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## BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

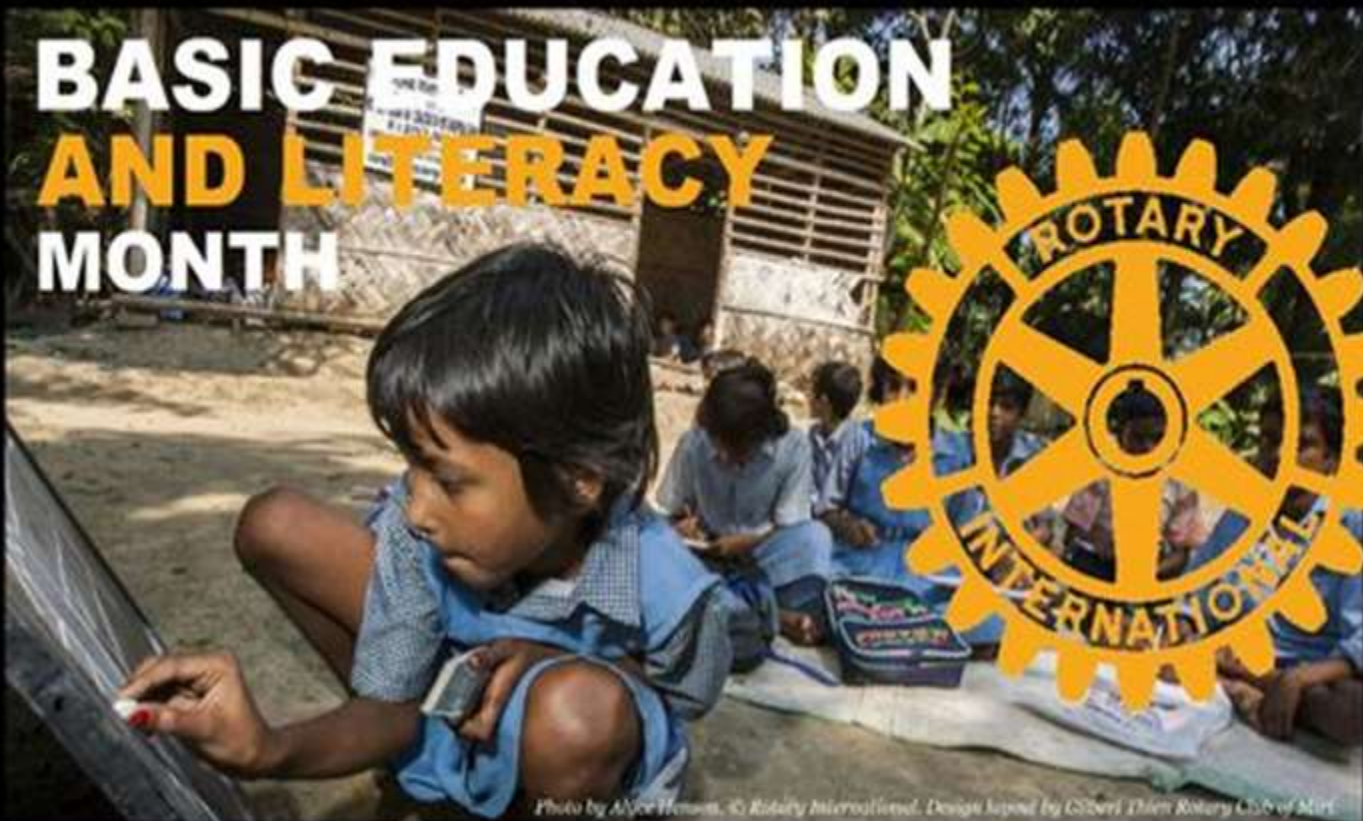


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*"Educate a boy, and you educate an individual. Educate a girl, and you educate a community."*

*Adelaide Hoodless*

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**TAKE ACTION:** Join a Project

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## Presidential message

September 2019



**Mark Daniel Maloney**  
**President 2019-20**

Here in the United States, another summer is winding down. And for the Maloney family, every summer ends with a return to my hometown of Ridgway, Illinois, for the annual Popcorn Day festival, where I am honoured to serve as the “Popcorn King,” the master of ceremonies for the day’s events.

Regardless of the season, every family has its own traditions. I would like to suggest a new one for yours: Find an opportunity to introduce your family to Rotary. One of my family’s traditions is to take our daughters and grandsons to the Rotary International Convention. The 2020 convention in Honolulu will be a wonderful way to introduce your children and grandchildren to the internationality of Rotary. We are planning many family-oriented events for everyone to enjoy.

Any time is a fabulous time to bring family members on a Rotary service project or to a fundraising event. But perhaps you have not seen many family-friendly events at your club. That is precisely why one of my top priorities this year is to make most Rotary events welcoming to family members.

We must foster a culture where Rotary does not compete with family, but complements it. We should never expect our members to choose between the two. That means being realistic in our expectations, considerate in our scheduling, and welcoming of children at Rotary events on every level.

Often, the young professionals that Rotary needs to attract in order to remain a dynamic 21st-century service organization are the very people who have the greatest family responsibilities. We must not keep these prospective young members away from their families by holding events on evenings and weekends at which their children are not welcome.

For too long, we have closed the doors of many Rotary events to children and sometimes even spouses. What wasted opportunities these are! Every chance we have to pass on the gift of Rotary to young people is one we must take if we are going to grow Rotary and ensure that the next generation is fully engaged in our mission.

So let us open our doors and do it in a fun way, with opportunities that make our children and grandchildren want to learn more about Interact, Rotaract, and Rotary membership. Start small if you must — perhaps by holding some of your meetings at more family-friendly times — but think about how you can continue these kinds of events for years to come.

Bringing children to Rotary events is not just fun; it also exposes them to the world! Make this a memorable year for your family — and an unforgettable year for the ever-expanding family of Rotary as *Rotary Connects the World*.

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# Last Week

## Last Week – Report on the Meeting – Wednesday 18 September 2019

### OPENING REMARKS

President Deepak Nagrani was invited to take the Chair by Acting Sergeant-at-Arms, PE Dinesh Sharma.

### WELCOME

Duty of welcoming guests of members and visiting Rotarians fell to Director Rtn James Lee:

#### Guests:

1<sup>st</sup> Lady Bianca Nagrani, Mrs Rachael Yap, Mrs Rachel Harrison, Mrs Lily Patel, Mrs Rekha Sharma, Mr Miha Hribernik, Mr Ujjal Nandi

#### Visiting Rotarians:

VP/PP Vicking Soo & Mitul – E-Club of 3310

PP Lee Oi Cheng – Sentosa

PP Imticij A. Khan – Dhaka South, Bangladesh

PP Frank Pao – Kowloon, Hong Kong

Rostom Nader – Fiesole, Italy

Marie-Christine Nibagwire – Paddington, England

Mel Thomas – Burton, England



*Rtn James welcoming guests & visiting Rotarians as President Deepak looks on*

### TOAST & BANNER PRESENTATION



*From left: President Deepak, Rtn Mel Thomas & Rtn Varun Gulati who raised a toast to RC Burton & RI*



*President Deepak receives a book on the history of Rotary Club of Burton from Rtn Mel Thomas (left photo). In return, President Deepak hands a Club banner to Rtn Mel (right)*



*Presentation of banners to Rotary Club of Fiesole (left) & Dhaka South (right)*





## DONATION TO YAYASAN BHAKTI LUHUR ORPHANAGE

President Deepak advised that following the Club's visit to the Bhakti Luhur Orphanage in Malang, the delegation members made a donation to the orphanage of about S\$5,000. He thanked members for their generosity, particularly PP Mansoor Hassanbhai who gave a substantial donation.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS – 9 October 2019

Members were requested by President Deepak to mark **"9 October 2019"** in their calendars as that date marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of the 85<sup>th</sup> President and Board. He advised that a special programme will be organised and called on members to attend the 9 October weekly meeting.

## RIVER SAFARI OUTING FOR THE SOCIETY FOR THE AGED SICK

President Deepak reminded members of the Community Service event to be held on Saturday, 21 September, to bring 15 residents from the Society for the Aged Sick to the River Safari. He added that about 19 Rotarians, Interactors and Rotaractors would participate and more volunteers were welcome.

## SISTER CLUB, ROTARY CLUB OF TAIPEI'S CHARTER DINNER – 7 October 2019

IPP Mark Wang invited members to join him and attend sister club, Rotary Club of Taipei's 71<sup>st</sup> Charter Anniversary Dinner which will be held on 7 October at the Grand Hyatt Hotel Taipei. Further details can be found on Page 6 and do inform IPP Mark, if you are able to attend.

## CONTRIBUTE TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Club Rotary Foundation (CRF) Director Rtn James Lee was called again to remind members to contribution to The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund whereby 50% of the donations would be returned to the Club in 3 years and RI would match the amount for every Global Grant project. Rtn James requested members who are not Paul Harris Fellows (PHFs) to contribute US\$500 for their first recognition and for other members who were already PHFs to become Major Donors.

Rtn James further reminded members to register and attend the District Rotary Foundation Dinner which will be held on 8 October, and to hear the Trustee Chair, Past RI President Gary Huang's presentation.

## APPROVED GLOBAL GRANTS

President Deepak called on International Service Director Rtn Mamta Shahani who announced that the Club's two new Global Grants (GGs) approved by The Rotary Foundation. The GGs were for 1800 cataract surgeries in Nigeria and medical equipment in Lagos.



## ROTARY CLUB GUEST SPEAKER

President Deepak celebrated the fact that not only are our members Speakers at the Club but also at other Rotary Clubs, as seen here, when Rtn Horst Hagemann was the guest speaker at the Rotary Club of Marina City.



**Speaker:** Past President Dr Yap Lip Kee

**Topic:** “Project Freedom from Pain”



*PP Keith Harrison*

President Deepak called on PP Keith Harrison to introduce the Speaker, none other than PP Dr Yap Lip Kee, although he did not need any introduction.

As mentioned by PP Keith, PP Lip Kee’s record as a Rotarian is well documented, Past President, Chairman of District Disaster Relief Committee and Co- Chair of the Host Organising Committee for the Rotary International Convention in Singapore June 2024.

He is a pioneer in Key hole surgery, both in his field of gynaecology as well as general surgery, being amongst the first in Singapore to do laparoscopic treatment for ectopic pregnancies, myomectomy and hysterectomies and being in the first team in Asia to do laparoscopic cholecystectomy. He was President of the International Society for Gynaecologic Endoscopy 2001/03 and founding head of the Minimally Invasive Surgery Unit in KK Hospital, Singapore.



*Speaker, PP Dr Yap Lip Kee*

PP Keith shared a few other facts about PP Lip Kee, which he felt members may not be aware of, such as PP Lip Kee was a Selangor-state rugby player in his earlier years!



*From left: President Deepak, PP Lip Kee  
& Rtn Siew Luen*

PP Lip Kee recounted the long but fruitful journey to Africa to participate in the Laparoscopy Surgery Camp held at Tumutumu Hospital, Kenya from 29 July to 4 August 2019. He highlighted the facilities available and the procedures undertaken at the camp.

PP Lip Kee gave an explanation of laparoscopic procedures and the rising acceptance of such surgeries at the K K Women’s Hospital. He advised members of the coming vocational training programme which will provide for a Kenyan team to spend two weeks in Singapore; with an international team (including PP Dr Yap Lip Kee and Rtn Dr Ganesh Ramalingam from RC Singapore) spending a week in two locations in Kenya. PP Lip Kee also showed some of his amazing post mission photographs of the stunning Kenyan wildlife.

President Deepak called on Community Service Director Dr Chan Siew Luen who extended the vote of thanks on behalf of the Club to PP Lip Kee for his insightful lecture.



GET READY TO TUMBLE!

# FAMILY ZUMBA & POTLUCK

JOIN US AS WE KICK UP SOME FUN  
SATURDAY SEPT 28 | 10 AM TO 2 PM  
LEONIE TOWER CLUBHOUSE  
20 LEONIE HILL (239222)

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## Rotary Club of Taipei

### The Programs for Sister Clubs

#### 71st Charter Anniversary

Date: October 7, 2019

Time: PM06:00 Registration

PM06:30 Ceremony Starts

Location: Grand Hyatt Hotel Taipei

Grand Ballroom I on 3rd Floor

Address: No. 2, SongShou Road, Taipei, Taiwan

Dress Code: Formal - with Floral Design or Pattern

Fee : USD80.00 / Person

#### Field Trip - Tea Plantation / Golf

Date: October 6, 2019

Time: AM09:00 -PM04:00

Location: Miaoli

Lunch : Village Cuisine

Dress Code: Casual

#### Welcome Dinner

Date: October 6, 2019

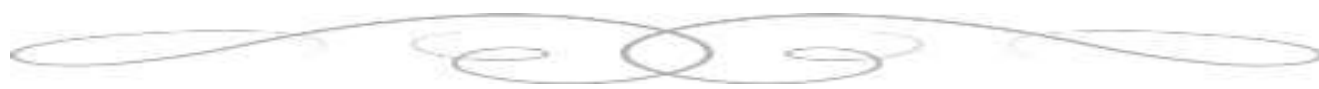
Time: PM 06:00 Registration

PM 06:30 Dinner Starts

Location: The Sherwood Taipei

Address: No. 111, Section 3, Minsheng East Road, Taipei, Taiwan

Dress Code: Smart Casual



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The Rotary   
Foundation

## DISTRICT ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER

*A Night with Trustee Chair*

**GARY HUANG**



**Date** 8 October 2019

**Time** 6:30 PM

**Venue** Singapore Marriot Tang Plaza Hotel, Grand Ballroom, Level 3

**Attire** Formal

**Tickets** S\$1,000 per table of 10 (Chinese dinner)

Individual tickets available for Muslims and Vegetarians

**RSVP** Joanne Kam +65-8808 3134 Christina Chin +60-19 757 0155

Dato' Jimmy Pang +60-16 826 3899 Dato' Thomas Ngu +60-16 863 0516

**Payment** Register with payment to Rotary Club of Garden City by 18 September 2019

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# SYMPHONY OF MOTHERHOOD



Sunday, 13 October, 5 pm  
**The Arts House**  
 1 Old Parliament Lane,  
 Singapore 179429

General admission \$38  
[www.symphonyofmotherhood.com](http://www.symphonyofmotherhood.com)





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**Rotary Eldercare & Caregivers Centre (RECC)**



**FRCS CHARITY MOVIE SCREENING**



Movie: Charlie's Angels  
 Date: 14 Nov 2019 Time: TBC  
 Movie Rating To Be Advised  
 Cinema: Shaw Theatres Lido, Lido 4  
 1 complimentary movie ticket for every S\$100 donation

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# Mark Your Diary

## Birthday Celebrants

**RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrant this week:**

Director Ronald Wong  
PP J K Ong

## Anniversary Celebrants

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

Robert & Judith Craiu  
Wilson & Alison Widjaja  
Vikrant & Supriya Kanyal

## Committee Meetings

**All Service Committee Meetings at Grand Hyatt Singapore From 7.00pm to 8.00pm**

**YOUTH SERVICE:**  
Wednesday, 25 September

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:**  
Wednesday, 2 October

**VOCATIONAL SERVICE:**  
Wednesday, 9 October

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:**  
Wednesday, 16 October

## This Meeting

**25 September 2019**

**Reception Desk duty:** Hena Hoda

**Sunshine Box:** Sunil Kalra & Uttam Kripalani

**Speaker:** His Excellency (H E) Mr Florian Marius Tacu, Ambassador of Romania to Singapore

**Topic:** "Romania: past, present and promising future"



## GIFT OF LIFE

**Children with cardiac problems to get help from Rotary's District 3300 & 3310**

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

Please order a few sets of books for the Gift of Life Project, and place your orders with :  
Hon. Member Rtn Rewa Mirpuri @  
tel: 6241 9157 or  
email: [rewamirpuri@gmail.com](mailto:rewamirpuri@gmail.com)

## Next Meeting

**2 October 2019**

**Reception Desk duty:** Dr Hoon Sing Keow & Suresh Keerthi

**Sunshine Box:** Jasbir Koh & Louis Lim

**Speaker:** Ms Sim Bee Hia, Chief Executive Officer, Food from the Heart

**Topic:** "How a Lady and a Loaf of Bread Changed Lives"

## Coming Rotary Events

### September

**Basic Education and Literacy Month**

**28 Sept** – Family Zumba

**\*Service Events**

### October

**Economic and Community Development Month**

**5 Oct** – White Cane Day @ Waterway Point B2 Event Square (East Wing) from 10.30am – 7.00pm

**7 Oct** – Sister club, R C Taipei's 71<sup>st</sup> Charter Anniversary Dinner

**8 Oct** – District Rotary Foundation Dinner @ S'pore Marriot Tang Plaza

**9 Oct** – **100 days of the 85<sup>th</sup> President & Board**

**13 Oct** – Symphony of Motherhood concert @The Arts House from 5-7pm

**30 Oct** – District Governor Jeff Yong's Official Visit to the Club & the 2<sup>nd</sup> Club Assembly

### November

**Rotary Foundation Month**



# The Guide to Daily Living

# The Four-Way Test

Before doing the things we want to do, consider first, the **Of the things we think, say or do:**

Precepts of the guide. Ask ourselves these 4 questions and act upon them:

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

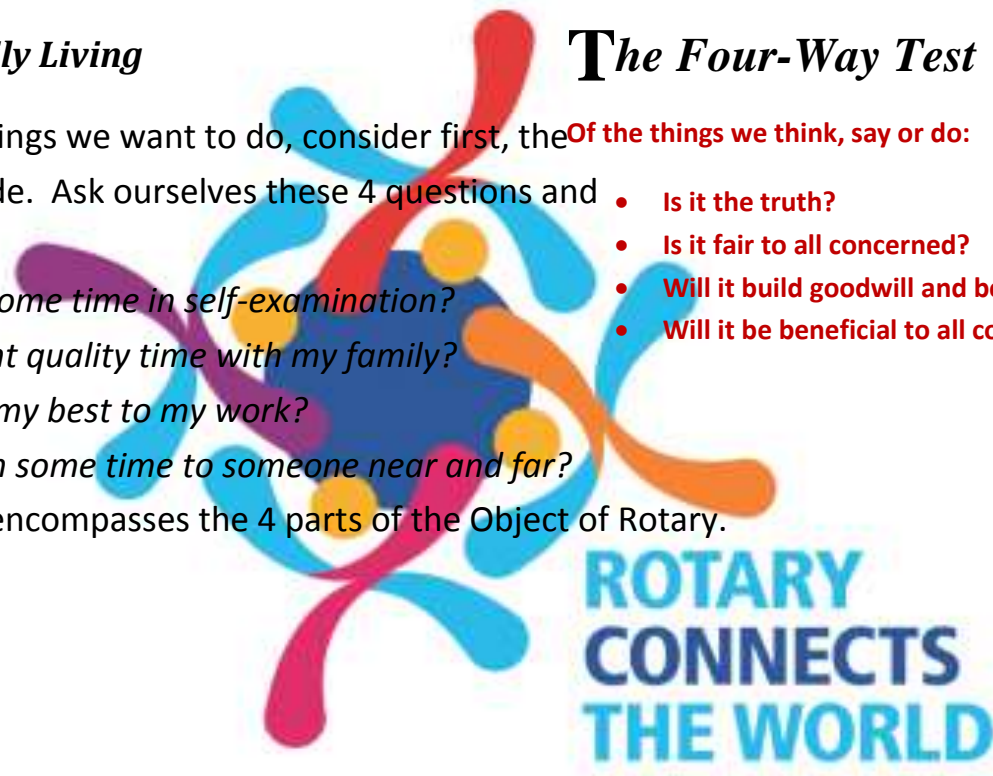
**Second:** Have I spent quality time with my family?

**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.

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



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2019/2020

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Immediate Past President	Mark Wang
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Vice President (Vocational & Youth Service)	Bala Venkatesan
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Chair, Community Service	Dr Chan Siew Luen
Chair, Vocational Service	Stuart Pearce
Chair, International Service	Mamta Shahani
Chair, New Generations Service	Ronald Wong
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