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Presidential message



Mark Daniel Maloney

President 2019-20

June 2020

My Rotary journey began 40 years ago when I joined the Rotary Club of Decatur, Alabama, at the age of 25, and it has brought my family and me many unforgettable moments. But nothing could have prepared me for connecting with the world as president of Rotary International. My individual Rotary journey has become a shared Rotary journey with each of you.

All of the incredible people Gay and I met this year — Rotarians, Rotaractors, and the extended family of Rotary — will be an inspiration for the rest of our lives. We visited clubs and projects from Uruguay to Ukraine, from Nigeria to New Zealand, and beyond. We were privileged to crisscross the globe, circumnavigating it twice and moving back and forth between the Northern and Southern hemispheres. Each country and each stop held its own Rotary magic. While in Zimbabwe in March, we participated in a medical vocational training team mission with Rotarians from India, providing health, hope, and life itself to the thousands who came for treatment. We also felt the energy of more than 300 young people at a Rotary Youth Symposium in Harare. What a thrill it was to be with these young people!

This year Rotary launched our new Action Plan, and I trust each club is putting that plan to use. And I have been energized by the efforts to embrace the priorities I set for this Rotary year: engaging families, providing leadership opportunities for all ages, celebrating our history with the United Nations in its 75th year, and, most significantly, growing Rotary.

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Presidential message...*contd.*

As COVID-19 reached around the globe, we found ourselves in a world transformed. We have been forced to connect in ways we could never have imagined, testing our ability to adapt. We have made tough decisions, including canceling club meetings, district conferences, presidential conferences, and, much to our regret, the 2020 Rotary International Convention in Honolulu. Together everyone is placing the public good and welfare first, despite the loss of meetings, events, and experiences that had been planned for years.

As we looked forward to the Rotary Convention in Honolulu, we learned about the aloha spirit. Our Rotary friends in Hawaii showed us that "aloha" means mutual regard and affection. It extends warmth and caring with no expectation of anything in return. The spirit of aloha applies wherever in the world we may live. As Rotarians, Rotaractors, and members of the family of Rotary, we are connected, and as aloha has been defined to me: Our connection to one another is based upon mutual respect for our differences as well as our appreciation for what we have in common. Community is the sum of individuals — individuals who have concern for one another, who care, share, and take responsibility.

As I have witnessed the members of the Rotary community act to care for humanity amid the coronavirus pandemic, I have seen the aloha of Rotary. We are indeed people of action. Every day, but particularly during this pandemic, the Rotary community has demonstrated its aloha spirit. It is a gift to be shared, and we are each a steward of this gift of Rotary. Gay and I have been amazed, inspired, and humbled by all of you within the family of Rotary.

Indeed, I would say that the last part of our shared Rotary year was transformational. We found new ways to make the lives of others better, new ways to move forward together. And, together, we will continue to grow Rotary so that we may increase our gift of Rotary to our local and global communities.

Gay and I will always remember and treasure our year with you, our shared journey, as *Rotary Connects the World!*



Last Week – Report on the Online Meeting – Wednesday 3 June 2020

OPENING REMARKS AND WELCOME

President Deepak opened the 42nd Club meeting with a warm welcome to all present.

To officially welcome guests, President Deepak invited Rtn Suresh Hathiramani who heartily welcomed guests and members and hoped that you would have an enjoyable meeting with President Deepak giving snippets for the day. President Deepak added that before the COVID 19 situation, Rtn Suresh was in charge of the Club's photography activities and he hoped that he would continue with this project.



*Rtn Suresh
Hathiramani*

President Deepak also took the opportunity to welcome a provisional member Mr Paul Koh, who is not a stranger to the Club and has attended many Service Committee events.

TOAST

President Deepak called upon Toastmaster, PP Paliath "Mohan" Mohandas who invited members to join him in raising a toast to the great organisation which is Rotary International.

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS



Rtn Dr Don Chen

President Deepak had the pleasant task of inducting three new members to the Club. Firstly, President Deepak called upon Community Service (CSC) Director Dr Chan Siew Luen to introduce his two candidates, Dr Don Chen JiaQing, Deputy Director of NTUC and Ms Louisa Lee Wei Ling, Managing Director of DP Dental Pte Ltd. Rtn Siew Luen advised that he got to know Rtn Don when they collaborated on a case of an abused foreign domestic worker.



Rtn Louisa Lee

As for Rtn Louisa, Rtn Siew Luen advised that she is the wife of a colleague and active in the industry and with ASME, as well as a finalist of The Entrepreneur of the Year Award (EYA) a few years ago.

President Deepak then called on PP Dr Yap Lip Kee to introduce his candidate, Rtn Frank Pao who was a Past President of Rotary Club of Kowloon. Rtn Frank is the Executive Chairman of BRC Global Rolle Pte Ltd. Rtn Frank is not a stranger to the Club, and recently spoke to the Club of his past career before relocating to Singapore and his work with the Kowloon club.



Rtn Frank Pao

Next, President Deepak inducted Rtns Don, Louisa and Frank to the Club, advising their classifications "Trade Union: Research", Management: Dental Service and Rolle Making" respectively. He further recommended that they join, for the remaining part of the Rotary year, the Community Service Committee, with the mentorship of PP Mansoor Hassanbhai.

Upon their inductions, President Deepak invited each new member to address the Club, starting with Rtn Frank who was the Club's Guest Speaker on 29 April, and followed by Rtns Don and Louisa who presented brief classification talks.



Last Week

Speaker: Rtn Dr Chan Siew Luen
Community Service Committee (CSC) Director

Topic: Community Service Committee Report

To introduce CSC Director Rtn Siew Luen, President Deepak called on another CSC core member, none other than VP/PN See Mee Lee.

Rtn Siew Luen highlighted the goals of the Committee to serve the community of the disadvantaged; to engage members in service and partner with NGOs that can provide sustainable impact. Rtn Siew Luen informed members of the Committee's exploration of many projects to identify a Major Project, which concluded in the adoption of Aidha. He added that fund-raising for the Major Project was on-going and invited Aidha's CEO, Ms Jacqueline Loh to briefly address the Club.



CSC Director Dr Chan Siew Luen

Rtn Siew Luen gave a detailed quarterly summary of the events undertaken by the Community, even for the last quarter, notwithstanding the COVID 19 situation. During the last few months, the Committee organised a Blood Donation Drive, partnered with Singapore Sindhi Association. Food was also catered for migrant workers at dormitories at Kaki Bukit through Hope Initiative Alliance as well as to stranded Sri Lankan students in dire straits. The successful Symphony of Motherhood was held twice in May. Rtn Siew Luen further advised members of an upcoming project to pack 500 care packs for the Care Corner for which \$2,250 was collected and sponsorship of masks and vitamins was sourced by VP/PN Mee Lee and sponsorship of soap was received through Rtn Atul Merchant.



VP/PN See Mee Lee

Next, Rtn Siew Luen introduced The Good Samaritan Award 2019-2020 winner, Mr Zulayqha Zulkifli, who together with his daughter, spoke on how he helped people in the neighbourhood to purchase groceries for those who did not have income as well as raise funds in order to pay for electrical usage for needy households.



AG Jimmy Ooi

Rtn Siew Luen further informed members of the "Sunshine Fund for COVID 19 Relief" – a joint project with Youth Service Committee, whereby \$10,000 was set aside for those unemployed due to the COVID pandemic would be given a \$100 voucher when they present a letter of termination. He added that the Community was also supporting the Catholic Welfare Services with its donation draw, and a portion of the funds raised would be returned to CSC for its projects.

To end his presentation, Rtn Siew Luen warmly thanked all Rotarians of the Club, as well as President Deepak, VP/PN Mee Lee, CSC members, the Ishk Tolaram Foundation and Secretariat staff. To extend the Club's vote of thanks, President Deepak called on AG Jimmy Ooi who noted that the Club has supported many iconic projects which would be highlighted at the 90th Year celebrations on 6 June. He warmly thanked Rtn Siew Luen for his report and added that despite the workload, CSC is a must join Committee which highlights Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self".



Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrants this week:

PP Stan Low
PP Dr Oliver Hennedige
Vishal Nanwani
Jessie Ang

Anniversary Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week:

PP Tapan & Prabha Rao
S "Mali" Malaiappan & Lakshmi
Dr Rudi & Fides Ackermann

Committee Meetings

Service Committee Meetings are held prior to the Weekly Meetings.

This Meeting

10 June 2020

43rd Club and Final International Service Committee Meetings for the year

Next Meeting

17 June 2020

Club and Vocational Service Committee Meetings

Coming Rotary Events

June Rotary Fellowships Month

6 June—Club's 90th Year Celebration

27 June—Club Awards Ceremony (Artisan Award, Good Samaritan Award, Rotarian of the Year and Honorary Member Awards) and Installation of the 86th Board.



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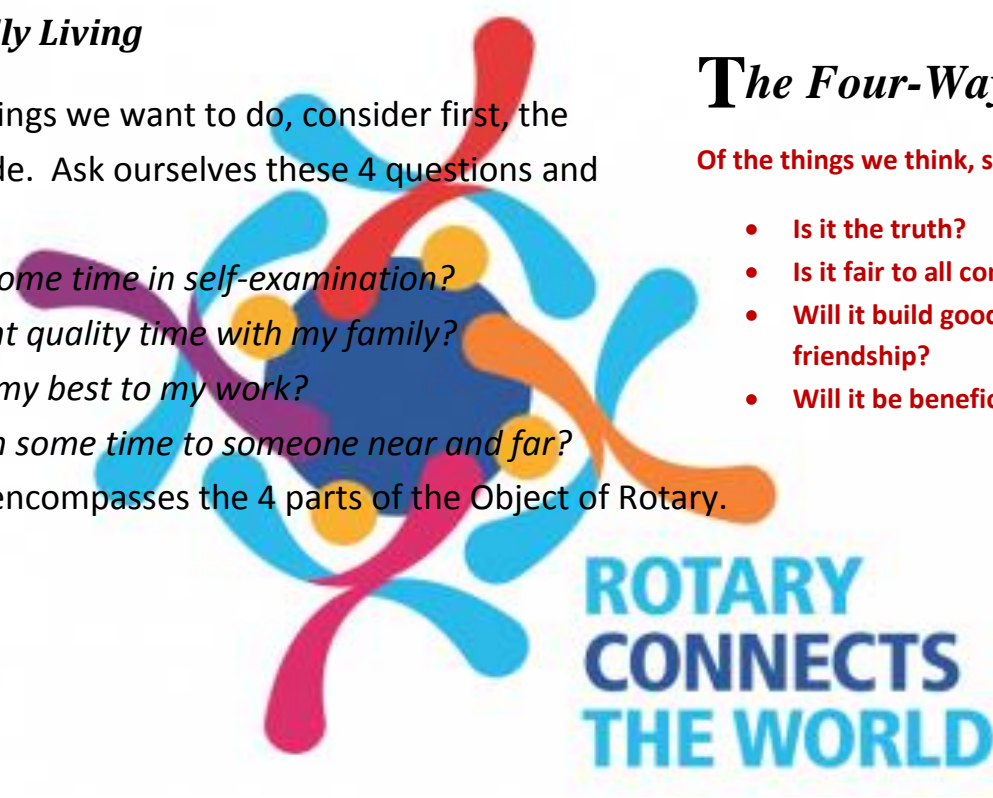


The Guide to Daily Living

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:

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- Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

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