



Rotary crossroads

e-bulletin published by Rotary Club of Singapore

Proud of our Heritage, Committed to our Future

Chartered 6th June 1930

10 December 2018

Volume 55 Issue No. 20

Lifetime Achievement Award Winner for Best Bulletin in District 3310



Sister Club, Rotary Club of Taipei's 70th Charter Celebrations

1 IN FOCUS

Photo Album of Rotary
Club of Taipei's 70th
Charter Celebrations

6 LAST WEEK

Report of Wed 5 Dec
Evening Meeting

9 MARK YOUR DIARY

What's ahead? Don't miss
the forthcoming events and
Birthday / Anniversary
celebrants and more...

In Focus

Photo Album of Rotary Club of Taipei's 70th Charter Celebrations – 3.12.18



President Mark with RC Taipei's President Jason Chu (left) after the signing of sister club agreements



Exchange of gifts and presentation of sister club agreements received by President Mark & Hon Treasurer Horst Hagemann (extreme right)

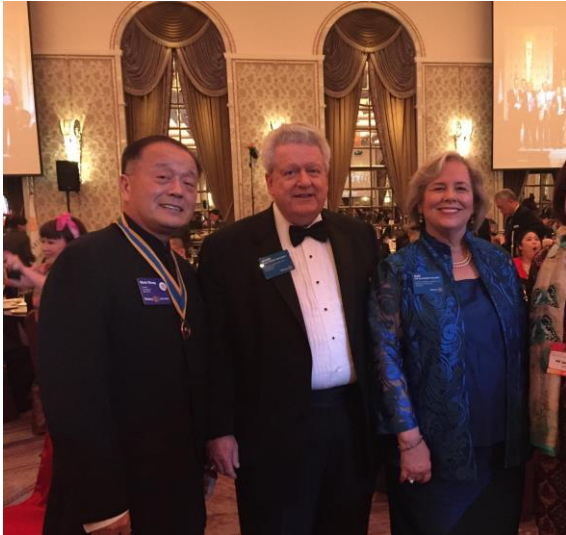


Meeting with Rotarians from Rotary Club of Bangkok (left) and Sister Club, Rotary Club of Taichung Tatong

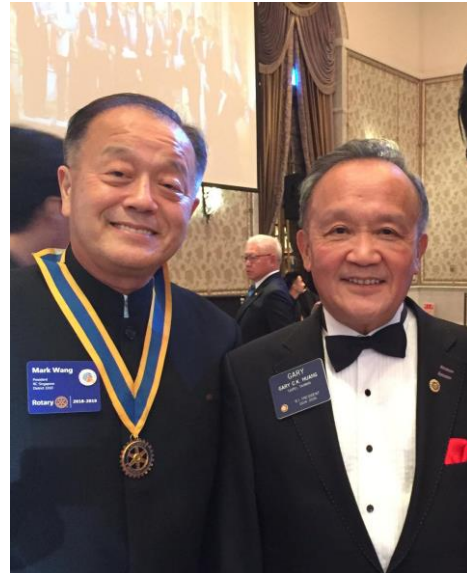


In Focus

Photo Album of Rotary Club of Taipei's 70th Charter Celebrations – 3.12.18



President Mark with Rotary International (RI) President Elect Mark Maloney & Mrs Maloney



President Mark with Past Rotary International President Gary Huang, Guest of Honor and member of R C Taipei



President Mark with friend from R C of Shanghai, PP Frank Yih



Reunion with Board Director, Jun Hallera from sister club, R C Manila



The two Presidents – Mark & Jason (RC Taipei)

Letter from Mrs Gilberte King...

Following letter from Mrs Gilberte King, widow of our deceased member Rtn Michael King, was received by PP Peter Tan on 5 December 2018, and reproduced for members' information.

20 Scrivener Square Suite 103
Toronto, Ontario
Canada M4W3X9

13TH November 2018

Dear Peter

Thank you for your letter sent on behalf of President Mark Wang and members of the Rotary Club of Singapore and please forgive me for the delay in replying.

Our family very much appreciates your condolences and especially the one minute's silence which you observed in memory of Michael.

It has been a traumatic and devastating time for me and for our children. Michael has been having regular yearly check-ups and the diagnosis of Pancreatic Cancer was completely unexpected even by our G.P. here, especially the short span of time before the cancer killed him. I can't help wondering if he would have fared better in Singapore. The hospital and treatment here, unfortunately, was not up to standard.

I am returning to Singapore at the end of December, 2018.

Once again sincere thanks for your thoughts.

Warm regards



Book of Humour Christmas Promotion

Offer Closes on 31 December 2018

**JOKES
THAT WILL MAKE
YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS
LAUGH AND LAUGH.
(And that's no joke)**



Dear Fellow Rotarians

Bring smiles and laughter to your family, friends and business associates this Christmas and support a worthy cause... for a cost of a greeting card, you could present a gift - ***Book of Humour / Best of Humour / Bank of Humour!***

For this Holiday Season, a special one-time offer is extended to all Rotarians at a promotional rate of **S\$6.00 per copy** (normal price is \$10.00) subject to a minimum order of 10 copies, for any of the three abovementioned books. The offer of **S\$15.00 for a set of 3 titles** is subject to minimum order of 10 sets at this price.

Free Hot Stamping for minimum 100 copies or more.

Don't wait! Offer ends on 31 December 2018. Place your orders now with Vice President Rajkumar P Suppiah at email raj@ipcgroup.com.sg or Rtn. Rewa Mirpuri at email rewamirpuri@gmail.com

Yours in Rotary
Rtn. Rewa Mirpuri
Rotary Club of Singapore



4 | Crossroads



ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE
&
RI DISTRICT 3490 TAIWAN



JOINT FELLOWSHIP &
CHRISTMAS PARTY 2018

DATE OF EVENT
20th Dec 2018

VENUE
Flower Field Hall , Gardens ByThe Bay
18 Marina Gardens Dr , Singapore 018953

TIME
7pm onwards

\$80 Per Person (Set Menu)

Nestled within the Flower Dome, Flower Field Hall engages guests with a sensory experience. Rotary Club members will have a memorable time marvelling at the uniqueness of Rotary Christmas event held here. Overlooking the changing Flower Field display on one side, and a spectacular view of the Marina Bay skyline on the other, this indoor space captivates with its picturesque backdrop of Christmas Winter decorations. Come and experience fulfilled fellowship and Christmas Party

DEADLINE FOR BOOKING
13th Dec 2018

For booking, please contact
CONNIE HO SECRETARY
ROTARY CLUB OF SINGAPORE

Kimho_my@hotmail.com
Alternatively
Text Message or WhatsApp 91158194



Last Week

Last Week – Report on Wednesday Evening Meeting – 5 December 2018

OPENING REMARKS

Acting Sergeant-at-Arms, Rtn Stuart Pearce called the meeting to order and handed the Chair to Honorary Treasurer Horst Hagemann, who welcomed members to the 21st and 6th evening Club meeting. Rtn Horst advised that President Mark sends his apologies for his absence. He added that President was on his vacation in Spain, but prior to that they both attended Sister Club, Rotary Club of Taipei's 70th Charter celebrations held on 3 December. (Photographs of this visit were highlighted to members.)

Rtn Horst also welcomed Speaker Dr Anne Marie Gutierrez whom he advised would be inducted as a member later in the meeting.



Rtns Stuart (left) & Horst

WELCOME

Welcoming guests of members and visiting Rotarians fell to Honorary Secretary Connie Ho:

Guests:

Dr Rachael Yap (wife of PP Lip Kee)

Ms Sissi Goh

Mr Erwan Barre

Dr Ganesh Ramalingam

Visiting Rotarian:

Jim Hollingsworth – Fox Chapel, USA



Rtn Connie

TOAST

Toastmaster Rtn Ivan Lew, called upon members to join him in raising a toast to the Rotary Club of Fox Chapel coupled with the toast to Rotary International.

Rtn Ivan noted that even though, Rtn Jim Hollingsworth had spoken to the Club, two weeks earlier, he nevertheless invited visiting Rotarian Jim Hollingsworth to say a few words. Rtn Jim took the opportunity to thank PP Perlita Tiro for kindly taking him and his wife on a tour to Chinatown. He also advised that his club had just finished a tree-planting project and was involved in the PolioPlus programme.



From right: Rtn Ivan Lew & Rtn Jim Hollingsworth

Last Week

INDUCTION OF MEMBER

Rtn Horst had the pleasant task of inducting a new member to the Club. He called upon PDG Dr Philbert Chin to introduce his candidate, none other than the guest speaker, Dr Anne Marie Gutierrez. PDG Philbert added that he was pleased to introduce another lady member to the Club.

He advised that Rtn Anne Marie first joined the Rotary Club of Pandan Valley and later relocated. PDG Philbert was pleased that she decided to join the Club upon her return to Singapore. He advised that Rtn Anne Marie was already involved with Rotary as a management member of the social enterprise of the Rotary Learning Institute.



From right: Newly inducted Rtn Dr Anne Marie Gutierrez, PDG Dr Philbert Chin & Rtn Horst

Rtn Anne Marie's classification is "Counselling" and she was recommended to join the Vocational Service Committee.

PROPOSAL: UPFRONT COLLECTION FOR WEEKLY MEETING COSTS

Rtn Horst reminded members of the proposal to collect in advance for meeting costs and there were on-going discussions and refinements to the proposal. Information on the proposal was circulated to members on 26 November 2018. 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

Rtn Horst highlighted the following Club and District Events:

- District Rotary Foundation Seminar – 8 December
- Mission to India – 14 to 17 December
- Annual General Meeting – 19 December – Adoption of next year's Board and President Elect
- Christmas Fellowship – 20 December
- Visit to Sister Club, R C Rizal West and RC Subic Pearl in Philippines – 15 to 18 March 2019
- PETS & District Training Assembly – 21 to 24 March at KSL Hotel & Resort, Johor Bahru
- Visit to Minority Tribes' Schools in Yunnan, China – 28 March to 7 April
- 28th District 3310 Conference – 26 to 28 April at G-Hotel Gurney, Penang
- Rotary International Convention – 1 to 5 June in Hamburg, Germany
- Sister Club, Rotary Club of Manila 100th Year Anniversary Celebration – 21 & 22 June



Last Week

Speaker: **Dr Anne Marie Gutierrez**
Consultant and Part-time Lecturer

Topic: **“Appearance Versus Reality”**



Rtn Jasbir Koh

Rtn Horst invited Rtn Jasbir Koh to introduce the speaker, newly inducted Dr Anne Marie Gutierrez. Tongue-in-cheek, Rtn Jasbir forewarned members that Rtn Anne Marie studies people, and she knows all about appearance versus reality. She advised that Anne Marie is a certified behavioural consultant; part-time lecturer at the National Institute of Education in the Department of

Psychological Studies. She also lectured at Curtin University and the Nanyang Polytechnic. Rtn Anne Marie was formerly a broadcast journalist, freelance writer, trainer and travelled widely and even lectured in different multi-national organisations in Hong Kong, Canada and Singapore. Rtn Anne Marie holds a Doctorate in Business, a Master’s Degree in Social Work and Psychology and a Bachelor’s degree in English Literature and Political Science, which Rtn Jasbir noted were the same courses, she took during her university days not that long ago!



From left: PP Perlita, Rtns Anne Marie & Jasbir



From left: Rtn Anne Marie, PP Perlita & Rtn Horst

Rtn Anne Marie’s enlightening presentation highlighted further differences between males and females, particularly in communication styles. She showed examples of advertisements and techniques used to entice consumers. In an engaging manner, Rtn Anne Marie gave some handy pointers and examples on how to differentiate what is false and what is real as well as good advice on positive language.

(A copy of Rtn Anne Marie’s presentation is available from the Secretariat.)

The Club’s vote of thanks for Rtn Anne Marie’s fascinating talk was extended by PP Perlita Tiro, who noted that there were a “few digs” on men, however, she noted that the men in Rotary were exceptional!



Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends Birthday greetings to celebrants this week:

Hon Member PP Koh Choon Hui
Hon Member PP Bhagwan Melwani
PPs Mansoor Hassanbhai & Garry Taylor
Aarti Wadhwa
Sanjeev Kumar Shah

This Meeting

12 December 2018

Reception Desk duty: Deepu Joseph & Alex Lega

Sunshine Box: PP Peter Tan & Dr Chan Siew Luen

Speaker: Her Excellency Ms Margriet Vonno, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

Topic: "Singapore and the Netherlands, old friends and young innovators"

Next Meeting

**Annual General Meeting & 7th Evening Meeting
19 December 2018**

Reception Desk duty: Dr Omkar Shrestha, PP Perlita Tiro

Sunshine Box: Jeff Rajeck, Ronald Wong

Speaker: Reverend Melvin Huang

Topic: "Serving God and Humanity: CLASS ACTS"

Anniversary Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week:

Rewa & Geeta Mirpuri
PP Sajjad & Ruby Akhtar

Coming Rotary Events

December

Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

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, G-Hotel Gurney, Penang, Malaysia

Service Committee Meetings

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





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.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2018/2019

President	Mark Wang
Immediate Past President	Keith Harrison
President Elect	Deepak Nagrani
Vice President (Public Relations)	Hassan Moosa
Vice President (Membership)	Rajkumar Perumal Suppiah
Hon. Secretary (Administration)	Connie Ho
Hon. Treasurer (Finance)	Horst Hagemann
<i>Directors</i>	
Chair, Community Service	Dr Rupesh Agrawal
Chair, Vocational Service	Ronil Sujan
Chair, International Service	Dr Chan Siew Luen
Chair, New Generations Service	Dr Hoh Sek Tien
Director (Club Rotary Foundation)	Manish Tibrewal

