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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: VP C T Heng Fellowship: Rtn Veronique Pearcey Finemaster: PP Mike Yeow Introducing: PP Tai Chin Peow Thanking: PDG K B Lee

Rotarians' Birthdays (March)

01st - PP Leong Choy Ying 07th - PP Dato' Dr Lee Hoo Teong 11th - Rtn Chinniah Arumanadan 12th - PP Richard Liew

PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK

Speaker: TBA Subject: TBA

JOINT MEETING WITH RC CHERAS

On Duty

Spouses Birthdays (March)

03rd – Ann Veronica (Rtn Robert Tan) 13th – Ann Siew Kien (Rtn Roy Sreenivasan) 17th – Ann Raja Azma (PP Dato' Muslim Ayob)

22nd – Ann Evelyn (PP K H Low)

Wedding Anniversaries (March)

02nd – Rtn Steven Ho and Ann Fanny 09th – PP Phang Poke Shum and Ann Carol 10th – PP Datuk Y K Chew and Ann Adeline 17th – Rtn Chinniah and Ann Chantra 30th – Rtn Jeffrey Yap and Ann Catherine Foo

CLUB DIARY OF EVENTS - MARCH 2014

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
Sat, 1st Mar	10.00 am	International Understanding Day	SMK Sri Sentosa
Sat, 1st Mar	3.00 pm	Rotaract Board of Directors Meeting	Elilal Restaurant,KL
Mon, 3 rd Mar	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Hotel Sentral Pudu
Tue, 4 th Mar	6.30 pm	Incoming Club Service Committee Meeting	Residence of Rtn Jeff Yap
Wed, 5 th Mar	6.00 pm	Fund Raising Committee Meeting	Crystal Palm Seafood
Wed, 5 th Mar	7.00 pm	48 th Installation Committee Meeting	Crystal Palm Seafood
Thurs, 6 th Mar	6.30 pm	Outgoing Membership Development Meeting	President Alex's Office
Thurs, 6th Mar	7.30 pm	Outgoing Club Service Committee Meeting	President Alex's Office
8 th -11 th Mar 2014		Tri Sister Clubs Fellowship	Bangkok
Mon, 10 th Mar	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 11 th Mar	6.30 pm	Incoming Youth Service Committee Meeting	Bukit Kiara Club
Wed, 12 th Mar	6.30 pm	Outgoing Youth Service Committee Meeting	Bukit Kiara Club
Wed, 12 th Mar	7.30 pm	Outgoing/Incoming Community Service Comm	Bukit Kiara Club
Mon, 17 th Mar	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 18 th Mar	6.30 pm	Incoming International Service Comm Meeting	Selangor Club, Bkt Kiara
Wed, 19 th Mar	6.30 pm	Outgoing/Incoming Vocational Service Mtg	Bukit Kiara Club
Wed, 19 th Mar	7.30 pm	Outgoing International Service Comm Meeting	Bukit Kiara Club
Sun, 23 rd Mar	8.00 am	Interact Leadership Training Seminar (ILTS)	SMK Methodist, KL
Mon, 24 th Mar		Weekly Meeting postponed to 26 th March 2014	
Tue, 25 th Mar	6.30 pm	Incoming Board of Directors Meeting	Bukit Kiara Club
Wed, 26 th Mar	6.30 pm	Weekly Meeting / Joint Meeting with RC	Bankers Club, KL
al.		Cheras	
Thurs, 27 th Mar	6.30 pm	Outgoing Board of Directors Meeting	President Alex's Office
Sat, 29th Mar	9.00 am	Career Opportunities in the Hospitality In-	Berjaya University Col-
		dustry - Vocational Service	lege of Hospitality, KL
Mon, 31st Mar	6.30 pm	Weekly Meeting / Joint Meeting with RC	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
		Damansara, RC Kelana Jaya and RC Titi-	
		wangsa	

EDITORIAL

teacher in New York decided to honour each of her seniors in high school by telling them the difference they each made. Using a process developed by Helice Bridges of Del Mar, California, she called each student to the front of the class, one at a time. First she told them how the student made a difference to her and the class. Then she presented each of them with a blue ribbon imprinted with gold letters which read, "Who I Am Makes A Difference."

Afterwards the teacher decided to do a class project to see what kind of impact recognition would have on a community. She gave each of the students three more ribbons and instructed them to go out and spread this acknowledgment ceremony. Then they were to follow up on the results, see who honoured whom and report back to the class in about a week.

One of the boys in the class went to a junior executive in a nearby company and honoured him for helping him with his career planning. He gave him a blue ribbon and put it on his shirt. Then he gave him two extra ribbons, and said, "We're doing a class project on recognition, and we'd like you to go out, find somebody to honour, give them a blue ribbon, then give them the extra blue ribbon so they can acknowledge a third person to keep this acknowledgment ceremony going. Then please report back to me and tell me what happened."

Later that day the junior executive went in to see his boss, who had been noted, by the way, as being kind of a grouchy fellow. He sat his boss down and he told him that he deeply admired him for being a creative genius. The boss seemed very surprised. The junior executive asked him if he would accept the gift of the blue ribbon and would he give him permission to put it on him. His surprised boss said, "Well, sure." The junior executive took the blue ribbon and placed it right on his boss's jacket above his heart. As he gave him the last extra ribbon, he said, "Would you do me a favour? Would you take this extra ribbon and pass it on by honouring somebody else? The young boy who first gave me the ribbons is doing a project in school and we want to keep this recognition ceremony going and find out how it affects people."

That night the boss came home to his 14-year-old son and sat him down. He said, "The most incredible thing happened to me today. I was in my office and one of the junior executives came in and told me he admired me and gave me a blue ribbon for being a creative genius. Imagine. He thinks I'm a creative genius." Then he put this blue ribbon that says "Who I Am Makes A Difference" on my jacket above my heart. He gave me an extra ribbon and asked me to find somebody else to honour.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Your attitude is like a box of crayons that colour your world. Constantly colour your picture grey, and your picture will always be bleak. Try adding some bright colours to the picture by including humour, and your picture begins to lighten up."

— Allen Klein

any think about what is not possible, what is limiting them, what cannot be done.

There was a young lawyer who published his first book about litigation shortly after 30, which sold for close to RM 400 per copy. It was sold out and a second edition was published and priced a little shy of RM 500. He told me that very often he receives much advice from some lawyers who are senior in age but have not much clue about publishing books or litigation telling him about law and litigation... That really amuses him... These seniors can really think 'outside' their boxes

In Rotary we must always think out of the box. Recently we carried out a Tri Club International Fellowship involving RC Dhonburi, RC Singapore West and ourselves. The idea was hatched shortly after the installation of the Board of Directors in June/ July 2013 of the respective clubs. A question was posted, "Would it not be a good idea that we have a project every year carried out by one of the three clubs which will be participated by the other two clubs?" The idea was a resounding success...

So the three clubs congregated in March for fellowship and to celebrate the successful launching of their project which provided short training courses in Thai massage, spa massage, cosmetology and some basic oriental fast food preparations at one of Thailand's best women prison. Upon completion of the courses, the participants were awarded certificates from our three clubs, which should be very beneficial in helping them to find employment and starting new lives.

Over the last weekend members of the three clubs had great fellowship, sumptuous Thai food and warm Thai hospitality...

Today, to exemplify the concept about 'Thinking Out of the Box' we thank you PP Tan Sri Soong — our very own charter member — to share with us the idea of 'Planting Vegetables in an Urban Setting.'

Alex Chang President RY 2013-14

PUDU NEWS

Record of Meeting on: 10th March 2014

Guest Speakers: Rtc Kelvin Nair and Rtc Erwin Lee Subject: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

Visiting Rotarians

Name	Club
Guests	
Mr William Tan	Rtn Tenny Lee
Mr Y Y Tan	Rtn Tenny Lee
Mr Faizal	Rtn Steven Ho
Ms Tina Wong	PP Mike Tung
Rtc Kelvin Nair	Club
Rtc Erwin Lee	Club

Club

Statistics

Guests	7
Visiting Rotarians	-
Club Members	20
Total Present	27

Collections:

Birthdays/Anniv/Fines	50.00
Paying Diners	120.00
Raffles & Others	60.00
Total (RM)	230.00

CLUB PROCEEDINGS

Ms Liew

Sgt-At-Arms Rtn Tenny Lee called the meeting to order at 1.20 pm on behalf of Acting President Heng. She welcomed all Visiting Rotarians and Guests. She then led in the singing of the National Anthem and then proposed the Loyal Toast.

PP Gary Lim was the fine master.

- He fined all members seated at the high table RM 1 each namely SAA Tenny, Acting President Heng and Acting Secretary Roy.
- Owing to the poor lunch attendance Acting President Heng was fined RM 1.
- PE Daisy was fined RM 2 for coming exactly at 1 pm.
- Members coming after 1 pm were fined RM 1 each namely PP Tai, Rtn Asok, Rtn Roy and PP Mike Yeow.
- Rtn Patrick was fined RM 2 for updating the PRC and PRCCF accounts.
- PP Richard and Rtn Jeffrey were fined RM 1 for a 30 minutes discussion at the foyer.
- Rotarians seated at the last table were fined RM 1 each namely Rtn Veronique, PE Daisy and Rtn Mok
- Rtn Mike Yeow and Rtn Roy were fined RM 5 for returning from Thailand.
- PP Phang was fined RM 5 for his wedding anniversary.
- Rtn Roy was fined RM RM 5 for his Ann Siew Kien's birthday.
- PP Richard was fined RM 10 for his birthday celebration

ACTING PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1) The Incoming Youth Service Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11th March 2014 at the Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club at 6.30 pm.
- 2) The Outgoing Youth Service Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 12th March 2014 at the Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club at 6.30 pm.
- 3) The Outgoing and Incoming Community Service Committee Meetings will be held on Wednesday, 12th March 2014 at the Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club at 7.00 pm and 7.30 pm respectively.

INTRODUCING THE SPEAKERS

Rtn Sarkunan introduced the guest speakers Rtc Kelvin Nair and Rtc Erwin Lee who presented a talk on the subject "Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)."

THANKING THE SPEAKERS

Rtn Veronique thanked Rtc Kelvin Nair and Rtc Erwin Lee for a very educational and interesting presentation. She hoped that Rtc Kelvin and Rtc Erwin have benefitted from the various lectures on personal and leadership development during RYLA and will now share their experiences with other members of the Rotaract Club of Pudu.

She then presented mementos to Rtc Kelvin and Rtc Erwin.

SPEAKER'S CV

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

NAME : KELVIN NAIR A/L ASOKAN AGE : 18 YEARS DATE OF BIRTH : 13TH FEB 1995 NATIONALITY : MALAYSIAN I.C NUMBER : 950213-14-6177 GENDER : MALE

GENDER : MALE PERMANENT RESIDENCE : No 3, JALAN 2/3, TAMAN JUARA JAYA, BALAKONG

43300 SELANGOR

MOBILE NUMBER : 017-6992536 EMAIL : <u>KELVIN.NAIR@GMAIL.COM</u>

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

NAME : ERWIN LEE KI FENG AGE : 19 YEARS DATE OF BIRTH : 3RD AUGUST 1995 NATIONALITY : MALAYSIAN I.C NUMBER : 950803-14-6687 GENDER : MALE

PERMANENT RESIDENCE: 59-8-7,

Pangsaria, Taman Desa Petaling, 57100 Kuala

Lumpur

MOBILE NUMBER: 017-3761856 EMAIL: erwinlee.02@gmail.com

EDUCATION AND CAREER OBJECTIVE

I am currently doing my Foundation in Computing and Informatics at Multimedia University (Cyberjaya.) Currently I wish to continue my degree with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science specialising in Software Engineering.

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I am currently doing my STPM in VICTORIA INSTITUTION. In Future, I wish to continue my degree with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management in a famous local university.

PERSONAL STRENGTHS

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- Self-motivated
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- Time management skills
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SPEAKER'S TEXT

















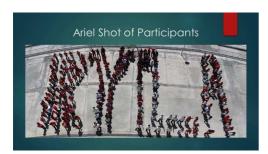
SPEAKER'S TEXT

















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CLUB MEETING ON 10 MARCH 2014







SAA Rtn Tenny Lee doing her thing



PP Gary Lim — the Finemaster



Speakers Rtc Kelvin Nair & Rtc Erwin Lee



PP Richard Liew & Rtn Roy Sreenivasan



L to R: PP Phng, PE Daisy Chiu, Rtn Robert Tan

CLUB MEETING ON 10 MARCH 2014



Rtn Sarky introduced the Speakers



Attentive audience



Presenter — Rtc Kelvin Nair



Rtc Erwin Lee — in charge of the PC Notebook



Rtn Veronique thanking the Rotaractors



A memento to the Rotaractors and Raffle winner

TRI-SISTER CLUB FELLOWSHIP













EDITOR'S NOTE

This Tri-Sister Club Fellowship between RC Dhonburi, RC Singapore-West and our Club was held in Bangkok over the weekend March 8-9, 2014. From our Club, President Alex Chang, AG KU Rajah, Hon Sec Laura Lee, Vocational Service Director Sandy Soh and International Service Director Roy Sreevinasan attended.

CLUB & DISTRICT DIARY OF EVENTS - FUTURE

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
Sun, 23 rd Mar '14 Sat, 29 th Mar 2014 25 th –27 th April '14 Sat,3 rd May 2014	8.00 am 9.00 am	Interact Leadership Training Seminar Career Opportunities in the Hospitality Industry - Vocational Service 80 th R I District 3300 Assembly R C Pudu Charity Premiere 'Spiderman 2'	SMK Methodist, KL Berjaya University Col- lege, KL Royal Bintang Resort & Spa, Seremban GSC Pavilion, KL
Fri,23 rd May 2014 Sun, 22 nd June '14 21 st – 23 rd Nov '14	2.30 pm 7.00 pm	Rotarian/Teacher Advisors High Tea R C Pudu 48 th Installation Night 2014 Kota Kinabalu Rotary Institute	Shangri la Hotel, KL Shangri la Hotel, KL Sutera Harbour Resort & Spa, Kota Kinabalu.

INVITATION



MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT

Those interested in attending please give your names to Roy or me.

Programme:

March 21: Sumptuous Cantonese lunch hosted by DGE Belinda. Luxurious Sunset cruise and seafood at the Lamma Island.

March 22: Anniversary Dinner at Regal Hotel.

March 23: Cable car 360 ride to visit the Big Buddha on Lantau Island.

EDITORIAL

(Editorial — Cont'd from page 3)

As I was driving home tonight, I started thinking about whom I would honour with this ribbon and I thought about you. I want to honour you. "My days are really hectic and when I come home I don't pay a lot of attention to you. Sometimes I scream at you for not getting good enough grades in school and for your bedroom being a mess, but somehow tonight, I just wanted to sit here and, well, just let you know that you do make a difference to me. Besides your mother, you are the most important person in my life. You're a great kid and I love you!'

The startled boy started to sob and sob, and he couldn't stop crying. His whole body shook. He looked up at his father and said through his tears, "I was planning on committing suicide tomorrow, Dad, because I didn't think you loved me. Now I don't need to.'

Perhaps you would like to honour someone today. You will never know what kind of difference a little encouragement can make to a person until and unless you do it.

Warmest Regards. PP Mike Tung

RE: [rotary3300] Dhanvanthri makes a difference and how!

rotary3300@googlegroups.com on behalf of Darul Abdullah <darul1351@hotmail.com>

Sent: Tue 11/3/2014 12:04 PM

To: drpaulcklee@gmail.com; rotary3300@googlegroups.com; PP Michael Tung 2; oziland2@yahoo.com

Dear PDG Paul and my Fellow Rotarians

It gives me great pleasure and honour to inform you that about 13 Clubs from our District are involved with Dhanvanthri and will be contributing towards this project to provide artificial limbs to the needy in Sri Lanka.

Project-' Leg for Legless'

To provide artificial limbs to legless war victims in Sri Lanka. This project has been declared by our District Governor as a District level project and carried out by three Districts-D3230,D3220,and D3300. This project is part of Dhanvanthri's efforts with the reconstruction of war-ravaged Mullaithivu and socio-economic development of Kilinochi, Jaffna and other affected areas. We were informed that there are more than thousand such victims over there.

However we have raised so far about USD 15000/-for 100 limbs

Organising Committee

Lead brilliantly by PP Magandran of RC Bandar Sunway, the team consists of President Datin Sandra (RC Bandar Sunway), President Dr Parthepan and PP Puspa from RC Greater KL, PP Sudhaharan, President Sunthar Raj and myself from RC Melawati.

Project date-20th-26th March2014

A delegation of about 28 inclusive of Rotarians, Spouses and Friends will be going to Sri Lanka on 20th-26th March.

History

A group of us from RC Bandar Sunway, RC Greater KL, and RC Melawati initiated this project in September 2013. Our Sister club RC Madras Midtown contacted us and shared with us the need for assistance for the war victims and we shared it with the clubs concerned and we decided to immediately commence on this project. PDG Sampath of D3230 had initiated this project and their whole District is committed to revive these 2 villages. As we went along many other clubs and individuals moved by the needs decided to join us and treat this as an International project.

Today, we have 13 clubs and a few individuals and other NGOs partnering us to provide the limbs.

Apart from RC Bandar Sunway, RC Greater KL and RC Melawati we have the following clubs:

- RC Bandar Sg Petani
- RC Taiping
- RC Damansara
- RC Central Damansara
- RC KL Diraja
- RC Bukit Komanvel
- RC Klang Central
- RC Temerloh
- RC KL West-PE Thaya
- RC Pantai Valley
- Inner Wheel Club of Selangor
- PP M Mahendran (RC Taiping)
- Rtn Mahes (RC Bandar Sunway)
- Rtn Ambika (RC Greater KL)
- From RC Temerloh
- Rtn Alexander Loh
- Rtn Chew Heng Yeng
- Rtn Dato' Hiang A li
- Rtn Dato Ramachelvam
- Rtn Kelly Tay Peck Kian
- Rtn Lam Fu Fah
- Rtn Yap Yee Chang
- FOMSO (NGO)
- CFINS (INGO)
- Rotary Club Capital City (D3220-Sri Lanka)

We want to thank all clubs and our District Governor for all the support rendered for this project. Please pray with us for a smooth implementation of this project involving more than 3 Districts.

IN THIS PROJECT WE ARE JUST NOT GIVING 'LEGS' FOR THE VICTIMS BUT THEIR DIGNITY

Thank you and best regards, PP Darul Abdullah District Chair Community Service (2013-14)

[rotary3300] Newspaper clip of District 3300 Rotary Friendship Exchange team to Dist 3040 (India)

rotary3300@googlegroups.com on behalf of Baskaran Syamala <swe_tha@hotmail.com>

Sent: Thu 13/3/2014 2:04 PM

rotary district; rema paul greater KL

Dear friends

A newspaper clip with the coverage given to our Rotary friendship exchange (RFE) team to District 3040, India .

Our RFE team led by AG Rema Paul was in India for 10 days from late Nov to early December 2013.

Baskaran



[rotary3300] Group 8 Intercity Meeting on 17th March.

rotary3300@googlegroups.com on behalf of LTT Global Consultants <siva.dr@gmail.com>

Sent: Thu 13/3/2014 4:37 PM

To: RI D3300

My dear Rotarians

Group 8 Rotary Clubs are having an Intercity Meeting on Monday 17th March in the Card Room, Royal Selangor Club, Dataran Merdeka at 7pm.

There will be a very interesting panel discussion with the topic: D3300 - THE WAY FORWARD moderated by PP Bindi Rajasegaran. Panellists include PDG Dato' Jimmy Lim Thaw Chay, PDG Dato' Haji Mustapha Ma, PP Karthi Palanisamy and myself.

Should make for an interesting evening. The dinner is at RM40 only per person.

If you want to join in the discussion contact AG Rema Paul at 0123887139. Look forward to seeing you.

Dato' Dr Siva Ananthan.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.



[rotary3300] Fwd: 2014 D3300 TRF Endowment fund

rotary3300@googlegroups.com on behalf of JIMMY LIM THAW CHAY < jimmylim3300@gmail.com

Sent: Thu 13/3/2014 5:28 PM

To: rotarians

Dear D3300 Rotarians

As we approach the 2013-14 Year end, its time to renew our call to D 3300 Rotarians to subscribe to the above section of the TRF which is the **Permanent Fund**.

Rotarians will recall that all donations to the annual giving fund is given away as soon as they arrive at Evanston but funds donated to the permanent fund stays in the name of the district and the net earnings are sent back to our district perpetually.

D3300 have raised so far more then usd267,665.00 through the funds below. The same records will be listed in the district website permanently with Major Donors list. The minimum is USD 500.

D3300 (2010/11) Education Endowment Fund	USD 29,500.00
D3300 (2010/11) Humanitarian Endowment Fund	USD 29,500.00
D3300 (2011/12 - Ravee) Endowment Fund	USD 44,354.00
D3300 (2012/13 - Mansoor) Endowment Fund	USD 114,311.00
Dato' Jimmy & Brenda Lim Community Fund	USD 25,000.00
K B Lee Endowment Fund	USD 25,000.00
Total	USD 267,665.00

To donate, please download the TRF contribution form by typing "TRF contribution form" from googles.DO NOT send directly but send or email or fax the forms to me at 0321668001.

I will send the collected forms in one batch

With the change in grants structure, Rotarians now have greater flexibility to give either to Annual Giving or Permanent funds. The TRF chair in your club has been trained to help explain the differences.

Please call me to go to your club for a talk if you need more info

PDG JimmyTC Lim

".. I cant understand why people are wary of new ideas.... I am frightened of old ones"

On Mon, Mar 10, 2014 at 12:12 AM, Baskaran Syamala <swe tha@hotmail.com> wrote:

RE: DISTRICT 3330 CONFERENCE

Dear friends,

The District Conference of District 3330, Thailand, was held from 7th to 9th March at Surat Thani, Thailand. Five Rotarians from our District lead by PP Jagjit Singh, the Malaysia-Thailand Inter-Country Committee chairman accompanied by AG Paul Selvaratnam and yours truly PP Baskaran (Butterworth), PP Aikky Tan and PP Low Teik Chooi (RC Tanjung Bungah) and PP Tiffany Tan (Titiwangsa) attended the Conference.

The conference was very well attended by about 500 Rotarians from 97 clubs. The District Governor, Dr Sanguan, is a familiar figure to most of us and had attended some of our conferences and Assemblies over the last few years. There were some observations that I made about their Conference and I thought I should share some of these with you, which you may find interesting.

- The first is the date itself. While we have our Conferences in December, theirs are held in March.
- The presentation of District Awards and TRF awards are held along with the Conference. This is unlike our District where we have these separately.
- The first night(Friday) is allocated for the District and TRF awards unlike us, where we allocate it for fellowship. Dress code is formal.
- The Saturday sessions are about the same, except that
 there are sessions of 30 minutes each given to District
 chairs of Club Admin, Publicity, Membership, TRF
 and Service to present their reports. The other speeches are limited to one by the Governor and two by the
 personal representative of the RI president.
- The Saturday night is a fellowship dinner unlike us and dress code is informal. The fellowship dinner attracted 800 Rotarians, Anns and their family. It is one of the best fellowship dinners that I have ever attended with active participation of the Rotarians themselves in the various performances.
- The Sunday program follows that of our District with the same problem of poor attendance in comparison to the previous days.

There were some other interesting things that I found worth sharing:

IYEProgramme

The success of the long term International Youth Exchange program in District 3330 and the other three Districts in Thailand. We were introduced to 30 odd IYE students who impressed us with their performance and the fluency of the Thai language when they sang; and when given a chance to speak to the audience. They come from countries far and wide and I must confess that the Thais are far ahead of us in this program. At any given time, there are at least 150 IYE students participating in this program in the four Districts in Thailand.

Joint District Conference

The next District conference (2015) will be held in Bangkok will be a joint District Conference of all the four Districts in Thailand. There is a strong sentiment that all the Districts that came under the old District 330 meet under one roof for at least one conference and this could be the result of that. The other Districts (in Malaysia) that came under the earlier District 330 were our District 3300 and 3310

Inter-Country Rela onship

We are in an unique position as far as our relationship with the Thais are concerned. We remain the only District so far to have an Inter-Country Committee relationship with Thailand while bigger Districts and countries like Japan, Taiwan and Korea have only a friendship agreement. The Thais place great importance to this relationship and this could be seen in the welcome we received. This relationship is a tribute to the painstaking work done by our Inter Country Committee chair, PP Jagiit Singh over the last few years. There is tremendous scope for furthering this relationship to an even higher and meaningful level in the years to come. In fact, there are already 23 sister club agreements in existence between clubs from the two Districts which speak volumes for the possibility of even better things to come.

The poor attendance from our District for their Conference does not reflect well on our special relationship and the presence of just five of us, is to say in the least, was utterly disappointing. Let us make an effort to make this relationship stronger, meaningful and mutually beneficial. It is all in our hands!!

Regards Baskaran

RI NEWS



Rotarians, Raise Your Flag and Climb for a Cause - "End Polio Now"

In collaboration with Rotary International we are inviting Rotarians to Climb for a Cause - End Polio Now in 2014. Come together to climb the Bridge *en masse* to break two Bridge records during the Rotary International Convention Sydney 2014.

For every Rotarian who books a climb as part of Climb for a Cause – End Polio Now, BridgeClimb will donate 50% of sales back to End Polio Now.

Firstly, we aim to break the current Guinness World Record for "most flags flown on a bridge" which was set in 2008. Selected Rotarian's who climb the Bridge as part of this event will wave a flag of one of the 208 countries and territories attending the convention in a grand display across the arch of one of Sydney's famous icons.

Secondly, we aim to break the record for the highest number of climbers on the Sydney Harbour Bridge at one time. Oprah Winfrey set this record with 316 of her Ultimate Viewers in 2008.

"End Polio Now" is Rotary's global campaign to end polio forever.

Prices: Adult: A\$ 248 Child: A\$ 168

- Rates are valid from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2015 (excluding 25 December 2014 to 4 January 2015 when peak rates apply).
- Rates are per person and in Australian Dollars (including GST.)

Climb rates and periods are subject to change at the discretion of BridgeClimb.

Things You Need To Know:

- The Rotary Special Event Climb is a 3.5 4 hour experience.
- Reservations are non-refundable, and for a specific date and time.
- The Rotary Special Event Climb is a non-standard BridgeClimb experience.
- Climbers for the Rotary Special Event Climb will be required to wait up to 30 minutes on the Bridge for the media event
- Climbers may be allocated different Climb times to their confirmation on arrival at BridgeClimb
- Please arrive at 3 Cumberland Street, The Rocks, 15 minutes before your Climb time.
- Climbs cannot be held for late arrivals.
- To find out more about our Health & Safety Essentials before you climb, please check out our <u>Pre-Climb Checklist</u>.
- This history-making climb is due to take place on Friday 30 May commencing at 8am.
- To find out more, please contact our team on (02) 8274 7772.

THOTS FOR THE WEEK

Lifeislikeajourney on atrain...
with its stations...
with changes of routes...
and with accidents!

At birth webcarded the train and met our parents, and webdieve they will always travel on our side

However, at some station our perents will step down from the train, leaving us on this journey at one

Astimegossby, other people will board the train; and they will be significant i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and even the love of our life.

M any will step down and leave a permanent vacuum.
Otherswill gosounn diced that we don't realize that they vacated their seats!

Thistrain ridewill befull of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expatations, helios, good-byes, and farewells

Successorsists of having a good relationship with all passengers... requiring that we give the best of our selves

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So, we must live in the best way - for give, and offer the best of who we are

It is important to do this because when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty... we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life

Haveavery pleasant journey of life......!

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Lost or Not?

Abe and Esther are flying to Australia for a two-week vacation to celebrate their 40th anniversary. Suddenly, over the public address system, the Captain announces, "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am afraid I have some very bad news. Our engines have ceased functioning and we will attempt an emergency landing."

"Luckily, I see an uncharted island below us and we should be able to land on the beach. However, the odds are that we may never be rescued and will have to live on the island for the rest of our lives!"

Thanks to the skill of the flight crew, the plane lands safely on the island. An hour later Abe turns to his wife and asks, "Esther, did we pay our \$5,000 PBS pledge check yet?"

"No, sweetheart," she responds.

Abe, still shaken from the crash landing, then asks, "Esther, did we pay our American Express card yet?"

"Oh, no! I'm sorry. I forgot to send the check," she says.

"One last thing, Esther. Did you remember to send checks for the Visa and MasterCard this month?" he asks.

"Oh my God... forgive me, Abie," begged Esther. "I didn't send that one, either."

Abe grabs her and gives her the biggest kiss in 40 years. Esther pulls away and asks him, "What was that for?"

Abe answers, "Our problems are over, for sure they'll find us now!"

What Do I Look Like?

A couple moves into to a new home. After a few days, as the husband returns home from work, his wife says to him, "Honey, one of the pipes in the bathroom is leaking, could you fix it?"

"What do I look like, a plumber?" Asks the husband, and goes to sleep.

A few days later, the wife once again turns to her husband and says, "honey, my car doesn't start, I think it may need a new battery, could you change it for me?"

"What do I look like, a mechanic?" asks the husband with a frown.

A week goes by, and the wife once again turns to her husband and says, "Dear, the roof is leaking, could you do something about it?"

"What do I look like, a roofer?" asks the husband. "Take care of these things yourself!"

He then leaves home for a week on a business trip. "When I come back," he says to his wife, "I'd like all these things taken care of "

He comes back a week later and is astonished to discover the roof is fixed, the car is running and the pipes are brand new

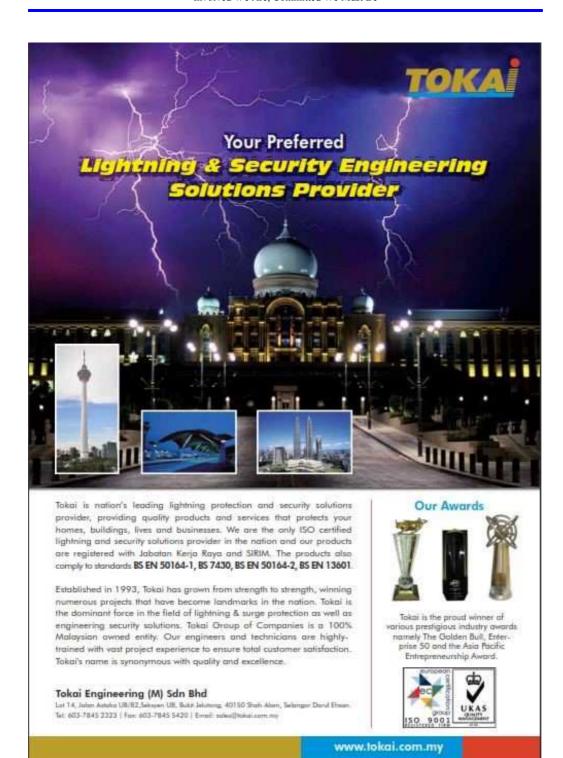
"Great! How much is that going to cost me?" he snarls at his wife

"Nothing at all." said the wife. "The neighbour popped in and turns out he's a handyman. He said he'd fix the whole thing if I just bake him a cake, or sleep with him."

"Wow," said the husband. "What kind of cake did you make him?"

"What do I look like," exclaims the wife, "a baker?"





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