



# Berita Pudu



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Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
RI District 3300**

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## PROGRAMME FOR TODAY

Speaker: PP Tan Sri Dato' Soong Siew Hoong  
Subject: Growing Vegetables in an Urban Setting

### On Duty

Duty Table: Rtn Elaine Tan  
Fellowship: Rtn Sarkunan  
Finemaster: Rtn Mok Sin  
Introducing: PP Tai Chin Peow  
Thanking: PP Datuk Y K Chew

## PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK

**MEETING CANCELLED**

## Rotarians' Birthdays (December)

5<sup>th</sup> – PP Tai Chin Peow  
7<sup>th</sup> – Rtn Jeffrey Yap  
9<sup>th</sup> – PP Tan Sri Dato' Soong Siew Hoong  
23<sup>rd</sup> – Rtn Steven Ho  
25<sup>th</sup> – VP C T Heng  
27<sup>th</sup> – PP Tan Sri Dato' Sri Tay Ah Lek

## Spouses Birthdays (December)

29<sup>th</sup> – Spouse Wee Eng Lee (PP Rosemarie Wee)

## Wedding Anniversaries

1<sup>st</sup> – Rtn Patrick Lee and Ann Geok Hwa  
9<sup>th</sup> – PP Tai Chin Peow and Ann Ivy  
9<sup>th</sup> – Rtn Mok Sin and Ann May Lee  
12<sup>th</sup> – PP Richard Liew and Ann Angeline  
27<sup>th</sup> – PP Leong Choy Ying and Spouse Edward  
30<sup>th</sup> – PP Gary Lim and Ann Rowena

## CLUB DIARY OF EVENTS – DECEMBER 2013

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
Mon, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Thurs, 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Membership Development Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
Thurs, 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.30 pm	Club Service Committee Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Taipei Rotary Institute	Taipei
6 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec		Joint R I District 3300 and 3310 Interact Conference	Port Dickson
Sat, 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	<b>47<sup>th</sup> Club Anniversary Dinner Celebrations</b>	<b>Restoran Bei Ping, Shah Alam</b>
Mon, 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.00 am	<b>79<sup>th</sup> R I District 3300 Conference</b>	<b>Sunway Putra Hotel, KL</b>
Mon, 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Youth Service Committee Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
Tue, 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.30 pm	Community Service Committee Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
Wed, 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Vocational Service Committee Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
Wed, 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.30 pm	International Service Committee Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
18 <sup>th</sup> - 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	-	Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	AIMST University, Sg Petani, Kedah
Thurs, 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Board of Directors Meeting	Royal Lake Club, KL
Mon, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	-	<b>MEETING CANCELLED</b>	-
Sat, 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec	4.00 pm	Rotaract Board of Directors Meeting	Carmen's Restaurant, KL
Mon, 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL



## EDITORIAL

**Y**ears ago, there was a very wealthy man who, with his devoted young son, shared a passion for art collecting. Together, they travelled around the world, adding only the finest art treasures to their collection. Priceless works by Picasso, Van Gogh, Monet and many others adorned the walls of the family estate. The widowed elder man looked on with satisfaction as his only child became an experienced art collector.

One year, as winter approached, war engulfed the nation, and the young man left to serve his country. After only a few short weeks, his father received a telegram. His beloved son was missing in action. The art collector anxiously awaited more news, fearing he would never see his son again. Within days, his fears were confirmed. The young man had died while rushing a fellow soldier to a hospital. Distraught and lonely, the old man faced the upcoming Christmas holidays with anguish and sadness.

On Christmas morning, a knock on the door awakened the depressed old man. As he opened the door, he was greeted by a soldier with a large package in his hands. He introduced himself to the old man by saying, "I was a friend of your son. I was the one he was rescuing when he died. May I come in for a few moments? I have something to show you." As the two began to talk, the soldier told of how the man's son had told everyone of his father's love of fine art. "I am no artist," said the soldier, "but I want to give you this." As the old man unwrapped the package, the paper gave way to reveal a portrait of the man's son. Though the world would never consider it the work of a genius, the painting featured the young man's face in striking detail. Overcome with emotion, the man thanked the soldier, promising to hang the picture above the fireplace. True to his word, the painting went above the fireplace, pushing aside millions of dollars worth of art. His task completed, the old man sat in his chair and spent Christmas gazing at the gift he had been given.

During the days and weeks that followed, the man realized that, even though his son was no longer with him, the boy would live on because of those he had touched. He would soon learn that his son had rescued dozens of wounded soldiers. As the stories of his son's gallantry

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*It's true, Christmas can feel like a lot of work, particularly for mothers. But when you look back on all the Christmases in your life, you'll find you've created family traditions and lasting memories. Those memories, good and bad, are really what help to keep a family together over the long haul.*



*Caroline Kennedy*

Christmas is a sort of 'half way mark' for all Rotary Presidents around the world. For the liquidation lawyers, this is the time when we 'wind up' as we do not 'wind down' for the end of the year.

Upon reflection, and when we look back on all the projects and activities we have carried out as a club in the past years, you'll find we have created a Rotary family traditions and lasting memories. Those memories, good and bad, are really what help to keep a Rotary family together over the long haul.

Today we are happy to have the Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Bandar Utama to join us in our meeting with us. Welcome President Judy Chong and your members to our joint meeting.

I wish one and all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Alex Chang  
President  
RY 2013-14*



## PUDU NEWS

**Record of Meeting on: 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013**

Guest Speaker: Mrs June Yeoh  
Subject: Highlights of the YWCA



### Visiting Rotarians

Name	Club

### Guests

Ann Elaine Chang	President Alex Chang
Ms Louise Chang	President Alex Chang
Mr Sean Chang	President Alex Chang
Mr Andrew Chang	President Alex Chang
Ms Victorine Lee	President Alex Chang
Mr Ng Jun Wei	President Alex Chang
Ms Lim Soo Zee	President Alex Chang
Ms Janice Wong	President Alex Chang
Ms Chow Bee Ling	President Alex Chang
Ms Lee Lee Ying	Rtn Tenny Lee
Mr Pang Seng Heng	Rtn Tenny Lee
Mr Soon Tan Lat	Rtn Tenny Lee
Mr William Tan	Rtn Tenny Lee
Datin Josephine Sin-nadurai	Club
Ms June Yeoh	Club
Ms Elizabeth Chua	Club
Ms Liew	Club

### Statistics

Guests	17
Visiting Rotarians	
Club Members	17
Total Present	34

### Collections:

Birthdays/Anniv/Fines	41.00
Paying Diners	260.00
Raffles & Others	52.00
Total (RM)	RM 353.00

### PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

1) The Youth Service and Community Service Meetings will be held on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at the Royal Lake Club at 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm respectively.

2) The 79<sup>th</sup> R I District 3300 Conference will be held from 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at the Sunway Putra Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

### INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER

PP Gary Lim introduced the guest speaker Mrs June Yeoh who presented a talk on the subject "Highlights of the YWCA."

### CLUB PROCEEDINGS

Sgt-At-Arms Rtn Tenny Lee called the meeting to order at 1.10 pm on behalf of President Alex Chang. She welcomed all Visiting Rotarians and Guests. She then led in the singing of the National Anthem and then proposed the Loyal Toast.

PE Daisy Chiu was the fine master.

- Members who attended the 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner were fined RM 2 while absent members were fined RM 3.
- President Alex Chang was fined RM 2 for a successful 47<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner and RM 10 for inviting all his family members and staff to lunch.
- PP Mike Yeow was fined RM 2 because he was not properly attired.
- Rtn Tenny Lee was fined RM 3 for inviting her family to lunch.
- Members who did not purchase raffles tickets were fined RM 2.

### NOTICE

There will be no meeting Monday week 23 Dec 2013 in view of the Christmas holidays.  
However, Monday 30 December will be a regular meeting day.



## SPEAKER'S CV

Speaker: MRS JUNE YEOH

### FAMILY

Married to PP Ernest Yeoh of the Rotary Club of Bangsar and have 2 boys aged 30 and 36.

### EDUCATION

Graduated from the University of Malaya in 1967

### SPORTS

National hockey player from 1965 to 1971

### CAREER

Past President of YWCA Kuala Lumpur  
Past Chairman of the Vocational Training Opportunity Centre

## THANKING THE SPEAKER




IPP Aaron Ong thanked Mrs June Yeoh for a very educational and informative presentation.


He commented that Mrs June Yeoh has dedicated 30 years of her life to Community Service.

He added that R C Pudu will continue to support the benevolent efforts of the YWCA.


He then presented a Certificate of Appreciation and a Memento to Mrs June Yeoh.

## SPEAKER'S TEXT





### YWCA Kuala Lumpur Vocational Training Opportunity Centre



Empowering economically disadvantaged young women and girls in Malaysia through skills training

### *Sewing & Tailoring*

Trainees begin by learning different types of hand stitching before being taught to handle the sewing machine. This is followed by development of skills in measurement taking and drafting. By the end of the year, Trainees would have learnt how to sew a variety of garments starting with children's dresses, skirts, blouses, pants, baju kurung, Baju Kedah, evening dresses, saree blouses and 'salwar kameez.' Their training includes basic mathematics to enable them to do costing so that they can seek employment or set-up their own Tailoring Centres.



## VTOC

### Courses of Study

Six one-year residential courses are offered, from January to December each year.

#### Computer, Secretarial & Basic Accounting

The complete Course is sponsored and taught by Olympia College of the Raffles Education Group. Trainees are taught Office administration, Secretarial skills, Word processing as well as Basic Accounting and Book-Keeping on software like Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access.

The more competent trainees are encouraged to pursue Diploma Courses which will enhance their competitiveness in the job market. Scholarships are obtained for some who want to further their studies.



#### Health Care

This one year programme commenced in 2007. The basic objective is to provide training opportunities for employment in Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Clinics and Hospice, to help care for patients and the infirm.

The one year training programme is conducted at VTOC in a simulated Home Care/Hospital environment. Lectures include the study of the Human Body, Principles and Practice of Nursing, General Psychology, Nutrition and specific care of the elderly with Stroke, Diabetes, Cancer, Dementia etc.

The training incorporates specific periods of apprenticeship at various Nursing Homes.



#### Kindergarten Teacher Training

Trainees will teach in private kindergartens in the mornings and attend classes in Theory conducted by DIKA College at YWCA VTOC in the afternoons. Trainees will complete the 1st year Diploma in Early Childhood Education at VTOC and continue with the 2nd year Diploma in Early Childhood Education at DIKA College, Bandar Sunway, Petaling Jaya. The Diploma in Early Childhood Education awarded by Dika College is recognized by the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA) and enables Trainees to work in Kindergartens. In addition to the Diploma in Early Childhood Education, Trainees will also undertake the Kursus Asuhan Kanak-Kanak (KAAK) conducted by the Department of Social Welfare, Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development. On successful completion of the KAAK Course trainees will get a Certificate of Attendance from Dika College and a Certificate of Completion of the Course from the Department of Social Welfare, Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development. This KAAK Certificate will enable Trainees to work in Nurseries.



#### LANGUAGE AND COMPUTER SKILLS

Enrichment classes in English are given to improve Language Skills. The few who have never been to school are taught to speak, read and write in English.

Computer skills are taught to Trainees in all the Six Courses of Study.

Some of the Trainees have even taken the opportunity to sit or re-sit their Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) examination at the end of their VTOC training.

#### Culinary & Bakery

This Course which started in 2004, aims to give Trainees a foundation for entrance into the Hospitality industry. The range of topics covered include Personal Development, Customer Relations, Occupational Hygiene and Sanitation, Occupational Safety, Food planning, Food preparation and methods of cooking a variety of meals and cakes both Asian and Western. The Course includes modules in interpersonal skills, business etiquette, stewarding, receiving and storing of goods, including periods of apprenticeship at various Restaurants or Bakeries.



#### Hairdressing & Beauty Care

The Hairdressing & Beauty Care Course commenced in 2009 and is an intensive programme geared towards equipping each trainee with the rudimentary skills of Hairdressing and Beauty Care.



In Hairdressing, they learn to be proficient in haircutting, styling, perming, colouring, general salon cleanliness and hygiene together with salon routine and client reception.

In Beauty Care, the Course comprises basic facials including cleansing, exfoliation, treatment (masks) and also a comprehensive education on make-up.



Together with both Courses of six months duration each, trainees learn in-depth knowledge about skin and hair, methods of consultation with clients and procedure to doing an analysis before the start of any procedure or treatment.

Personal grooming and hygiene, together with language studies also form a key element in their programme which includes periods of internship in salons.



### Emerging into Society and the Working World

The young women and girls at the VTOC have access to friendly, mature counsel as well as co-curricular activities organised by staff and volunteers.

Job placements are also done wherever possible. The girls are prepared to face the employment market with practical help given on preparation of resumes and job interview skills.

This holistic approach has enabled many of the VTOC trainees to emerge as confident young women.



### How Can YOU Be Involved?

- ▽ Be a volunteer at the VTOC  
(Send us some information about yourself  
e.g. occupation/skills/interests)
- ▽ Recommend a young woman whose needs could  
be met by the VTOC
- ▽ Sponsor a VTOC trainee for a year (RM5,000)\*
- ▽ Make a general donation\*

\* Cheques should be made payable to "YWCA of Kuala Lumpur". Donations to the YWCA are tax exempted.

Name : \_\_\_\_\_  
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### Empowering Young Women

#### The YWCA Kuala Lumpur Vocational Training Opportunity Centre

(VTOC) was established in September 1998 to serve the needs of young women and girls from economically disadvantaged segments of Malaysia irrespective of race, religion and culture.

It has enriched the lives of young women and girls by equipping them with:

- Vocational - Income Generating Skills
- Development opportunities
- Entrepreneurial knowledge
- Information & Communication Technology (ICT) skills

#### Who May Apply?

Young women and girls aged 16 years and above who:

- Come from disadvantaged home environments
- Would benefit from vocational training
- Want to come of their own free will with parental / guardian consent
- Would commit themselves to the one year training and comply with the VTOC's rules and regulations



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continued to reach him, fatherly pride and satisfaction began to ease his grief. The painting of his son soon became his most prized possession, far eclipsing any interest in the pieces for which museums around the world clamoured. He told his neighbours it was the greatest gift he had ever received. The following spring, the old man became ill and passed away. According to the will of the old man, all art works would be auctioned on Christmas Day, the day he had received the greatest gift.

The day soon arrived and art collectors from around the world gathered to bid on some of the world's most priceless paintings. The auction began with a painting that was not on any museum's list. It was the painting of the man's son. The auctioneer asked for an opening bid, but the room was silent. "Who will open the bidding with \$100?" he asked. Minutes passed, and no one spoke. From the back of the room came a voice, "Who cares about that painting? It's just a picture of his son." "Let's forget about it and move on to the good stuff," more voices echoed in agreement. "No, we have to sell this one first," replied the auctioneer. "Now, who will take the son?" Finally, a neighbour of the old man spoke. "Will you take ten dollars for the painting? That's all I have. I knew the boy; so I would like to have it." "I have ten dollars. Will anyone go higher?" asked the auctioneer. After more silence, the auctioneer said, "Going once, going twice, gone." The gavel fell. Cheers filled the room and someone exclaimed, "Now we can get on with it and we can bid on the real treasures!" The auctioneer looked at the audience and announced that the auction was over. Stunned disbelief quieted the room. Someone spoke up and asked, "What do you mean, it's over? We didn't come here for a picture of some old guy's son. What about all these paintings? There are millions of dollars worth of art here! I demand that you explain what is going on!"

The auctioneer replied, "It's very simple. **According to the will of the father, whoever takes the son...gets it all.**"

*With Best Wishes  
for a Blessed and Joyful Christmas*

*PP Mike Tung*

## **Greet letter from Taipei NW. RC**

*Rotary Club of Pudu Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
Dear P. Alex and P.P. Quah Sek Cheng,*

Time flies! Now we're entering the season of maple, as well as the time we are about to harvest.

Remember in this February, we met and knew each other at the occasion of Rotary Club of Mandaluyong's 50th Charter Anniversary. Our meeting was short, yet we felt like if we were old friends with P. Alex, P.P. Quah Sek Cheng and other members of yours. Now half year's gone, V.P. Daniel, P.P. Casey, I.P.P. Ball, Rtn. Alan and I were still kept pulling back at the moment of remembering our interaction.

We've discussed over the issue of international outreach to a overseas sister club after our return from Malaysia. Many of our members suggest to reach to your club.

**Thus the purpose of this mail is to kindly ask if you're willing to build up a friendship connection with us, or even to become sister club.**

Below is the brief introduction of our club for your reference:

- Rotary Club of Taipei
- Founded on May 4, 1960
- Chartered on September 24, 1960
- Current President: P. Archi Chen
- Members: 69 male Rotarians
- Meets Every Wednesday, 12:30-14:00pm at Caesar Park Hotel Taipei (4F)

We have 4 Past District Governors, 8 daughter clubs and 6 sister clubs, as follows:

- D.2780 Rotary Club of Chigasaki
- D.2660 Rotary Club of Ibaraki
- D.2750 Rotary Club of Tokyo Setagaya
- D.2760 Rotary Club of Nogoya North
- D.2570 Rotary Club of Kawagoe
- D.3800 Rotary Club of Mandaluyong

And 4 Friendship/Twinning clubs:

- D.2710 Rotary Club of Hagi East
- D.2820 Rotary Club of Shimotsumai
- D.2560 Rotary Club of Takasaki-South
- D.2710 Rotary Club of Kure East

Thank you! And we hope to hear from you soon!

*Yours Sincerely,  
P. Archi Chen  
Rotary Club of Taipei Northwest  
2013/11/4*

## CLUB MEETING ON 9 DECEMBER 2013



*Top Table*



*Rtn Tenny Lee the Sergeant-at-Arms*



*Rtn Tenny Lee's family*



*Pres. Alex with the family*



*Pres. Alex with Speaker and Guests*



*Pres. Alex posing again*

## CLUB MEETING ON 9 DECEMBER 2013



*PP Gary Lim—introducing the Speaker*



*The Guest Speaker—Mrs June Yeoh*



*PE Daisy Chiu the Finemaster*



*IPP Aaron Ong thanking the Speaker*



*Finally, a pose with Bulletin Editor (centre)*



*Mrs June Yeoh presenting the raffles winner*



## CLUB & DISTRICT DIARY OF EVENTS - FUTURE

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-	Taipei Rotary Institute	Taipei
6 <sup>th</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-	Joint R I District 3300 and 3310 Interact Conference	Port Dickson
Sat, 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	<b>47<sup>th</sup> Club Anniversary Celebrations</b>	<b>Restoran Bei Ping Shah Alam</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	-	79 <sup>th</sup> R I District 3300 Conference	Sunway Putra Hotel, KL
18 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	-	Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)	AIMST University, Sg Petani, Kedah
10 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2014	-	45 <sup>th</sup> RI District 3300 Rotaract Conference	Penang
Sat, 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2014	8.00 am	<b>Scholarship &amp; Grants Presentation</b>	<b>SMK (P) Pudu</b>
Sun, 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2014	9.00 am	<b>Visit to Jenjarom Old Folks Home</b>	<b>Jenjarom, Selangor</b>
Sun, 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2014	6.00 pm	<b>District Governor's Visit</b>	<b>Hotel Sentral Pudu</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2014	-	Trip to Northern India organized by the District International Service Committee	-
Sat, 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2014	6.30 pm	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Fireside</b>	<b>PP Datuk Y K Chew's house</b>
Feb 2014	9.00 am	<b>Career Opportunities in the Hospitality Industry - Vocational Service</b>	<b>Berjaya Times Square, KL</b>
Feb 2014	-	<b>Tri-Sister Club Fellowship</b>	<b>Bangkok</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> Feb - 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2014	-	Presidents Elect Training Seminar II	-
25 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2014	-	80 <sup>th</sup> RI District 3300 Assembly	Seremban

### JOINT DISTRICT INTERACT CONFERENCE REPORT

**From:** John Beardsley  
[mailto:john.t.beardsley@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 12 December, 2013 4:27 PM  
**To:** Sandra Anne Raj  
**Subject:** Re: **Interact Conference appreciation of the Organisers**

*Dear President Sandra*

May I report to you, that on Sunday during our RCBS visit to the Interact Conference to Promote our I-QUIZ, we met our 10 sponsored Interactors from three different schools. They had bonded really well into a single team. Their enthusiasm for the events taking place was overwhelming. At the time of our arrival they were practising for a Talent Night with great gusto and passion. They were all clearly enjoying themselves and having a great experience. From conversation with the Interactors it was apparent they were all highly appreciative firstly for our club for sponsoring them and secondly for the organisers, who had organised the program and made the arrangements.

We observed that the Chairlady Judy Chong and her fantastic team, including those of our neighbouring district, were well in tune with the Interactors and their needs; and were doing a brilliant job of motivating the participants. They were also dealing with the challenges and responsibility for large numbers of youngsters for whom it was most likely their first overnight trip away from home with out their parents.

I have asked our Interactors to prepare reports of their experiences at the conference for publication in our Club magazine and on our website

May I humbly request that this very short report is shared with the District, so that efforts of the organisers can be noted. Please note I do not know the organisers personally and met them for the first time on Sunday; but feel it is important when we see other Rotarians from other clubs doing something good we should at least step forward with praise and acknowledgement.

*Kind Regards*  
*Rtn John Beardsley*

## DISTRICT NEWS

### DISTRICT BUILDING FUND — AN EXPLANATION

*To ALL ROTARIANS*

I have been asked these questions several times including at the EGM which approved the purchase with an overwhelming majority.

1. It will be purchased in the name of Rotary International District 3300 Malaysia Berhad, that is in the name of our company.

2. Purchase price is RM 350,000 . This is the same price Which Koperasi Khalsa Malaysia Bhd is paying for their 3 units which were purchased at the same time. The Koperasi Board had bid to buy up all the 4 units and negotiated the price. On my request the Koperasi Board agreed to release it to Rotary without any mark up. None of the Koperasi members including me their President were paid any commission.

3. Benefits are:

- Saving of rental which we are now paying at RM 1300 per month and likely to increase
- Permanent address for the District and permanent storage of our documents, achieves, reports, induction kits, flags, gong, exhibition materials, etc
- Meeting place for Clubs, Rotaractors and Interactors at a token charge
- Possibly a Permanent staff to service the DG and the District

4. Anything which benefits the District helps the clubs, including saving of rental costs.

5. The property is being purchased for our own use. In due course it will rise in value and increase our assets. If for any reason we shift out, the property can be rented out and provide income.

6. It is being purchased directly from the owner at RM 350,000. We will incur a Renovations cost to fit the cost. Expect to spend RM 30,000+ for this.

7. It is being purchased in the name of Rotary. Whoever told you it is not, is ill informed.

8. Purpose has been explained above.

9. The office lot we are purchasing is about 1,200 sq ft.

10. By the way the three units purchased by Koperasi Khalsa in the same Complex have been rented out at RM 1,650 per month. The selling price of units has increased and if we had not paid the 10% deposit, the landlord would have raised the price. My Koperasi had decided to buy up more units but has not been successful as the owners are not prepared to give to us at the same price.

11. I hope I have answered all your questions. All dealings have been done at arms length. I have strong credibility in the Koperasi Khalsa , where I have been the President for over 20 years and have led the Koperasi from a small organisation with RM 100,000 capital to over RM 8 million. This year is going to be our best year and our nett profit is likely to reach a new record.

12. The Khalsa Koperasi is not the only organisation where I have initiated property purchases. I can give many examples including my scientific NGO which purchased a piece of property in Kelana Jaya for RM 440,000 twenty years ago. Today it's value is RM 5 million and we are earning rental income of RM 19,500 per month. Imagine what my Association can do for science with that sort of revenue. This is my dream for all our clubs, but many don't see the light.

13. I hope I have given you enough material to answer those who harbour doubts . (see also page 13.)

*Best regards.*  
*DG*

#### Afternote:

The District Building Fund has reached a figure of RM 265,000 from 52 Rotary clubs. This does show that many Rotarians believe that we are on the right path. As every Rotarian makes his own analysis, this support in my view is nothing short of being FANTASTIC.

*From: KU Rajah To: Alex Chang*  
*Subject: Rotary3300 Building Fund*  
*Date: Wed 11 Dec 2013 11.06 am*

*DG has spoken. So please use this detailed explanation from DG and review the abstained decision taken at your October 2013 BOD meeting.*

*Yours in Rotary Service*  
*AG K. U. Rajah*

## DISTRICT NEWS

**From:** Mansoor Saat <[mansoor\\_saat@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mansoor_saat@yahoo.co.uk)>  
**Sender:** [rotary3300@googlegroups.com](mailto:rotary3300@googlegroups.com)  
**Date:** Thu, 27 Jun 2013 11:00:08 +0100 (BST)  
**To:** RI D3300<[rotary3300@googlegroups.com](mailto:rotary3300@googlegroups.com)>  
**ReplyTo:** [mansoor\\_saat@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mansoor_saat@yahoo.co.uk)  
**Subject:** [rotary3300] **ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY**

*Dear all,*

For your information, the Rotary International District 3300 (Malaysia) Berhad had obtained the mandate from its members for the proposed acquisition of a property identified as follows at the recent EGM on 15th June 2013 at the Lake Club, Kuala Lumpur.

**ORDINARY RESOLUTION**  
**MANDATE FOR ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY**

**RESOLVED THAT** the Company be hereby authorized to approve the acquisition of a property, pursuant to Section 132C of the Companies Act, 1965 identified as **Unit B509, Block B, Kelana Square, 17 Jalan SS 7/26, 47301 Petaling Jaya, Selangor** at a consideration of RM325,000.00 and the Board of Directors be hereby empowered to execute, for and on behalf of the Company, all the relevant and pertinent documents with the common seal affixed, where necessary, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association;

In accordance with Company's Memorandum of Association, the Board is now in the process of making an application to seek the consent of the Minister concerned with the Companies Commission Malaysia, for the Company, before execution of the Sale & Purchase Agreement.

The Board will keep the members informed accordingly.

In the mean time, the Board welcome the generosity of any members who could contribute towards the Building Fund, with cheque made in favour of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 3300 (MALAYSIA) BERHAD.

A listing of all donations of RM1,000 and above, will be displayed permanently in the office.

The Board takes this opportunity to thank all Rotarians for coming forward to make this dream a reality.

The following are the pledges to-date for the District Building Fund:

- |                                    |             |                           |            |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|------------|
| • PDG Dr Ken Khoo                  | - 10 K paid | • PP M. Padmanathan       | - 1 K      |
| • PDG Dato Ir A.P.Perumal          | - 10K paid  | • PP Dato Dr Low Bin Tick | - 1 K      |
| • PDG Dato Ng Jit Thye             | - 10 K      | • PP Rema Paul            | - 1 K      |
| • DGE Datuk Dr Mohinder Singh      | - 2 K       | • Rtn Fong Seow Kai Chuan | - 1 K      |
| • DGND Esther Tan                  | - 2 K       | • PDG Rajindar Singh      | - 1 K      |
| • PP Rick Loh                      | - 2 K       | • PP Siti Subaidah        | - 1 K      |
| • PP Kuppusamy                     | - 1 K       | • PP Teoh Kwan See        | - 1 K      |
| • Ms Shanta Kuppusamy              | - 1 K       | • Pres Keshminder Singh   | - 1 K      |
| • PP Dato Dr Jekinder Singh Gendeh | - 1 K       | • Rotary Club Danau Desa  | - 1 K paid |

This brings the fund to RM 48,000. We invite further contributions and pledges to the fund.

*Regards*  
*Mansoor*



## DISTRICT NEWS

### RYLA 2013—REMINDER

*Dear Presidents, Club Leaders & fellow Rotarians,*  
Further to my email on Monday, the number of registrations for the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) 2013 Training Programme organised by the Rotary Club of Bandar Sungai Petani has picked up slowly. However, we are still short of our target.

I'm appealing to those Clubs who have yet to respond to please consider sending at least two (2) participants. In the event you do not have candidates but would still like to sponsor a few participants, I have around 50 interested candidates who have requested for sponsorship. The Organising Committee has come up with a very interesting programme with many esteemed speakers on a variety of topics for the benefit of the participants. In addition to the talks, there will also be many team building activities that will surely benefit the participants.

**The registration fee remains at RM400.00 per participant.**

For outstation participants, a bus service will be provided from Puduraya to Sungai Petani (9am, 18 December 2013) and back to KL (2pm, 22 December 2013) at a cost of RM80.00 per participant to be paid on the day of travel.

Please do not wait until the last minute to register your participants as it will make the arrangements for t-shirts, accommodation and other things very difficult. I hope that all Rotary Clubs will respond to this appeal. Let's Build Tomorrow's Leaders Today.

Please do contact me at 012-4773949 if you need further details.

Thank you and Best regards,

*Arvind Gopi Kumar*  
President  
Rotary Club of Bandar Sungai Petani



### COUNTDOWN

Packed with interesting, inspiring and motivational speakers, fun games and activities, RYLA 2013 at AIMST promises to be a great event for all participants.

What we have in store for participants :-

1. "Make A Difference" - Professor Dr. Premkumar Rajagopal, Vice Chancellor of AIMST University & honorary member of the Rotary Club of Bandar Sungai Petani
2. "Planning & Management" - President Christopher Pressling of the Rotary Club of Kuala Kangsar (Veteran of the Falklands and 1st Gulf War)
3. "Akido" - Rtn. Ken de Haan of the Rotary Club of Langkawi
4. "Zumba" - Rtn. Hery de Haan of the Rotary Club of Langkawi
5. "Marketplace" - Ms. Rytha Lew, Singapore
6. More to be announced each day with a celebrity beauty queen to attend too...

And we have one more country which will be represented at RYLA 2013 - **Nigeria** to add to participants from Malaysia, Singapore, Myanmar, India, Taiwan, Bangladesh and France.....

*Arvind Gopi Kumar*  
President  
Rotary Club of Bandar Sungai Petani

*Ref pix on the left.*  
AIMST University, would be a great venue for RYLA, with state of the art infrastructure within the modern buildings, sports facilities (flood-lit basketball, football, squash, badminton courts and gym) including an Olympic size swimming pool.

We also have a nature trail and hills to explore. With our line up of speakers and the hands-on activities, we mean to go by the theme of RYLA AIMST 2013 that is "to make a difference" to the RYLARIANS. Any club interested to participate by offering to do a meaningful hands-on activity (that can make a difference) is welcome. We could schedule it on Saturday (21st) evening or we could accommodate it elsewhere by tweaking the tentative schedule. Let us make a difference, positively and we could still do with more participants.....

*Rtn Dr P.K.Rajesh,*  
Rotary Club of Bandar Sungai Petani  
Org Chairman RYLA@AIMST2013

## DISTRICT NEWS

### CHARITY DURIAN GALA FELLOWSHIP

15<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2013

Organised by Rotary Club of Ampang



What are you doing after the District Conference on the 15<sup>th</sup> December afternoon?

“For RM 25.00 – Eat What You Can!” Join us at 3.30pm at Jinjang Main Road (opposite Public Bank Berhad) and let's have Durian Fellowship together.

We are serving Grade A species - Cho' Ke'ok, Tai Par (see picture), D2, D101, and D24; money-back guarantee and not those Kampung durians that you find at Pasar Malam.

The net proceeds will be channeled to **Rotary Club of Mandaluyong**, the Philippines, for their rehabilitation projects for the victims of the recent disastrous Typhoon Haiyan.

To join in this savory fellowship, you need to purchase the RM 25.00 (per person) voucher and EAT WHAT YOU CAN!

So Hurry and come to taste all these five species on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2013, at 3.30 pm to 9.00 pm. And on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2013 from 2.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

Please call Rtn Robin Tay (012 2382389) to purchase the vouchers. Vouchers will also be sold at the District Conference. Vouchers can be used to "Ta Pow" any other species such as Musang King, Red Prawn, Fu Loh, Tai Yuen, Kasar Merah, etc.

Regards  
PP Robin Tay

### MEMBERSHIP—MY THOUGHTS

By PP Bindi Rajasegaran

*Dear fellow Rotarians,*

I am just back from the Taipei Institute — being my 6th institute — I am recharged, refreshed and motivated after listening to our Rotary leaders (past, present and future.) It is not usual to have such a congregation of so many Rotary leaders all in one venue outside the International Convention.

We were fortunate to listen to Past RI Presidents, President Ron Burton, Incoming President Gary Huang and President Nominee Ravi. The highlight for me was the address by PRIP Bitchai Rattakul, who gave a very moving address and was very frank about certain issues. He received a double standing ovation!

I attended the workshop on membership and it has prompted me to share my thoughts on membership. They worldwide membership had recently dropped from 1.2 to 1.18 million but now has bounced back to 1.2 million or thereabout. At most workshops on membership at international level, I find that the speakers tend to mention a 3-year or 5-year plan starting with the DG, DGE and DGN. Year in and year out I hear this. I wonder when the 3-year plan will begin and what the plan is!

I have been following our membership trends for the last 10 years and I put on record my findings and suggestions which may not be practical or acceptable but nevertheless ... I do hope there will be a healthy discourse on this subject. I believe that clubs should be aware of where they stand in the international scene, where they stand in our Zone and more specifically where they stand in our District. Each club should have their own achievable target.

The membership 10 years ago in 2004 was 1,650, now 10 years later we are much worse off at 1,630. This raises a lot of questions about our membership plans and programs...

*Note: This is a long write-up. To read more please go to her email on the District Googlegroup dated December 11, 2013.*



## RI NEWS

### COUNCIL APPROVES DUES INCREASE, UNLIMITED E-CLUBS

**R**epresentatives from Rotary's 532 districts met in downtown Chicago 21-26 April, approving a number of measures designed to strengthen Rotary, increase membership, and enhance the organization's capacity to serve.

The Council on Legislation meets every three years to consider changes to the policies that govern Rotary International and its member clubs. This year's Council accepted an increase of US\$1 per year in per capita dues, removed limits on e-clubs, permitted satellite clubs, and changed the name of the fifth Avenue of Service to "Youth Service."

The dues increase means Rotary clubs will pay Rotary International annual per capita dues of \$54 in 2014-15, \$55 in 2015-16, and \$56 in 2016-17. Dues for 2013-14 had already been set to \$53.

The RI Board of Directors proposed the increase based on a five-year financial forecast that projected that Rotary's spending would exceed revenues by \$9 million in 2018 if there were no increase. The result would be a drop in the General Surplus Fund below the level required by the RI Bylaws.

With the increase, spending is projected to exceed revenue by about \$5 million in 2018, according to the forecast, which keeps the surplus fund above the mandated level. Supporters said the increase would be sufficient to keep pace with inflation without necessitating cutbacks in service. Dues are the primary source of funding for Rotary's operations.

During the week, the 2013 Council considered more than 170 enactments and resolutions proposed by Rotary clubs, districts, or the RI Board.

"It has been a pleasure for me to serve you as chair and work with you this week on the legislation before the 2013 Council on Legislation," Council Chair John Germ said. "You have come with energy and thoughtfulness, and you have represented your districts well." Council Representative William Pollard from Virginia, USA, noted that the representatives were united in a desire to make Rotary a stronger and better organization.

"Rotarians have different viewpoints on various issues and topics, and this is good for Rotary," he said. "I quickly learned that some items that might not be im-

portant to my district might be very important to a district in another country."

Among other actions during the week, representatives:

- Allowed districts to have more than two e-clubs. The 2010 Council made e-clubs, which meet electronically, a permanent part of Rotary. Proponents argued removing the limit will bring in new members and will appeal particularly to young professionals, who may be less able to meet in person weekly.
- Approved satellite clubs, whose members meet at a different time and location from their parent club but are still considered members of the parent club. The measure is intended to make it easier for members to develop the core for a new club.
- Increased the number of clubs that can take part in pilot projects from 200 to 1,000. The RI Board uses these pilots, which last for up to six years, to test new ideas, methods, and organizational frameworks for clubs. Pilot clubs that participate in these experiments are fully functioning Rotary clubs but are exempt from some requirements of the Standard Rotary Club Constitution.
- Approved changing the name of Rotary's Fifth Avenue of Service, currently called "New Generations Service," to "Youth Service." The 2010 Council approved this Avenue of Service for youth, which joined the already established Club Service, Vocational Service, Community Service, and International Service. The name "New Generations" was meant to reflect the need to build the next generation of Rotarians, but proponents of the name change argued Wednesday that the word "youth" is more universally understood, both inside and outside Rotary, and clarifies the fact that these programs encourage Rotarians to empower youth.
- Approved a measure allowing participation in club projects to count toward club attendance requirements. The measure amends the Standard Rotary Club Constitution to require that a member attend or make up at least 50 percent of regular club meetings or engage in club projects for at least 12 hours in each half of the year, or a combination of both.
- Approved a measure allowing Rotarians outside the United States and Canada to receive an electronic edition of their official regional Rotary magazine, *(cont'd overleaf)*



## RI NEWS

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if one is available. Rotarians within the United States and Canada were given the option of receiving a [digital version of The Rotarian](#) by the 2010 Council.

- Approved a measure creating the office of vice governor, who would act as a substitute if the governor became unable to serve. The vice governor would be selected by the district's nominating committee from among the district's past governors.
- Removed the travel reimbursement policy from the RI Bylaws. This will enable the RI Board of Directors to develop a policy that is flexible, able to address emergency travel situations, and able to take advantage of cost-saving opportunities.
- Defeated two measures affecting Rotaract, Rotary-sponsored service clubs for men and women ages 18 to 30. The Council rejected raising the age limit to 35, arguing that the older members would have little in common with 18-year-olds. They also argued Rotarians should reach out to include Rotaractors who are reaching the age limit in their Rotary clubs. They rejected establishing lower dues for Rotaractors who want to join Rotary, partly because Rotaract membership records have not been collected by RI.

Douglas Vincent, a representative from Ontario, Canada, said he was a little disappointed the Council didn't adopt more changes, but feels the process serves a valuable function.

"Rotarians are the people who drive the organization," Vincent said. "It's important that representatives from the clubs, in a grassroots fashion, direct the policies and rules that govern Rotary International."

*By Arnold R. Grahl*

*Rotary News*

*30-APR-2013*



Delegates consider changes to the rules that govern Rotary during the 2013 Council on Legislation

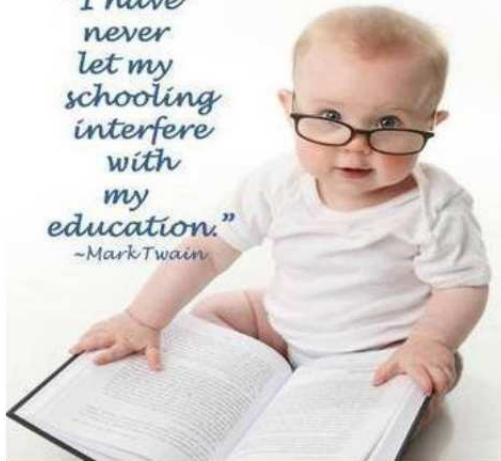
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## THOTS FOR THE WEEK

Life is like a Camera.  
Just focus on what's important  
and capture the good times, develop  
from the negatives and if things  
don't turn out,  
Just take  
another  
shot.




"I have  
never  
let my  
schooling  
interfere  
with  
my  
education."  
~Mark Twain



USE YOUR SMILE TO  
CHANGE THIS WORLD,  
BUT DON'T LET  
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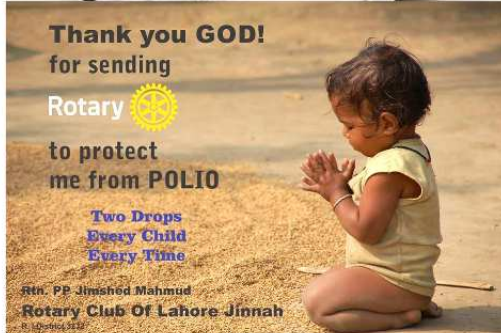
Thank you GOD!  
for sending

Rotary 

to protect  
me from POLIO

Two Drops  
Every Child  
Every Time

Rtn. PP Jinnah Mahmud  
Rotary Club Of Lahore Jinnah



We can't help everyone, but  
everyone can help someone.  
- Ronald Reagan



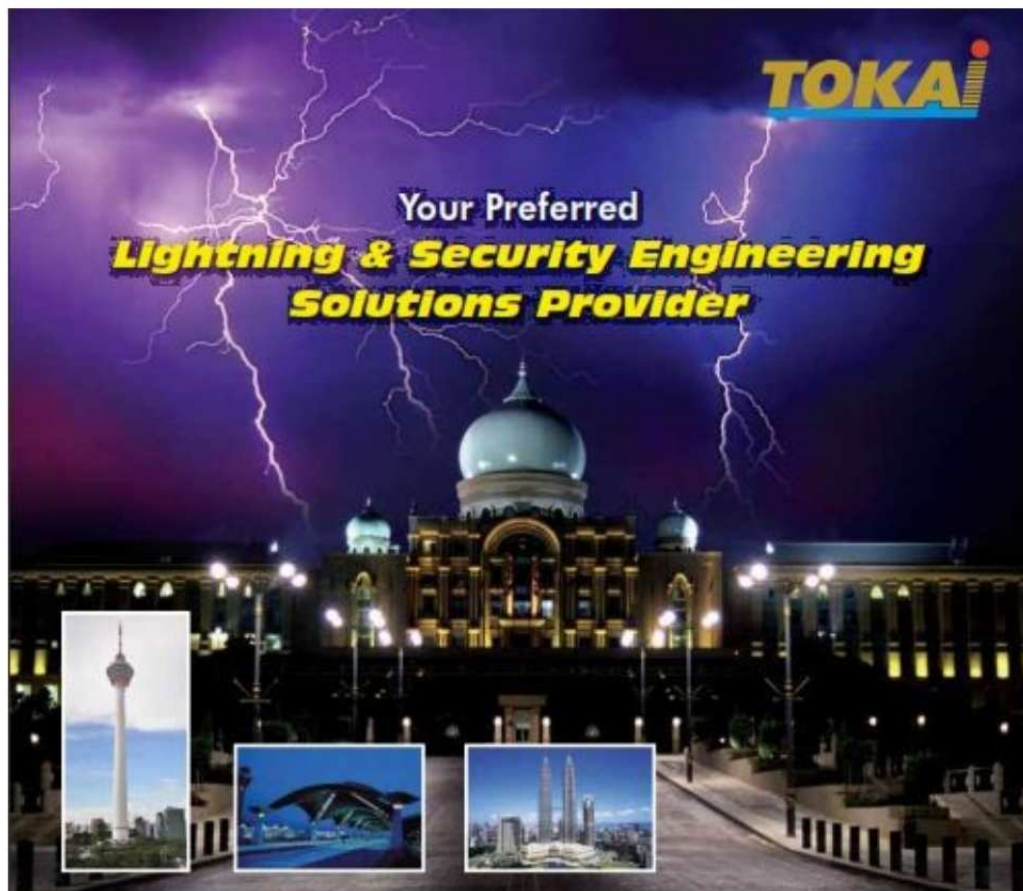


## IRISH MEDICAL DICTIONARY




Medical Term	Irish Definition
Artery	- The study of paintings
Bacteria	- Back door to cafeteria
Barium	- What doctors do when patients die
Benign	- What you be, after you be eight
Caesarean Section	- A neighbourhood in Rome
Cat scan	- Searching for Kitty
Cauterize	- Made eye contact with her
Colic	- A sheep dog
Coma	- A punctuation mark
Dilate	- To live long
Enema	- Not a friend
Fester	- Quicker than someone else
Fibula	- A small lie
Impotent	- Distinguished, well known
Labour Pain	- Getting hurt at work
Medical Staff	- A Doctor's cane
Morbid	- A higher offer
Nitrates	- Rates of Pay for Working at Night, Normally more money than Days
Node	- I knew it
Outpatient	- A person who has fainted
Pelvis	- Second cousin to Elvis
Post Operative	- A letter carrier
Recovery Room	- Place to do upholstery
Rectum	- Nearly killed him
Secretion	- Hiding something
Seizure	- Roman Emperor
Tablet	- A small table
Terminal Illness	- Getting sick at the airport
Tumour	- One plus one more
Urine	- Opposite of you're out





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