on behalf of the Club. Most importantly was the R I Presidential Citation for last Rotary Year 2017-18, he then called on IPP Keith Harrison to accept this Citation as well as the Certificate of Appreciation received from IPDG Datuk Lee Chuen Wan.

President Mark added that he had also collected the R I Presidential Citations for the Rotaract Club of Singapore and the Raffles Institution Interact Club, which he handed over at the earlier Interact Coordinating Committee meeting held prior to the Club's evening meeting. He advised that PDG Dr Philbert Chin and PP Dr Shahul Hameed were also bestowed with Certificates of Appreciations from IPDG Datuk Lee Chuen Wan. President Mark highlighted that Rtn Dr Irina Francken was also recognised for her efforts in arranging for the Yayasan Prima Unggul performance at the Pan Borneo Meet.



President Mark presents Citation/Certificate to the newly moustached IPP Keith

VOTING IN RI DISTRICT 3310 FOR DISTRICT GOVERNOR (2021-22)

President Mark advised that the Club received a Ballot to vote for the District Governor for Rotary year 2021-2022. He added that there were two candidates:

1. Rtn Dolly Yeap Siew Keat from Rotary Club of Kulai (District Nominating Committee Candidate)
2. Rtn Krishna Saravanan from Rotary Club of Muar

President Mark further advised that he would seek the advice and preferences of the Club's Past Presidents before the Club casts its vote.

BRIEFING OF NEW RULE OF COLLECTION OF WEEKLY MEETING EXPENSES IN ADVANCE

President Mark informed members of the proposal to collect in advance the meeting expenses i.e. half of the meeting expenses for the whole year. He added that also being reviewed was the choice of meeting venue in order to improve the Club meeting experience. More information will be circulated to members shortly.

A decision on this issue will be voted upon at the Club's Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 19 December evening meeting at The Tanglin Club.

UPCOMING EVENTS

President Mark reminded members of the following Club and District Events:

- Sister Club, Rotary Club of Taipei's Charter Celebrations – 3 December
- District Rotary Foundation Seminar – 8 December
- Mission to India – 14 to 17 December
- Annual General Meeting – 19 December – the next year's Board and President Elect will be revealed
- Christmas Fellowship – 20 December
- Visit to Sister Club, R C Rizal West and RC Subic Pearl in Philippines – 15 to 18 March 2019
- Visit to Minority Tribes' Schools in Yunnan, China – 28 March to 7 April
- Sister Club, Rotary Club of Manila 100th Year Anniversary Celebration – 21 & 22 June

Last Week

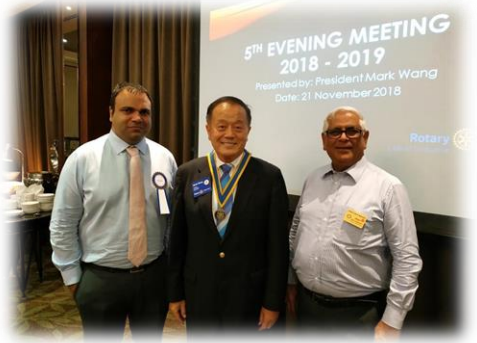
Speaker: Rotarian Uttam Kripalani & Mr Sunil Chugani
Chairman & Founder and CEO respectively, Galaxy Insurance Consultants Pte Ltd

Topic: “Medical Health Insurance”



Rtn Jasbir with Pres Mark

To introduce the Speakers, President Mark called upon Rtn Jasbir Koh, who noted that Rtn Uttam has 57 yrs of experience in the Insurance Industry. He is Deputy Chairman of the Singapore International Chamber of Commerce and a founding member of the Crohn's and Colitis Society of Singapore. He is an active Club member serving both the Board and various Committees. Rtn Uttam has an enviable 100% record of attendance for more than 35 years in the Club and for 3 years with the Cochin West club.



Pres Mark flanked by Rtn Uttam (right) and Mr Sunil Chugani

Mr Sunil Chugani joined Galaxy in 2006 and became the CEO in 2017, when the company joined the Steadfast Group of Australia, and is a Member of the Insurance and Financial Practitioners Association of Singapore. His main thrust is in expanding the business through enhanced service offerings and key international partnerships. He has a deep knowledge of a range of insurance markets, products and services.



From left: IPP Keith, Mr Chugani, Pres Mark & Rtn Uttam

Starting the talk, Rtn Uttam spoke of Singapore's medical insurance scenario, which whilst satisfactory, he felt needed to be skewed more towards providing for many, particularly those in the “sandwich class” who were unable to afford the excellent facilities which were available. He noted that there were examples of non-availability of cover for instance for those with mental illnesses, however this was being remedied but the improvement was miniscule.

Next, Mr Chugani gave an extensive overview of Singapore's challenges with its aging populations and increase in health care costs. He highlighted some of the new initiatives and gave a comprehensive review of the various Government offerings. Mr Chugani emphasized the ongoing challenges as healthcare costs would continue to rise, and gave key advice on insurance

concerns. Both, Rtn Uttam and Mr Chugani graciously answered members' questions based on the presentation made. (A copy of Mr Chugani's presentation is available from the Secretariat.)

To extend the Club's vote of thanks, President Mark called upon IPP Keith Harrison who warmly thanked Rtn Uttam and Mr Chugani for a most informative presentation.

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Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

Shamin Vaswani
Robert Schlesinger
Carlo Van Den Akker
Jayant Gadgil

This Meeting

28 November 2018

Reception Desk duty: PP Mansoor Hassanbhai & Horst Hagemann

Sunshine Box: PP Tapan Rao & Ronald Wong

Speaker: Dr Lee Guo Rui,
CEO/Founder, K2 Holdings Pte Ltd /
K2 Tests / K2 Medical

Topic: "Gastric cancer & new
revolutionary blood test"

Next Meeting

**Evening Meeting
5 December 2018**

Reception Desk duty: Deepu Joseph
& Suresh Keerthi

Sunshine Box: PP Paliath "Mohan"
Mohandas & See Mee Lee

Speaker: Dr Anne Marie Gutierrez,
Consultant & Part-time Lecturer

Topic: "Appearance Versus Reality"

Anniversary Celebrants

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

Jayant & Smita Gadgil
Suresh & Anita Hathiramani
Vivek & Simmi Chhabra

Service Committee Meetings

**Service Committee
Meetings are
cancelled for
December in view of
the Christmas
Fellowship to be held
on 20 December.**

Coming Rotary Events

December

Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

3 December – RC Taipei's Charter Celebrations

14-17 December – Mission to India

14-16 December – District Rotaract Conference at Oasis Bay Resort,
Johor

19 December – Annual General Meeting

20 December – Christmas Fellowship

January

Vocational Service Month

31 January – 3rd Club Assembly

February

Peace and Conflict Prevention / Resolution Month

23 February – World Understanding and Peace Day

March

Water and Sanitation Month

15-18 March – Visit to sister club, RC Rizal West (Charter Night) and RC
Subic Pearl, Philippines

21-24 March – PETS and District Training Assembly, KSL Hotel & Resort,
Johor Bahru, Malaysia

28 March-7 April – Visit to Minority Tribes' Schools in Yunnan, China

April

Maternal and Child Health Month

26-28 April – District Conference, Sunway Lagoon, Subang Jaya,
Selangor, Malaysia





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:

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.

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