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In Focus

Installation of President Dinesh Sharma and the 86th Board of the Rotary Club of Singapore – Part II

By: Director Sonali Sinha

As the formal part of the installation started, we had an emotional speech by the outgoing President Deepak Nagrani. He thanked each member of his Board for their spectacular work during the year despite all the challenges. He also thanked First Lady Bianca for involving all the spouses through the year and making it a great experience for all.

Then the outgoing President Deepak Nagrani passed on the Presidential Medallion to the incoming President Dinesh Sharma, virtually of course. Incoming First Lady Rekha thanked outgoing First Lady Bianca for all the hard work she put in during the year.

President Dinesh Sharma opened by acknowledging the immense contribution of Rotarians over 90 years of our club's proud heritage. Despite the Covid-19 uncertainties, President Dinesh put up his strategy to deliver an enriching experience for the members, focusing on four priorities, with a spotlight on membership. President Dinesh signed off by calling on the members to 'convert crisis to compassion' in these trying times.

It was then time for PP Dr Shahul Hameed to introduce the Guest of Honour RI President 2021-2022 Shekhar Mehta. He shared the illustrious profile of RIPN Shekhar Mehta and invited him to speak. RIPN Shekhar Mehta spoke eloquently and passionately about the service quotient of our wonderful Club and talked about the outstanding work being done by our Club across 13 countries. He also congratulated PP Tapan Rao for the Service Above Self Award conferred to him. He extended a warm welcome to our Club members to visit Kolkata and see the kind of difference our Club is making through our projects such as the eye hospitals, toilets in rural areas, schools, etc. He said that the story of our Club has to be told around the world and emulated by other districts and clubs. He applauded how proactively our Club has connected with different clubs across the world. He suggested making good use of technology to share the good work being done by the Club with its members and the rest of the world. He ended his speech by strongly echoing President Dinesh's initiative on membership and inviting him to make the most of his year at the helm.

President Dinesh Sharma thanked RIPN Shekhar Mehta for his inspiring words and assured him that the Club will continue its great work.

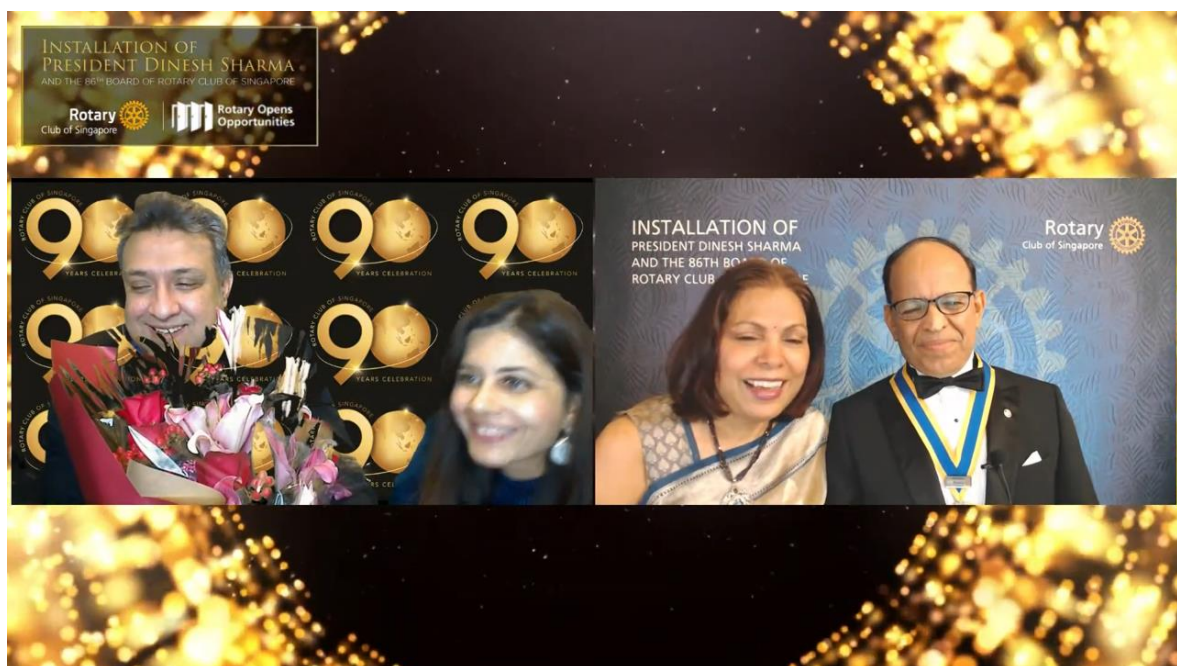
This was followed by the official charging of the 86th Board by DGE Rajamohan Munisamy. He inspired the incoming Board with his words and encouraged them to leave a mark behind with their leadership.

That brought us to the close of this unique installation. Rtn Andy Mankiewicz thanked Rtn James Lee and the technical team led by Ray for being instrumental in making this virtual installation a huge success.

Photo Album - Installation of President Dinesh Sharma and the 86th Board of the Rotary Club of Singapore



Left: IPP Deepak Nagrani giving an emotional speech
Right: The Presidential Medallion placed onto President Dinesh Sharma by 1st Lady Rekha



1st Lady Rekha warmly thanked outgoing 1st Lady Bianca for all her efforts as she receives a bouquet of flowers

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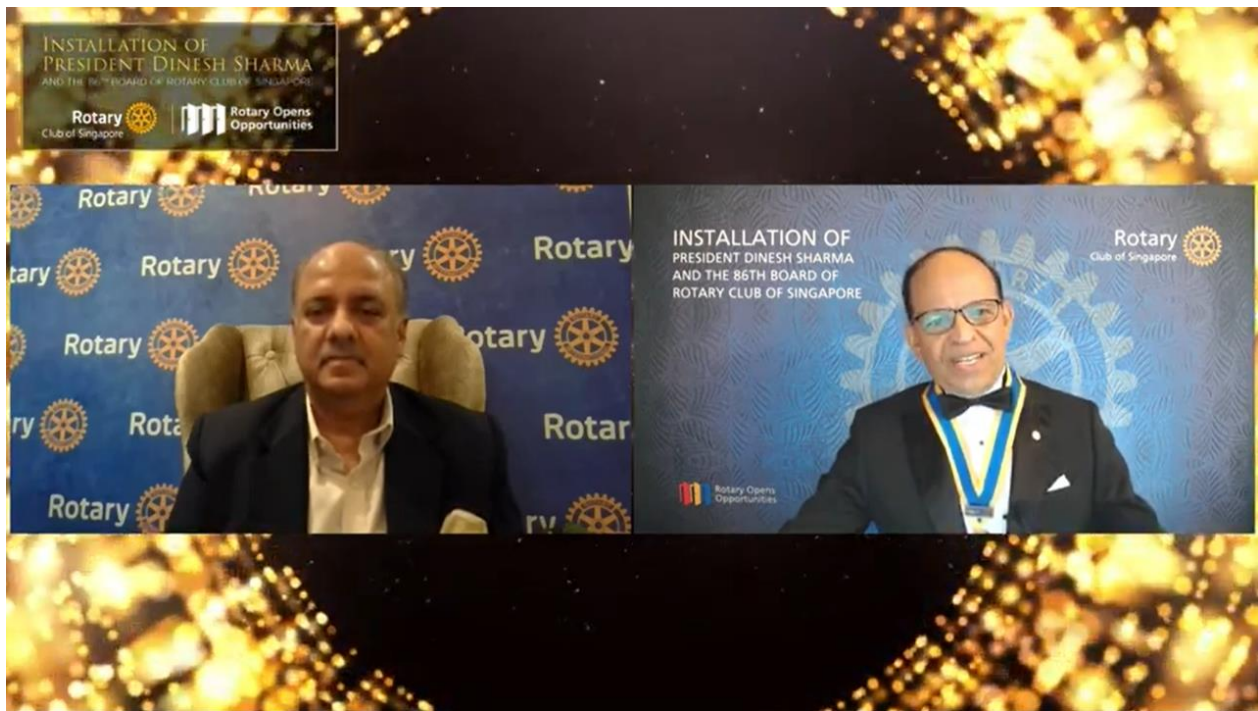


PP Dr Shahul Hameed introduced the Guest of Honour RI President 2021-2022 Shekhar Mehta

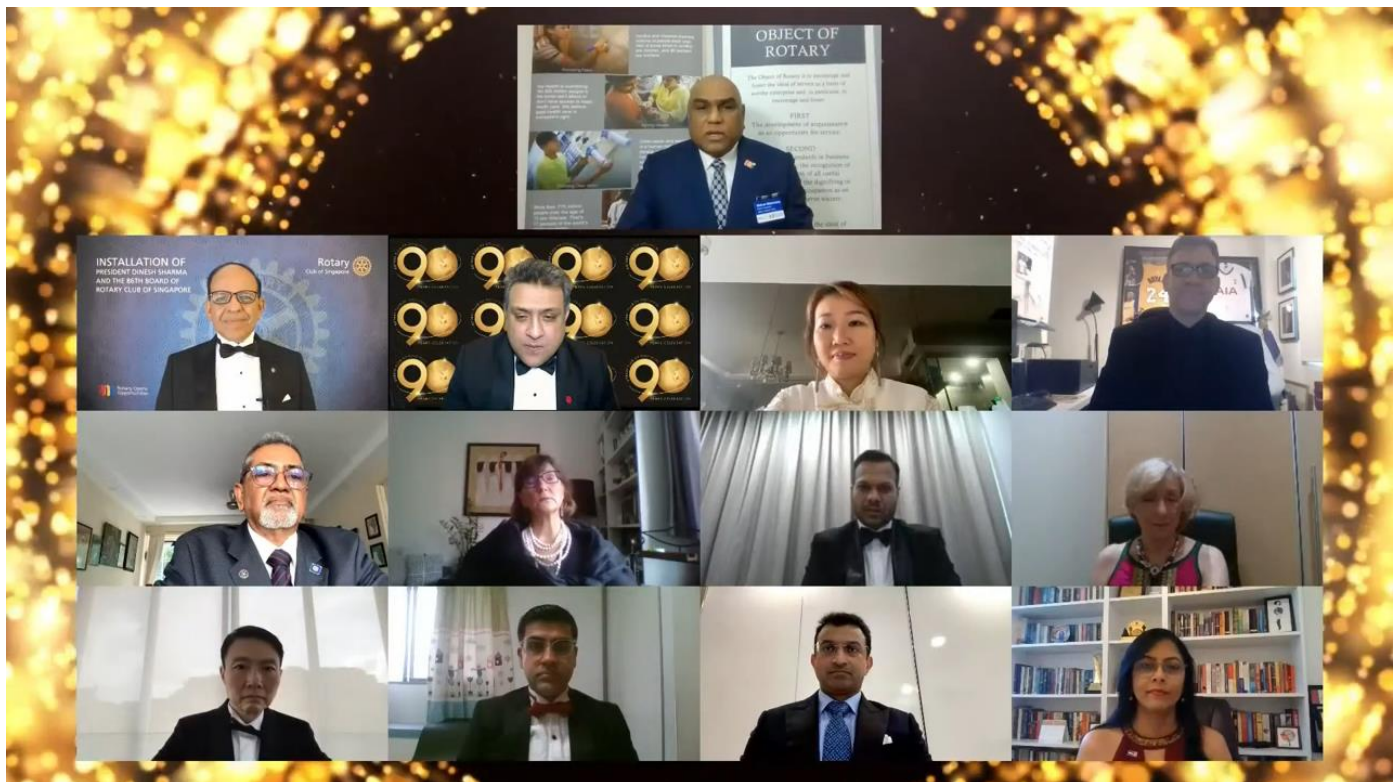


The eloquent RI President Elect Shekhar Mehta

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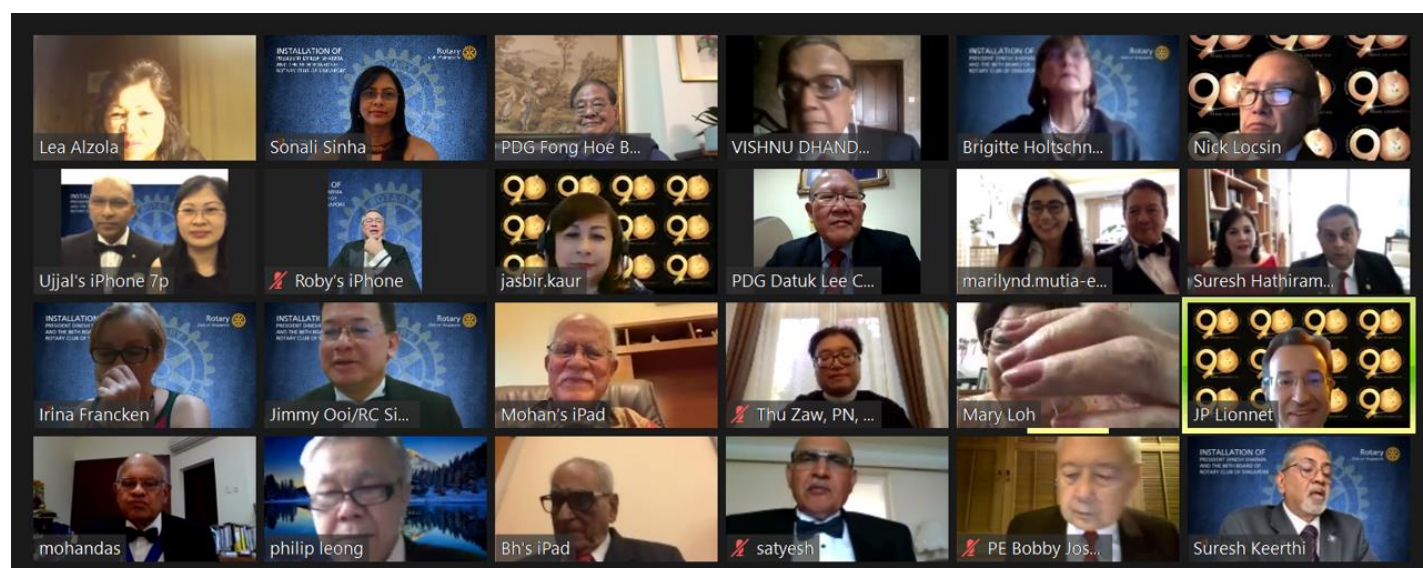
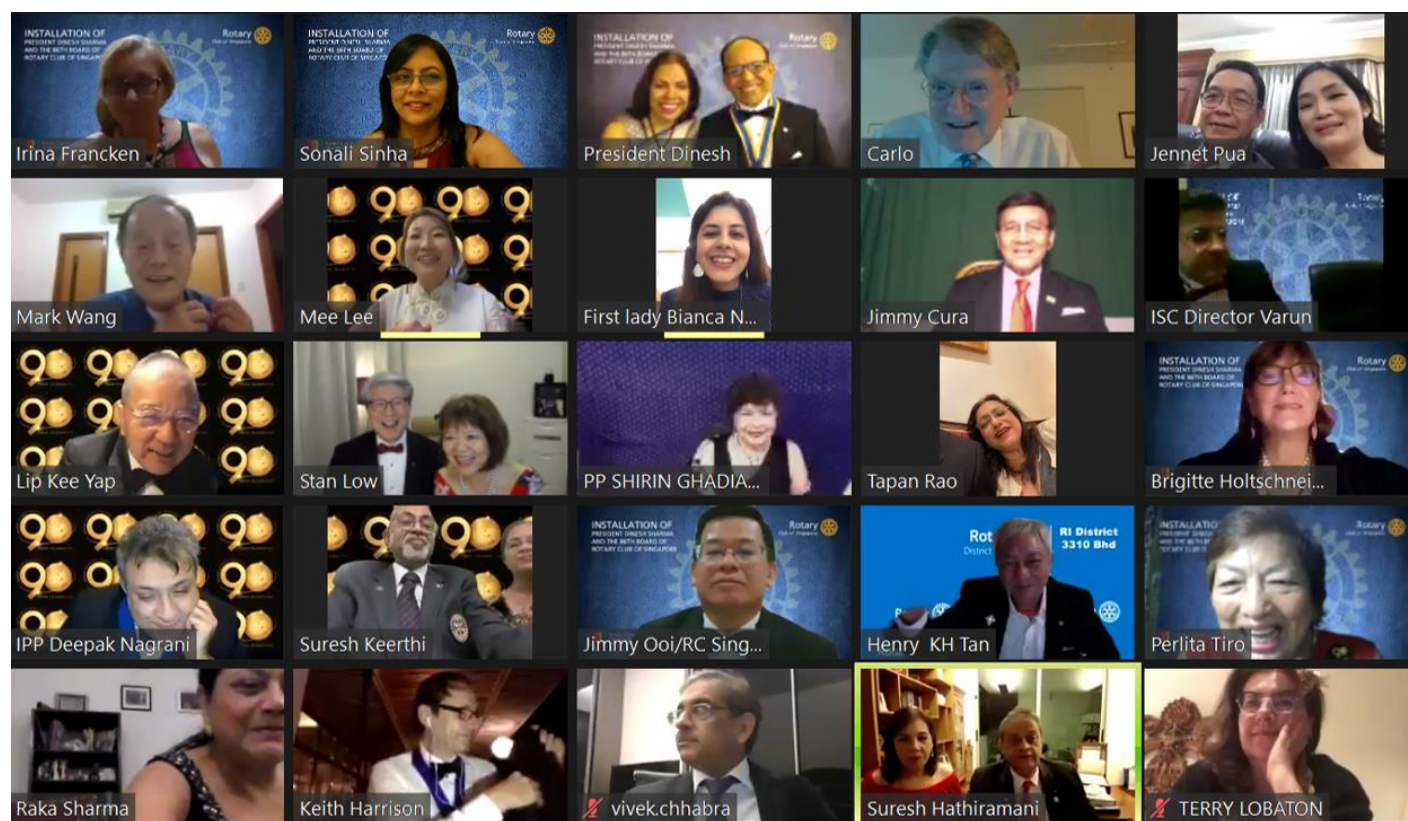


President Dinesh warmly thanked RI PE Shekhar Mehta for his inspiring speech



The 86th Board of Directors were officially by DG Rajamohan Munisamy

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Last Week

2nd Club Meeting for Rotary Year 2020-2021 held on 22.7.20

PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS

Sergeant-at-Arms, Rtn Jean-Philippe Lionnet started the second Club meeting to order and invited President Dinesh Sharma to the Chair. President Dinesh extended a warm welcome to Honorary Members PP Bhagwan Melwani, Mohan Vaswani and PP Chiang Shih Fang as well as guests and members. He also gave a special welcome to Ms Debbie Tang who is the Head (Programme Architects) Youth Corps Singapore, and Guest Speaker Mr Teh Eng Hua from Willing Hearts.



President Dinesh Sharma

TOAST TO ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



PP Mark Wang

With a glass in hand, PP Mark Wang called on members to join him in raising a toast to the Rotary International.

EXCHANGE OF BANNERS

President Dinesh noted that when PP Mark Wang was in Hong Kong, he did not forget about Rotary and visited the Rotary Clubs and exchanged banners, as well as met up with fellow Club members there.



From left: PP Mark with President Adrian Cheung from Rotary Club Island West on 12.6.2020 and with President Michelle Yeung from Rotary Club of Homantin Hill on 11.6.20



PP Mark with fellow Club members Rtns Frank Pao (left) and Roland Jossi (right)

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HONORARY SECRETARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Honorary Secretary Brigitte Holtschneider announced the following:

- Youth Service Committee will be held on Thursday, 23 July at 6.45 to 8.00pm on Zoom.
- Extraordinary General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 29 July after the Speaker meeting at 8.15pm on Zoom.



Honorary Secretary
Brigitte Holtschneider

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING (EOGM):

President Dinesh reminded members of the Extraordinary General Meeting to be held on **Wednesday, 29th July 2020 at 8.15 pm** for the purpose of considering the Foundation of Rotary Clubs (Singapore) Ltd. ("FRCS") proposal that all Rotarians:

1. pledge to participate actively and volunteer in the work of the Host Organisation Committee and
2. contribute \$120 each, annually for the Rotary Years 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24, totalling \$480 per Singapore Rotarian, towards defraying the expenses of the Rotary Convention in Singapore in 2024.

INTERACT LEADERSHIP TRAINING CAMP (ILTC)

President Dinesh advised that the first virtual ILTC was held last week from 17 to 19 July which was attended by about 115 Interactors including 10 Interactors from Malaysia and Brunei. He added that District Governor Rajamohan Munisamy officially opened the Camp. President Dinesh warmly thanked Ms Debbie Tang from the Youth Corps Singapore who assisted at the Camp as well as Youth Service Director Dr Ganesh Ramalingam and his great team including Rtns James Lee, Ronald Wong and PP Jimmy Ooi. He further thanked PDG Dr Philbert Chin who explained so very well what Rotary is all about.

A further report of the ILTC will be featured in a coming issue of the bulletin.



Debbie Tang

Head (Programme Architects)



PDG Dr Philbert Chin addressing the Interactors

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Heartiest Congratulations
Best Wishes to
Hon Member Past President
Raymon & Jessie Huang
on their
66th Wedding Anniversary

*On the happy occasion, HM PP Raymon
poetically stated "It has been a long winding
road... traversing rough patches and
rapids... as well as lovely valleys of white
lilies and red roses."*



HM PP Raymon & Jessie Huang with the lovely bouquet of flowers presented by President Dinesh & 1st Lady Rekha on their 66th Wedding Anniversary on 24.7.2020

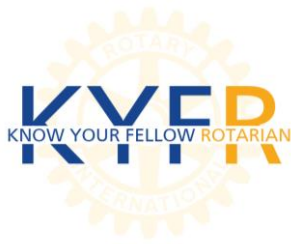


Heartiest Congratulations
to first-time Grandparents
PP Stan & Dolores Low
on the birth of their
granddaughter Charlotte
on 16 July 2020 in Paris,
seen here with proud parents
Sophie & Darren Low



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KYFR

KNOW YOUR FELLOW ROTARIAN

President Dinesh announced the new section of the meeting – KYFR, and that the speaker was International Service Committee (ISC) Director Rtn Varun Gulati, who will speak about his vocation and members would have the opportunity to get to know him better.

Rtn Varun gave an introduction of his family of five with his being the youngest boy born in Delhi in 1983 with 2 sisters, one of whom is a polyglot and the other a doctor. He spoke of his parental influences from his father, an engineer and his mother, an architect in the initial workforce. Rtn Varun shared that he lived in Dubai for 4 years and has been in Singapore for the last 10 years. He further introduced his wife and travel partner, Niharika. Rtn Varun spoke of the “circle of life” of Nature’s way of taking and giving back in relation with the loss of his mother and the birth of his daughter, Saige, in 2018, adding that women have played an important role in his life.



ISC Director
Varun Gulati

Rtn Varun advised that he joined the Club in July 2018, thanks to the influence of Hon. Member Rtn Mohan Vaswani. He further thanked PP Dr Yap Lip Kee who hosted the 1st online ISC meeting on 16.7.2020 at his home. Among his other voluntary work, Rtn Varun advised that he volunteers with Caregivers Alliance and Food from the Heart as well as a strategic adviser to MKAC Foundation. Rtn Varun added that since 2016 he has supported the Movember movement for men’s health projects, and last year alone, he raised more than \$5,000. Lastly, Rtn Varun added that for the past 15 years, he had only worked as a banker.

GUEST SPEAKER: MR TEH ENG HUA

TOPIC: WILLING HEARTS – INTRODUCTION, PURPOSE, SUSTAINABILITY

President Dinesh called on Community Service Director Rtn Dr Irina Francken who introduced the Speaker, Mr Teh Eng Hua. Mr Teh is a marine engineer by profession and upon his retirement in 2016 began volunteering with Willing Hearts and in 2018 became its President.

Prior to his talk, Mr Teh showed a heart-warming video highlighting the work that this secular, non-affiliated charity, which is wholly run by volunteers, apart from a handful of staff. Since its humble beginning of collecting and distributing unsold loaves of bread, Willing Hearts now operates a soup kitchen that prepares, cooks and distributes about 8,500 daily meals to over 40 locations island-wide, every day of the year.



Speaker, Mr Teh Eng Hua

Mr Teh spoke of the organisation’s volunteer base who come from all walks of life, race and religion to provide meals for the beneficiaries who include the elderly who live alone with no family members, the disabled, low-income families, children from single-parent families or otherwise poverty-stricken families, and migrant workers in Singapore. Willing Hearts has been extremely helpful during the current COVID situation. After his presentation, Mr Teh graciously answered the questions posed to him by members and guests.

President Dinesh invited PP Perlita who was impressed by Mr Teh’s passion and noted that the work undertaken by Willing Hearts resonated with Rotary’s motto of “Service Above Self”. She added that to feed the number of people mentioned was truly a mind boggling feat. PP Perlita warmly thanked Mr Teh for sharing his story and felt sure that some members would want to help and even bring their children as a form of education for them, and for the elderly to volunteer as a group it might be therapeutic.

Mark Your Diary

Birthday Celebrants

RC sends best wishes to Birthday celebrants next week:

ISC Director Varun Gulati
Hon. Member PP Raymon Huang
Ronil Sujan
James Lee
PP Dr Winston Oh
Vijai Parwani
PP Mark Wang

Anniversary

RC send best wishes to Wedding Anniversary celebrants this week:

Aarti Wadhwa & Niels Nielsen

Committee Meetings

All Service Committee Meetings will be held on Thursdays from 7.00 to 8.00pm

COMMUNITY SERVICE:
Thursday, 6 August

VOCATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 13 August

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:
Thursday, 20 August

YOUTH SERVICE:
Thursday, 27 August

This Meeting

**29 July 2020
From 7.00 to 8.05pm**

Speaker: Ms Melanie Cook,
Founder, Hyper Island

Topic: Transformation of Education

**From 8.15 to 8.30pm
Extraordinary General
Meeting (EOGM)**

Next Meeting

**5 August 2020
From 7.00 to 8.30pm**

Speaker: Mr Arun Sharma,
Business Consultant, Life Coach &
Key Note Speaker

Topic: Monetise your talent

Coming Rotary

July
Rotary Fellowships Month

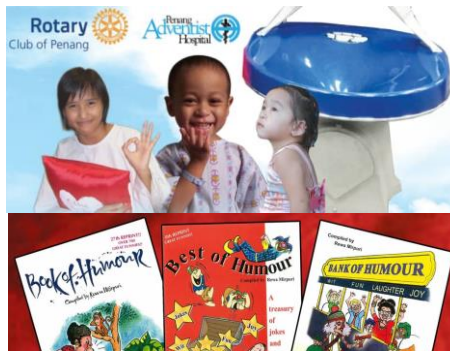
August
**Membership and New Club
Development Month**

September
**Basic Education and Literacy
Month**

October
**Economic and Community
Development Month**

November
Rotary Foundation Month

December
**Disease Prevention & Treatment
Month**



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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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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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Immediate Past President

Deepak Nagrani

President Elect

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