

# Berita Pudu





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### PROGRAMME FOR TODAY

Speaker: Ms Sharmila Sivalingam Subject: Conversations With Self

### On Duty

Duty Table: Rtn Steven Ho Fellowship: Rtn Steven Chiew Finemaster: Rtn Mok Sin Introducing: Rtn Loo Ming Chee Thanking: PP Ng Sim Bee

### Rotarians' Birthdays (May)

13<sup>th</sup> – Rtn Asok Kumar 17<sup>th</sup> – PP Dato' Rosemarie Wee

### PROGRAMME FOR NEXT WEEK

### **NO MEETING**

### Spouses Birthdays (May)

09<sup>th</sup> – Ann Ivy (PPTai Chin Peow) 20<sup>th</sup> – Ann Fanny (Rtn Steven Ho) 22<sup>nd</sup> – Ann May Lee (Rtn Mok Sin)

### Wedding Anniversaries (May)

06<sup>th</sup> – PP K H Low and Ann Evelyn 19<sup>th</sup> – PP Dato' Jasani and Ann Datin Bharati 25<sup>th</sup> – PP Dato' Dr Lee Hoo Teong and Ann

Datin Esther

#### **CLUB DIARY OF EVENTS - MAY 2014**

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
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Mon, 5 <sup>th</sup> May	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 6 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30 pm	Incoming Club Service Committee Meeting	Residence of Rtn Jeff Yap
Wed, 7 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00 pm	Fund Raising Committee Meeting	Crystal Palm Seafood Rest
Wed, 7 <sup>th</sup> May	7.00 pm	48 <sup>th</sup> Installation Committee Meeting	Crystal Palm Seafood Rest
Thurs, 8 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30 pm	Outgoing Membership Development Meeting	President Alex's Office
Thurs, 8 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30 pm	Outgoing Club Service Committee Meeting	President Alex's Office
Sat, 10 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00 am	PRC Charity Premier "Spider-Man 2"	GSC Pavilion
Mon, 12 <sup>th</sup> May		MEETING CANCELLED	-
Tue, 14 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30 pm	Incoming/Outgoing Youth Service Committee	Bukit Kiara Club
		Meeting	
Wed, 14 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30 pm	Outgoing/Incoming Community Service Com-	Bukit Kiara Club
		mittee Meeting	
Thurs,15thMay	6.30 pm	Incoming Youth/Club Service Fireside	Residence of PP Tai
Sat, 17 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30 pm	The Rotary Foundation Awards Night	Royal Lake Club, KL
Mon, 19 <sup>th</sup> May	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue, 20 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30 pm	Incoming International Service Comm Meeting	Selangor Club, Bukit Kiara
Wed, 21 <sup>st</sup> May	6.30 pm	Incoming/Outgoing Vocational Service Com-	Bukit Kiara Club
	•	mittee Meeting	
Wed, 21st May	7.30 pm	Outgoing International Service Comm Meeting	Bukit Kiara Club
Fri, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	2.30 pm	Rotarian-Teacher Advisors High Tea	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Mon, 26 <sup>th</sup> May	12.45 pm	Weekly Meeting	Hotel Sentral Pudu. KL
Tue, 27 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30 pm	Incoming Board of Directors Meeting	Bukit Kiara Club
Wed, 28 <sup>th</sup> May	6.30 pm	Outgoing Board of Directors Meeting	President Alex's Office
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### **EDITORIAL**

May you find serenity and tranquility in a world You may not always understand.

May the pain you have known and conflict you have experienced

Give you the strength to walk through life

Facing each new situation with courage and optimism. Always know that there are those whose love and understanding

Will always be there, even when you feel most alone. May you discover enough goodness in others

To believe in a world of peace.

May a kind word, a reassuring touch, a warm smile be yours

Everyday of your life,

And may you give these gifts as well as receive them. Remember the sunshine when the storm seems unending.

Teach love to those who know hate,

And let that love embrace you as you go into the world. May the teaching of those you admire become part of you.

So that you may call upon them.

Remember, those whose lives you have touched And who have touched yours are always a part of you, Even if the encounters were less than you would have wished.

It is the content of the encounter that is more important than its form.

May you not become too concerned with material matters.

But instead place immeasurable value on the goodness in your heart.

Find time in each day to see the beauty and love in the world around you.

Realize that each person has limitless abilities, But each of us is different in our own way. What you may feel you lack in one regard May be more than compensated for in another. What you feel you lack in the present May become one of your strengths in the future.

May you see your future as one filled with promise and possibility.

Learn to view everything as a worthwhile experience.

May you find enough inner strength to determine your own worth by yourself,

And not be dependent on another's judgement of your accomplishments.

May you always feel loved.

Warmest Regards. PP Mike Tung

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"The definition of an extreme authoritarian is one who is willing blindly to assume that government accusations are true without any evidence presented or opportunity to contest those accusations."

— Glenn Greenwald

May and June are designated for fellowship. A time of the year when the out going Presidents are winding up their years and the in coming Presidents hustle and bustle before the final pushes for their terms.

This is a time the outgoing Presidents have time to look at everything from a broader angle and smell the roses as we go along whether they are related to Rotary or not. Upon reflection, one of the important aspects in life is the concept of Leadership.

There are many forms of leadership, <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/publicservicesandleadership/">https://sites.google.com/site/publicservicesandleadership/</a> outlined several which I have extracted and adapted for sharing.

#### **Public Services and Leadership**

- Authoritarian Leadership
- Bureaucratic Leadership
- Democratic Leadership
- Laissez-faire Leadership
- People Orientated Leadership
- Task Orientated LeadershipTransactional Leadership
- Transformational Leadership

#### **Authoritarian Leadership**

Authoritarian/Autocratic leadership is where someone tells you what they want done and how they want it accomplished without be able to get any advice from other people. It is good to use this style of leadership when you are either all well motivated, you know all the information to complete the task or you are short on time. This style of leadership is only used on rare occasions. If you have the time and want to gain more commitment and motivation then you should use a different style of leadership.

This style of leadership is used in some public services in the UK. The main of example of the use of this style of leadership is used in the army. For example, if you were fighting in the war and you were told to 'get down' then you would have to get down, otherwise you may get shot. This style is used in most regiments of the army. Not only the army, this leadership is used in many other public services this is because most of the time you are told what to do and where to go.

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (cont'd)

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#### **Bureaucratic Leadership**

The bureaucratic style of leadership is a style of leadership that focuses on rules and procedures to manage teams and projects. It is a style that is diffused among a number of departments or people and there is a strictest of rules. This is a classic style of leadership and is used quite a lot in organisations that do not encourage innovation and change and by leaders who may be insecure and uncertain in what their role may be. People that want to use this style of leadership are often familiar with the many policies and guidelines. Some people may feel out of their depth and will have a little hesitation in referring difficulties to a leader higher in demand.

This approach to leadership is commonly used in uniformed and non-uniformed public services. Sometimes the public services are very large and bureaucratic themselves and although it may seem unlikely, there are several situations where the bureaucratic leadership style may be useful for example a job is routine and does not change over a long period of time or either that a job requires a definite set of safety rules or working guidelines in order to comply with the law.

However if this style of leadership is used inappropriately then it can cause negative consequences, causing a lack of flexibility and work throughout the team.

#### **Democratic Leadership**

In this approach of leadership the leader encourages people the followers to become part of the decision making. The leader still has full control of the group and still has the final decision but decisions and input from the team is encouraged. The leader then informs the team about the factors that could have an effect on them, the team and the project as a whole. This style of leadership also gives a sense of responsibility to the team members. It allows the leader to draw upon how good they are and their experience of a team in order to get the best results for everyone. This also helps them develop skills within the team. The democratic approach is viewed very positively as it gains respect and it can produce very good work over long periods of time.

This style of leadership is not used very much within the public services, this is because the democratic leadership style takes time to discuss everything and public services may not always have the time to do this. This is very time-consuming and the public services has to make sure that all the team members are safe and not harmed wherever possible.

#### Laissez-faire Leadership

The Laissez-faire approach of leadership can also be called the 'hands off', 'free reign' and the 'delegative' ap-

proach. This style differs from the other styles. The leader exercises very little and lets the members of the group to establish their own roles and responsibilities. The members of the group are given a very little direction but a lot of freedom and power. The power that they are given should be used to create goals, make decisions and resolve problems that should effect them. If all the members are highly motivated that the laissez-faire approach is the most effective leadership, experienced and well trained. It is very important that the leader can have full trust in the members of the team.

An example of this style of leadership in the public services is... if there was a murder investigation and someone gets sent to the scene of the crime, they know what they are there to do and they can then be left there to do it without any supervision needed.

#### **People Orientated Leadership**

People Orientated is slightly similar but a bit different to the task-orientated leadership. Within this style of leadership, this style focuses on participation of all the team members, clear communication, supporting and developing the individual in order to improve their skills. The members of the team are very competent in their role and inspire other people by unlocking their own potential. They allocate others roles based on others strength and individual skills. This style of leadership is participative and encourages good teamwork, loyalty and creativity. The key to this style of leadership is very good people power. People can be very successful if they use all the following: knowledge, skills, abilities, life experience and talents of all the individuals and of the group.

### **Task Orientated Leadership**

In this style of leadership its all about getting the job done. Its all about the key of the task rather than about everyone else in the team. Their main focus is just to get the task done whether it is structured or un-structured. They will define the work and the roles that they are given and put structures of the task into place, plan and also organise the whole of the task. This style can have many difficulties such as difficulties of the lack of motivating and the retaining the team as a whole.

Task orientated style of leadership is slightly different to people orientated, as an example, a police inspector oraganising crowd control at a football match may use a taskcentered approach, but back at the police station when dealing with junior police officers, she might employ a people-centred approach.

#### **Transactional Leadership**

The transactional style of leadership is pretty straight for-(Continued on page 5)

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ward but it uses rewards and punishments to motivate the team. This style of leadership is very similar to the autocratic style but it is not as extreme. Leaders of both the transactional and autocratic are very similar, they are direct and dominant and spend a great amount of time telling others what is expected from the team as a whole. There are many advantages and disadvantages of this style of leadership, for example some of the advantages are: the leaders monitors the work and each and everyone's individual performance, rewards, there is also a clear chain of command, not only these, there are many other advantages. Unfortunately there are some disadvantages in this style of leadership: team members may not get job satisfaction but of the reward/ punishment routine, it assumes that people are only motivated because of money and not because of the reason why they actually want to do it and finally, Transactional leaders are very commonly found within businesses where people are given rewards such as bonuses, training or time off if they show a good performance.

#### **Transformational Leadership**

The transformational style of leadership focuses on the teams performance as a whole, it encourages everyone to think of the group as a whole and rather not just themselves. It is all about moving forward as a team and not just several individuals in one group. Transformational leaders aim to make their team members better people by encouraging their self-awareness. They want team individuals to overcome self interest and focus on the goals and purposes that are shared as a team. Transformational leaders spend a lot of time communicating with the team to gain support through their enthusiasm.

The transformational leadership style can have many advantages and disadvantages. To start of with there are a couple of advantages, for example, they have beliefs in others and themselves, they spend time coaching and supporting their team, people will follow their leader because of their energy, passion, commitment and enthusiasm for the team and finally, they care about their team a lot and work hard to motivate them, if they do this then this reduces stress levels and increases the well-being of the team. Not only are their advantages to this style of leadership, there are also disadvantages, in fact, there are more disadvantages then advantages to this style of leadership. Some of these disadvantages include, Leaders can only see the big picture but not all the details, leaders always believe that their vision is right when sometimes it is not, large amounts of a lot of enthusiasm can wear the team out and last but not least, if the team is not convinced with everyone else they may not share the same vision with everyone else. END.

Alex Chang President RY 2013-14

#### **FIRESIDE**

Dear PRC fellow members,

As appointed by the incoming Board to be the Fireside Chairman of RY 2014/15, I am pleased to announce that our first Fireside for "Youth Service cum Club Service" is scheduled on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2014 (Thursday) 7.00 pm, hosted by me, at my residence located at No: 26, Jalan Bukit Segar 7, Taman Bukit Segar, Cheras, 56100 Kuala Lumpur.

Although RY2014-15 is supposed to commence services from July 2014, but our Youth Service Committee have committed projects that needed to be carried out prior to RY start — such as "Teacher Advisers' High Tea, Interact clubs activities, etc — and also to tie in with Club Service to enable participants, especially new Rotarians, to learn and understand the function of PRC for its smooth running, we are therefore starting early with the Fireside.

More importantly, as you will agree with me, that fellowship of PRC is deteriorating somewhat. Certainly, there is no need to point fingers at anyone! If you still love PRC, come and invest your time, your energy and lend your support to the Incoming Board, so that the Club can move forward.

Friends!,

Let's start from the Fireside, to rebuilt and strengthen the fellowship, share your Rotary knowledge that the new/old members needed to bring PRC forward.

Please revert as soon as possible for your attendance. Warmest regards.

Yours in Rotary PP Tai Chin Peow Fireside Chairman RY2014-15

### **PUDU NEWS**

### Record of Meeting on: 28th April 2014

Guest Speaker: Tan Sri Dato' Dr Lau Ban Tin

Subject: Malaysian Economy; Where Are We Heading?

Visiting Rotarians	
Guests	
Ms Eva Cheah Ms Lim Soo Zee Mr Ace Wong Mr Brandon Chong Mr C S Fong Mr C Y Leong Mr Simon Yong Ms Vone Kwan Ms Abbey Mr William Tan Mr Tan Boon Seng Ms Rachel Wong Mr Lim Teng Heong Mr Kee Heng Seng Mr Jordan Lim Mr Bobby Teoh Tan Sri Dato' Dr Lau Ms Liew	President Alex Chang President Alex Chang PP Gary Lim VP C T Heng VP C T Heng VP C T Heng Rtn Patrick Lee Rtn Sandy Soh Rtn Sandy Soh Rtn Tenny Lee Rtn Steven Ho Club Club

### **CLUB PROCEEDINGS**

Sgt-At-Arms Rtn Tenny called the meeting to order at 1.15 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.

PP Gary was the fine master:

- Rtn Patrick was fined RM 1 for not performing his duty as fine master.
- Rtn Steven Ho was fined RM 2 for not registering his guest.
- Rtn Tenny was fined RM 2 for inviting many guests.
- PP Richard, Rtn Sandy, Rtn Dr CC Wong were fined for coming in after 1 pm.
- The Board of Directors were fined RM 1 for not giving Tan Sri Dato' Dr Lau a warm reception.
- Members without name tags were fined RM 1.
- PP Dato' Jasani was fined RM 2 for not going overseas.
- Rtn Patrick Lee (again) was fined RM 5 for his birthday celebration

Statistics	
Guests	18
Visiting Rotarians Club Members Total Present	17 35
Collections:	
Birthdays/Anniv/Fines	RM 4000
Paying Diners	RM 300.00
Raffles & Others	
Total (RM)	RM 340.00

#### **PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) The Outgoing Board of Directors Meeting has been postponed.
- 2) The Weekly Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2014 will be cancelled.

### **INTRODUCING THE SPEAKER**

Rtn Laura Lee introduced the guest speaker Tan Sri Dato' Dr Lau Ban Tin who presented a talk on the subject "Malaysian Economy: Where Are We Heading?"

#### THANKING THE SPEAKER

PP Dato' Jasani thanked Tan Sri Dato' Dr Lau Ban Tin for a very educational and interesting presentation. He commented that Tan Sri has highlighted the five core businesses of Malaysia which is petroleum, palm oil, services, tourism and properties. Tan Sri has posed some thought provoking questions with a sense of humour. Dato' Jasani then presented a Me-



mento to Tan Sri Dato' Dr Lau Ban Tin.

#### SPEAKER'S CV



### **BIODATA**

Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Lau Ban Tin PSM, DSSA, JP CA(M), FTII, FCMA, CGMA, FAIA, MBA, DBA (SCU)

Y. Bhg Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Lau Ban Tin, aged 57, is a Chartered Accountant and a Consultant Economist by profession. He is a member of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants, a fellow member of the Chartered Tax Institute of Malaysia, the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants and the Association of International Accountants, UK. Tan Sri Lau obtained his MBA and Doctorate in Economics (DBA) from the Southern Cross University, an Australian public university. He is a member of the World Presidents Organization, the International Real Estate Federation (FIABCI Malaysian Chapter), Malaysian Economic Association and an adviser to the Klang Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industries. He was the former Vice-President of the Malaysian Institute of Corporate Governance. He is also a Justice of the Peace. Tan Sri Lau was conferred Chivalry Order of "DSSA" in year 1993 by HRH Sultan Selangor and "PSM" in year 2000 by HM the King of Malaysia.

Currently, Tan Sri Lau operates a handicapped children home known as Persatuan Penjagaan Kanak-Kanak Cacat Klang where he is taking care of 76 handicapped and Down-Syndrome children. He is an honorary member of Rotary Club, Bandar Utama. Tan Sri Lau has also set up a student loan fund in Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman known as "Tan Sri Lau Ban Tin Student Loan Fund". He also set up a body called the Malaysian Centre of Entrepreneurs whose aim is to promote entrepreneurship in Malaysia. Tan Sri Lau wrote and published a book entitled 'Capital Control and The Malaysian Economy' 2005 (ISBN 967-978-862-8).

Tan Sri Lau started his career as a Project Analyst with Newacres Sdn Bhd (a member of Metroplex Bhd) and was also a Management Accounting lecturer in SBTC [now called Segi University]. Tan Sri Lau was the pioneer in setting up Tawakal Hospital in Kuala Lumpur and was a finance consultant to the Bandar Tun Razak Projek under Kuala Lumpur City Hall.

At present, Tan Sri Lau is an independent non-executive director of B.I.G. industries Bhd, a public listed company listed in Bursa Malaysia. He is also a partner in Bantin & Associates, a Chartered Accountants firm.

Tan Sri Lau is currently developing a number of housing and township projects in Shah Alam and Klang, Selangor, Malaysia. 1. Seri Pristana, 200 acres township in Sungai Buloh, Shah Alam. Completed more than 3,000 units, balance 40 acres left to be completed. 2. Puncak Luyang Condominium and semi-detached bungalows at Luyang Sabah. 3. Taman Bantin, Bukit Kemuning, Shah Alam. 4. Taman Alam Shah 2, Jalan Raja Nong, Klang. 5. JV development of Mutiara Villas development, Bukit Tinggi, Bentong. 6. Marina View Service Apartment, Permas Jaya, Johor Bahru.

#### **SPEAKER'S TEXT**

### Synopsis

Title : The Malaysian Economy: Where are we heading?

In the last two (2) years since the credit crunch in year 2009, we saw the collapse of the European economy. There were many "stabilization" measures undertaken as wayang kulit shows. Global economy is decelerating fast with no light at the end of the tunnel. US economy is also moving into another recession. With poor demand for global market, where is Malaysia economy heading? As Malaysia is an export-led economy, where are our customers in this depressing market? Crises after crises erupted all over world with Ukraine crises being the latest. Is our economy sound enough to withstand all these turmoils? Can Malaysia Government sustain its financial situation with national debt at 54.9%? What are our solutions? Can shaking two (2) green coconuts to solve our problems? Let us discuss in our luncheon talk.

Tan Sri Dato, Dr. Lau Ban Tin

### The Professor's Paper

A very long paper consisting of 13 pages was presented. It's too long to be reproduced here, so it's made available at the Club website. To download, please click here.

# **CLUB MEETING ON 28 APRIL 2014**



Top Table



Rtn Tenny Ng doing her SAA thingi



Rare appearance of Dato Rosemarie Wee



PP Gary Lim doing his Fine job — again



Rtn Laura Lee introducing the Apeaker



The Speaker — Prof Tan Sri Dato Dr Lau Ban Tin

# **CLUB MEETING ON 28 APRIL 2014**



The audience



Pres Alex with the audience



Rtn Tenny and friends



Prof Tan Sri Dr Lau and PP Dato Jasani, Rtn Laura Lee and friend



Rtn Robert Tan with the ladies



PP Dato Jasani presenting a memento to the Speaker

### TYPHOON HAIYAN

From: Ang Albert < <u>albert8ang@yahoo.com</u>>

Date: 28/04/2014, at 16:03

Subj: DONATIONS TO HAIYAN VICTIMS

Dear President Alex,

Sorry for the delay in submitting a full report for your club's generosity to help the Typhoon Haiyan victims with a unsolicited US\$10,000 donation. (We actually received P400,000 in 2 remittances.)

We have received other donations and combining all including donations from RC Mandaluyong members, we tried our best to ensure the donations go to the victims.

The calamity area is in Central Philippines island, a bit far from Mandaluyong and to go there is not that easy.

We have done 3 projects out of the funds we collected. (most were unsolicited donations.)

- RC Pudu P400,000 (US\$10,000)
- RC Kowloon Golden Mile P87,000
- RC Taipei NorthWest and 5 clubs in Taipei P356,846 (US\$7,600)
- Sydenham Lab Inc (where our PP Mike de la Cruz is the Managing Director)
- P75,000 from employee and P187,425 worth of medicines and vitamins
- RCM members P675,000 (of which P400,000 via PDG Tony Puyat and P100,000 from PP Nap Co.)

Total: P 1,781,271.00 (about US\$41,424)

This was the easiest way we ever received donations as they were mostly unsolicited. Proving that there are plenty of humanities, compassions, goodness and generosities in Rotarians.

Having been entrusted with such an amount, we took it upon ourselves to be extra vigilant and transparent on how the fund will be used.

The goal is simply to do best to ensure the victims will be helped. Needless to say, it took a bit longer than usual to complete.

We undertook 3 projects.

1. Immediate need for clean water at that time, we used P80,000 from RC Pudu to buy aquatabs. (This is a tablet that convert unclean water to portable water.) Our D3800 has set up a collection centre and made arrangement with D3860 where the disaster areas are to receive these donation so it can be used immediately to provide water.

Pictures and short report in another email.

- 2. We tied up with RC Alabang, whose members included medical doctors that went to Leyte Island to conduct a medical mission. P160,000 from RC Pudu was used to buy various medicines from Sydenham. Sydenham through our PP Mike further donated another P187,425 worth of medicines. P60,000 of RC Pudu was used to buy aquatabs. The report of the mission in Powerpoint in another email.
- 3. We tied up with KAISA, a Fil-Chinese NGO, where our PP Nap Co is an active member, to donate 48 boats worth P 1,200,000 to the fishing village in Ajuy, Iloilo Island. Each boat cost P25,000 equipped with a motor and full fishing gear. It is a 17 feet long and made of fiberglass. The first batch of 16 was turned over in Mar 24, 2014 and the second batch of 32 boats which included the 4 boats under RC Pudu were turned over on April 25, 2014

Pictures of the 4 boats with Rotary Club of Pudu painted on the boat will be sent hopefully this week as soon I received the pictures from KAISA.

In Summary:

RC Pudu P400,000 donations

Project 1 Aquatab - P80,000 Project 2 Medical Mission - P220,000 Project 3 Boats donation - P100,000

We trust we have done our best and justified your trust and confidence to entrust your generous donations that it will be used for a good deed.

Regards Albert RC Mandaluyong



### **CLUB & DISTRICT DIARY OF EVENTS - FUTURE**

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
Sat, 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2014	10.00 am	R C Pudu Charity Premiere 'Spider-Man 2'	GSC Pavilion, KL
10 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup> May	-	District Rotaract Assembly	Prescott Hotel Klang
Thurs, 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2014	6.30 pm	Incoming Youth Service/Club Service Fireside	Residence of PP Tai
Sat, 17 <sup>th</sup> May 214 Fri, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2014	7.30 pm <b>2.30 pm</b>	The Rotary Foundation Awards Night Rotarian/Teacher Advisors High Tea	Royal Lake Club, KL Shangri la Hotel, KL
1 <sup>st</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> June 2014 Sat, 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2014 <b>Sat, 19<sup>th</sup> July 2014</b> 21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 2014	7.30 pm <b>7.00 pm</b>	Rotary International Convention District Awards & Handover Night R C Pudu 48 <sup>th</sup> Installation Night 2014 Kota Kinabalu Rotary Institute	Sydney - Shangri la Hotel, KL Sutera Harbour Resort & Spa, Kota Kinabalu.



### **NOTICE BOARD**

@ 28-4-2014 Pledge is RM 73,300.00

Spider-Man 2 Review

By Rotten Tomatoes

We've always known that Spider-Man's most important battle has been within himself: the struggle between the ordinary obligations of Peter Parker and the extraordinary responsibilities of Spider-Man.

But in The Amazing Spider-Man 2, Peter Parker finds that a greater conflict lies ahead. It's great to be Spider-Man (Andrew Garfield.) For Peter Parker, there's no feeling quite like swinging between skyscrapers, embracing being the hero, and spending time with Gwen (Emma Stone.)

But being Spider-Man comes at a price: only Spider-Man can protect his fellow New Yorkers from the formidable villains that threaten the city. With the emergence of Electro (Jamie Foxx), Peter must confront a foe far more powerful than he. And as his old friend, Harry Osborn (Dane DeHaan) returns, Peter comes to realize that all of his enemies have one thing in common.

What is it? Come and watch the movie...



### **DISTRICT NEWS**

### **OPINION**

Dear friends,

In more ways than one, The 80<sup>th</sup> District assembly has to be a special one in the history of our District. First and foremost, we saw the induction of our first lady Governor, Kirenjit Kaur which by itself was something unthinkable even a few years back. This assembly may soon be forgotten but its historical significance will forever be etched in our memory. Congratulations DGE Kirenjit and our best wishes for a great year.

The way Governor Datuk Mohinder Singh took himself off from his sick bed to fulfill his responsibilities will always be remembered. He was under the Doctor's instructions not to strain himself but being the man he is, he felt he had to be there to inspire us and that is the stuff leaders are made of. We should take our hats off to Governor for being there with us and many in the banquet hall were inspired by his commitment and sincerity. YOU TOUCHED US!!! Governor, we wish you all the best for a successful surgery and a speedy recovery.

We owe a lot to organizing chairman, IPP Mah Soon Chai and the host club RC Kajang, co-host RC Puchong Centennial and partner clubs, RC Seremban and RC Senawang for delivering one of the best District assembly in recent years. It was good to see a huge crowd after a long time and I believe we exceeded 500 registrations. Well done IPP Mah on a great job. You have proven once again to us that if we have the will, we will succeed. I know that the word impossible does not exist in your dictionary.

The keynote address by RI Director, PT Prabakar was an excellent one and his presentation kept us on our seats throughout. Very enjoyable and inspirational speech . This assembly will also be historic, for this will be the last time that it will be organized in its present 3 day 2 nights format before changing to a 2 day 1 night event from next year. The name of District assembly will also be known as District Training Assembly from now on.

The assembly also witnessed the election of PP Darul Abdullah as the District Governor for 2016-17. Congratulations Darul!

All in all, a great assembly and our thanks and appreciations to the organizers for a job well done.

"LIGHT UP ROTARY".

Baskaran.

From: YOK LOY HO < hoyokloy@yahoo.com>

Date: Fri, May 2, 2014 at 12:12 AM

Subject: Trustees approve new Foundation funding

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# TRUSTEES APPROVE NEW FOUNDATION FUNDING MODEL

The Rotary Foundation Trustees have approved a new model for funding the Foundation's operating costs.

Effective 1 July 2015, the Foundation will direct 5% of Annual Fund donations to help pay administrative and fund development expenses and to build a strong operating reserve.

The Foundation will also draw on other funding sources, including 5% of cash contributions for global grants and up to 10% of select corporate gifts.

Our current method of using investment earnings to fund these costs is no longer financially sustainable in today's unpredictable markets. Recognizing that financial markets will continue to be volatile, the Trustees developed a new model to achieve long-term financial sustainability.

Most non-profit organizations allocate a percentage of their contributions to support future fundraising efforts. Looking ahead, the Foundation will continue its strong record of financial accountability and transparency.

From: Dato Mohinder Singh < moscasft@gmail.com > Date: Fri, May 2, 2014 at 10:40 PM,

Dear Rotarians,

I would like to thank the many Rotarians who have extended their prayers and words of encouragement for my impending heart surgery at IJN.

The Surgery has been scheduled for 14th May 2014.

I will continue to be available in my office until 10th May 2014 . The rest is in the Surgeon's and God's hands.

Please make 13th May the ROTARY DAY OF PRAYER FOR YOUR DG.

God Willing, I will be back serving Rotary with you.

Sent from my iPad

# SYDNEY CONVENTION BREAKOUT SESSIONS

On the afternoons of 2, 3, and 4 June, participate in the following breakout sessions to learn about new strategies and resources for enhancing your service projects. Your convention program packet will include a complete list of sessions, dates, and locations.



- Rotary Friendship Exchange: Enhancing the Rotary Experience Through International Exchanges. Experienced Friendship Exchange coordinators will share strategies for successfully planning, hosting, and embarking on exchanges. Meet prospective exchange partners while learning how participating in this program can enhance your Rotary experience.
- Rotary Fellowships: Enriching Your Experience. Learn about the activities that Rotary Fellowships are undertaking around the world, as well as tips on how to start or join one. Hear from members of various Rotary Fellowships about their experiences with service activities that relate to their work or personal interests.
- Support Early Literacy by Working With the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. With the support of Rotarians and other local organizations, the Dolly Parton Imagination Library recently expanded into Australia to help children develop a love for reading from an early age. Hear inspirational stories from this unique partnership and explore opportunities to expand the program to your community.
- Best Practices in Vocational Service. Learn about a wide variety of ways to advance vocational service in your community from a panel of Rotarian experts. If your club is interested in activities such as mentoring young people to succeed in the job market, vocational training, or promoting integrity and high ethical standards, this session is for you.
- Project Fairs (Part 1 of 2): Organizing Fairs to Find Project Partners. Is your club seeking partners to support a project, or are you looking for a project overseas to partner with? Learn how visiting or hosting a project fair can lead you to valuable international service connections.
- Project Fairs (Part 2 of 2): Speed Project Fair. Become a Partner, Support an International Rotary Project. Attend an actual short-form project fair, where you can interact with Rotarian project organizers who are seeking international partners. Explore opportunities for your club or district to support a meaningful project outside of your own community.

- Using Crowdsourcing for Successful Service Projects. Learn how leveraging the Rotary network through crowdsourcing tools and techniques can help you secure needed project funding, volunteers, in-kind donations, and partners.
- Introducing ShelterBox SchoolBoxes and Young ShelterBox. Did you know that ShelterBox distributes educational materials in addition to emergency shelter resources? Hear about ShelterBox's focus on education in areas affected by disaster and learn about new opportunities for Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Interactors to work with ShelterBox locally and abroad.
- Lifecycle of a Service Project: An Interactive Experience. Participate in an interactive session to gather strategies and best practices for each stage of the project lifecycle.

Source: Rotary Service Update, April 2014

# 2014 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION PLENARY ASSIGNMENT AND ANNOUNCE-MENTS

#### PLENARY SESSIONS

All plenary sessions will be held in Allphones Arena\* in Sydney Olympic Park. Indicated below is your assigned **Opening Plenary Session** (Sunday, 1 June) based on the order your registration was received. This assignment includes yourself and all guests registered under your registration number 107595.

**Opening Plenary Session Assignment:** Opening Plenary Session 2 - 16:00 - 18:00

The Closing Plenary Session will be held on Wednesday, 4 June 16:00-18:00.

\*Please be aware that bags larger than purses are not permitted in Allphones Arena for plenary sessions.

#### REGISTRATION

Registration will be located in Exhibition Hall 5 in Sydney Showground at Sydney Olympic Park and opens at 13:00 on Thursday 29 May. Please see the schedule at a glance posted at <a href="https://www.riconvention.org">www.riconvention.org</a> for the registration hours. Additional tickets for RI events may be available onsite and purchased at Registration on a first come, first served basis, while supplies last.

Photo identification (driver's license or passport) is required to pick up your badge. Only those registered under the Registration ID may obtain badges for that registration ID. Groups who have requested in advance and preregistered their participants may obtain badges at the group registration desk.

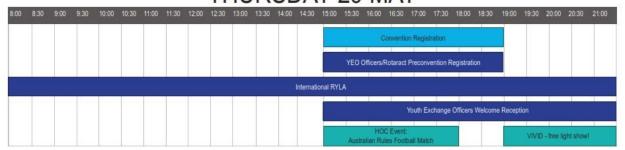
Regards Siti Subaidah



### **EVENTS-AT-A-GLANCE**

All events, locations and times are subject to change.

## THURSDAY 29 MAY



# FRIDAY 30 MAY



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## SATURDAY 31 MAY



# **SUNDAY 1 JUNE**



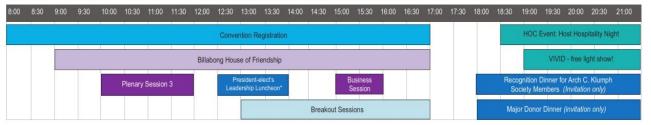
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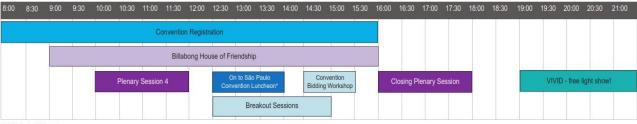
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# **TUESDAY 3 JUNE**



## **WEDNESDAY 4 JUNE**



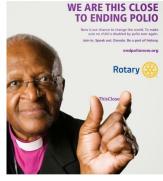
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#### THE ROTARIAN CONVERSATION: DESMOND TUTU

If we ever hope to have peace, we must first commit to defeat poverty.

Charlayne Hunter-Gault first interviewed Desmond Tutu in Detroit in 1986, as he traveled the world to speak out against apartheid. "He did so without knowing what the consequences would be," she recalls. "I am sure he was threatened, but not even the vicious apartheid regime dared to harm him." That year, he became the



first black Anglican archbishop of Cape Town, South Africa.

Since then, Hunter-Gault has interviewed "the Arch," as she calls him, dozens of times, on dozens of subjects: among them, voting for the first time in 1994 – it was "like color to a blind person," he said; overseeing South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission, which held public hearings to air grievances from all sides; and working to end the violent uprisings of the postapartheid years.

During an interview at Tutu's offices in Cape Town, his comments are accompanied by a boyish giggle – a habit "which often throws people totally off guard," says Hunter-Gault – and flashes of anger at his nation's political parties. He refused to vote in the recent election, hoping to send a message.

In U.S. President Barack Obama, he sees new hope for the world. He beams and grows teary-eyed while predicting that Obama will give the United States a new moral leadership.

Emmy-winning journalist Hunter-Gault was one of the first two African American students to attend the University of Georgia in 1961. She spent 20 years at PBS, becoming chief national correspondent for the *NewsHour with Jim Lehrer*. She moved to Johannesburg in 1998 and is now an NPR correspondent in Africa.

**The Rotarian:** The number and lethality of armed conflicts worldwide has dropped by half over the last 15 years. Is peace breaking out?

Desmond Tutu: I've always believed that it would, and it's heartening to have that kind of statistic, but what the heck difference does it make to someone in DRC [Democratic Republic of the Congo]? What the heck difference does it make to a person in Darfur, in Burma, and in Zimbabwe? I don't know; I mustn't become cynical. It's wonderful, yes. It means that the advocates of peace are making headway – and very important headway. TR: Like in South Africa.

**Tutu:** Yes, when you think of the '70s and the '80s, when internally we were at war with ourselves, and we were exporting violence and conflict into our neighboring states, the so-called fronts. We were fighting in Namibia and Angola, and we had a regional war. We were bombing Mozambique, Botswana, Zimbabwe. Phew!

**TR:** South Africa was racked with violence all around. **Tutu:** Now peace has come to South Africa. That has had its spinoffs. There is peace in Mozambique. They had an awful civil war, which in part was fueled by South Africa. And the United States was supporting [Jonas] Savimbi against the Angolan government because it was a surrogate for the Soviet Union.

**TR:** The Cold War incited conflict in many places. How did the collapse of the Soviet Union affect South Africa? **Tutu:** We imagined that when the Cold War ended, everything would be hunky-dory; it would be a wonderful world. It didn't turn out that way, because suddenly we were disoriented. The Cold War gave people their bearings. We were defining ourselves in relation to our opponents: I'm anticommunist, or I'm pro-whatever – who are you? Now that you have a unipolar world, who are you? This worked itself out awfully in the former Yugoslavia. People could not handle diversity. When we don't have landmarks, we retreat and can accept only what looks like us, speaks like us, thinks like us – you know, "those who are not like us are against us." And with fundamentalism of all sorts, you don't like convoluted, complicated answers. Reality is not straightforward, but people don't like you telling them that.

**TR:** So peace has brought new challenges?

**Tutu:** Absolutely. It has. It isn't something that is static. We are constantly having to find our bearings. It was wonderful here fighting against something, to rush straight forward, you see. We were united because we had this one enemy. Then the enemy disappears, and it gets very, very difficult.

**TR:** What role do you see for Rotary in clarifying how to live in peace?

**Tutu:** They've got a wonderful tradition and history of being there for the vulnerable. That's important, because our world is having to learn a very simple lesson: that actually we're all family. Until we understand that, we are going to get into trouble.

**TR:** Rotarians work in the developing world on sustainable projects. Can that be a way to generate a sense of family?

**Tutu:** Yeah, true. You remember what Martin Luther King Jr. said? "We must learn to live like brothers." (Now you would say "and sisters.") Because if we don't, we're going to die together; we're going to perish together like fools. Now you think that these guys were being very utopian, but you've seen what happens when you try to be a bully. Do you know how many millions live on less than one dollar a day? And we think we will win the war

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against terror? We won't. We won't as long as we have conditions that make people desperate. And we can't go on spending billions on arms, on instruments of death. That is what these people are trying to say: It's the best form of self-interest to care for others. It is not altruism.

**TR:** Can development, then, be a tool for peace?

**Tutu:** If people live in poverty, there's no way the world is *not* going to be unstable. I mean, I really am stupid: Tell me, with this present economic hoo-ha – yesterday there was money, today the money disappeared, and then a government can produce US\$700 billion [as a federal bailout] – where did this money go, and where does this new money come from? [The U.S. government] was saying to their own people, there isn't enough money to beef up schools in poor areas, there's not enough money to give every American access to health care. But God is saying, there is enough for everybody's needs, there is not enough for everybody's greed.

**TR:** What can people who work in development do to sustain themselves and their objectives in this kind of environment?

**Tutu:** Very few poor people want handouts. They want a hand up. We are seeing more and more people who are saying, "We are not bringing charity. We are in a partnership. We are family. We are trying to work with you, so that you can be part of the solution to pull yourselves out of poverty." We speak about humanitarian work – actually, that's a nice word, *humanitarian*. You are looking to help people recover their humanity, their dignity, the worth that is intrinsic to every human being. You are really working with God, who is saying, I gave you a world that's not perfect, and quite deliberately, because I wanted you to be partners with me in perfecting it.

**TR:** Rotary also has a long tradition of peace-building. Rotary Centers at eight leading universities train Rotary World Peace Fellows in the tools of conflict resolution and peace-building. How important is that kind of approach?

**Tutu:** Anything we can do to help people become agents of conflict resolution is important. Let's prevent conflict before it happens, train people to be sensitive to the signs and the symptoms of conflict. Also, we want to train people who can deal with the aftermath of conflict. Most conflict ends sometime, and then you have to deal with the awful consequences of it.

**TR:** The UN states that nations have a "responsibility to protect" citizens of other nations at risk for ethnic cleansing and other crises causing large-scale loss of life. Why are nations so reluctant to intervene in other nations' affairs in the midst of genocide and the cholera epidemic and the terrible inflation and the brutality that's going on in places like Zimbabwe?

**Tutu:** Many in the developing countries are very wary of neocolonialism. They are oversensitive, sometimes, that when these people come, seemingly caring about our plight, they want to put us under obligation. Maybe some

leaders are not so secure in their positions and worry that if you allow a foot in their country, especially from the West, where is it going to stop?

**TR:** And in Darfur?

**Tutu:** African countries form the bulk of UNAMID [UN-African Union peacekeeping mission in Darfur]. There, part of the problem has been that countries that were supporting a more effective role for the UN have not put their money where their mouths are. They've not provided the United Nations with the resources to protect the most vulnerable. On the whole, African countries have done quite well in many ways. You might call into question their wanting to stop the ICC [International Criminal Court] from issuing a warrant for President [Omar al-Bashir of Sudan]. They have said, "No, it will only be a spanner [wrench] in the works for the whole peace process." I don't agree with them, but they've not done too badly. They've done badly vis-à-vis Zimbabwe. The people who suffer most, of course, are the most vulnerable, and it's hell.

TR: What needs to happen in Zimbabwe?

**Tutu:** I have said, look, we have to invoke the rubric of "responsibility to protect." If a government is unwilling or unable to protect its citizenry, then the international community must step in. And I have said, yes, maybe the African countries must have the UN come in. South Africa has disappointed many of us in some of the resolutions that we have supported or not supported in the [UN] Security Council. To think, we used to occupy the so-called moral high ground. And now you feel a little sad for a beautiful country with beautiful people.

**TR:** What happened? Were expectations too high because of Nelson Mandela and the whole idea of the rainbow nation, and your own role?

**Tutu:** Yes, I would say yes. And we also forgot that original sin actually is colorblind. [laughs] In the struggle, we quite rightly could boast that we were special. I mean, we had remarkable human beings who were totally selfless. People were prepared to be killed. And we imagined then that all of that idealism would be carried over to the postapartheid era. At least it shows that we are human. We probably didn't realize what power can do. Absolute power corrupts. We grew it in arrogance — and the kind of arrogance that the Nats [National Party] had.

**TR:** In those situations, you often have lingering hatred and anger. You are Mr. Reconciliation in South Africa, and now as chair of the Elders, you are trying to reconcile issues all over the world. How do you get to that point of forgiveness?

**Tutu:** By constantly reminding people of their own goodness – that we are all fundamentally good. Recently, we did a thing with the BBC called *Facing the Truth*, in Northern Ireland, and it's quite amazing. You see the magnanimity of human beings faced with someone who committed some of the most gruesome things. And the people sit there together, and they are talking away. In one

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instance, a police officer had both hands blown off in an IRA [Irish Republican Army] attack on a police vehicle. The IRA man who was involved began speaking about his upbringing and all of the deprivations that he experienced as a Roman Catholic in Northern Ireland. And this guy, with his hands shot off, says, "You know, if I had had your upbringing, I think I would have done what you did." It's incredible.

**TR:** So the key to reconciliation is to bring people together?

**Tutu:** People often just want to be able to tell their story. We are not made for hatred. We learn how to hate. You've seen it with children of different races who are brought up together. They don't know anything about race and discrimination until we adults infect them.

**TR:** You talk all the time about *ubuntu*, a Zulu word. You've explained, "We believe that my humanity is caught up, bound up, inextricably, in yours. When I dehumanize you, I inexorably dehumanize myself." That's what you're talking about now, isn't it? Is *ubuntu* an appropriate philosophy for the modern world?

**Tutu:** It is probably the best gift we can give to the world. It's reminding us that we are meant for togetherness. I come into this world, and I'm a helpless lump. I don't come fully formed. I have to learn how to speak as a human being. I have to learn how to think as a human being. I have to learn how to be human through other people.

**TR:** But how do you get people to embrace that idea? **Tutu:** Sometimes, it's amazing. People's eyes light up when you mention it, because somewhere deep down, we are aware of it — we are aware of our being connected. When a disaster happens miles away from your country, you have a connection. Look at what happened after 9/11. The world poured out a deep, real sympathy for the United States (which, unfortunately, they squandered, but let's forget about that). Everywhere, people felt deeply for the United States.

**TR:** How do you keep that connection going?

**Tutu:** By remembering that if you think you're going to prosper on your own, you are done for. This economic downturn may begin to make us realize that we can't go on consuming so madly, so rapaciously, in one section of the world when another section doesn't even have clean water to drink. We can't go on in this kind of way, where we're reckless in our consumption of resources. There are many wonderful things about the United States, but one of the things I'm so sad about is the helpings they give in restaurants. And notice how many plates go back still full, and the food is going to be dumped. **TR:** It's a consciousness that you're talking about. People don't have the consciousness.

**Tutu:** Yes, there's the lovely little saying "We must live simply so that others may simply live."

**TR:** What inspires you? What makes you tick?

**Tutu:** People. People pray for me. People uphold me. I can be very exhausted, but when I address a group, I get

energized because people are wonderful.

**TR:** Have you ever held a grudge against anybody? **Tutu:** I might have. [*laughs*] I feel so sorry for myself, but you get over it. You know, God has been very good. I started in a garage with my three children, and now I'm in Bishopscourt. You know, my wife's mother was a domestic worker, and her family lived in a backyard room in one of the township ghettos. Most of us were like that.

**TR:** And you had polio when you were young. **Tutu:** I was a baby, and I don't remember. I just know that I ended up with a right hand that's smaller than my left. I'm left-handed. Look, look at the size. You can see, I

can't control these fingers. **TR:** The United States now has a president whose father was African. What do you think about the election of Barack Obama?

**Tutu:** It's fantastic. You know, I was in a game reserve, and they were beaming into Chicago, where they were having a celebration, and Leah, my wife, was watching this on TV, and tears were rolling down her eyes. She said, "I'm so happy, but I don't know why I'm crying." [laughs] It gave us a new spring in our walk. What is so fantastic is that he has energized not just people of color. It's right across the board, and not just in America. Look at how many people welcomed him in Berlin.

**TR:** Any lesson in his victory?

**Tutu:** Lesson? Well, anyone can make it. [laughs] But the important thing is that it says a new era has dawned. We are going to see an America that leads almost because it has a moral leadership. It's going to be an America that is collaborative, consultative. It's not an America that throws its weight around. People want America to lead. And, of course, you know just how much that country has meant to us.

TR: In South Africa.

Tutu: Yes. I was maybe eight or so, and I picked up a copy of Ebony, and it was talking about Jackie Robinson breaking into Major League Baseball; he was going to play for the Brooklyn Dodgers. Now, I didn't know baseball from pingpong, but the thing that was so important for a black kid in that time, was here is a black guy who has made it. And I grew inches. And then all of the things that were happening there. I mean, you listened to the Ink Spots, Nat "King" Cole, all of them. Lena Horne was my pinup. You gave us so much hope. That was why I was so surprised when I first went to the United States to discover that black Americans were so bitter. I said, "But how could you be?" Until I discovered that it was because the [U.S.] Constitution says one thing, and the reality on the ground is different. You are a crazy country, because racism is still rife. You can drag a black guy behind a truck to his death, but you are also incredible. I mean, you look, and the sky is still in place, and a black guy, a young guy, is going into the White House.

**TR:** The Obama campaign started the Joshua Generation Project to attract younger Christians. The name, of course,

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is based on the biblical story of how the Joshua generation led the Israelites to the promised land. What does this name mean to you, especially since Obama has talked about the Moses generation getting us up to a point, and now the Joshua generation is next?

**Tutu:** Do you remember the thing they said? Rosa [Parks] sat so that Martin [Luther King Jr.] could walk. Martin walked so that Obama could stand, and Obama stood so that our children could fly. Isn't that lovely?

**TR:** Oh, you're going to bring me to tears.

**Tutu:** Isn't that lovely?

TR: Beautiful.

**Tutu:** And look what is happening in Kenya. I mean, that they own him [Obama]. They think, "This is our child." He's going to have wonderful clout because he's going to tell Africans what Bush couldn't. When he says, look here guys, get your act in order, they will see that he's speaking like a Westerner, but also they will realize, this is one of us.

**TR:** Obama has read widely on Abraham Lincoln, including Doris Kearns Goodwin's *Team of Rivals* [the story of Lincoln's cabinet, which included his political opponents]. There's reconciliation in Obama's whole approach.

**Tutu:** He's left [Robert] Gates in the Pentagon [as U.S. secretary of defense] and has selected people who would not necessarily agree with him as some of his most important economic advisers.

**TR:** Should people in places like South Africa be paying attention to this?

**Tutu:** Just look at how he's reached out to Hillary [Clinton]. I mean, we've got to learn. Yes, in a campaign, you get to use boisterous language, but now you think, we've got one country, and we are going to have to pull together.

**TR:** Are there lessons for the world in this? **Tutu:** We are meant for togetherness.

Source: The Rotarian

# INTERACT STUDENTS FEARED DEAD IN SOUTH KOREAN FERRY TRAGEDY, SIX RESCUED



Fourteen Interactors are among the 350 passengers who are dead or missing and presumed dead after a ferry capsized and sank on 16 April during a routine trip off the coast of South Korea. Six fellow Interact club members were rescued.

Of the 476 passengers and crew on board the 7,000 ton ferry, 339 were high school students and teachers from the Ansan Danwon High School, where the 30-member Interact club is based. The students were on an outing to the southern island of Jeju.

Rotary Districts 3750 and 3610 in South Korea are working with local Rotary clubs to provide volunteer services and support to victims' families. Rotary Korea magazine is also planning a memorial event to commemorate Interactors who lost their lives. Rotary began in Korea with the Rotary Club of Gyeongseong in 1927. Today there are 1,580 Rotary clubs and 708 Interact clubs.

Source: Rotary International



### THOTS FOR THE WEEK

#### **CO-INCIDENCE OF LIFE:**

- 1. CHURCH has 6 letters so does MOSQUE.
- 2. BIBLE has 5 letters so does QURAN.
- 3. LIFE has 4 letters so does DEAD.
- 4. HATE has 4 letters, so does LOVE....
- 5. ENEMIES has 7, so does FRIENDS.
- 6. LYING has 5, so does TRUTH.
- 7. HURT has 4, so does HEAL.
- 8. NEGATIVE has 8, so does POSITIVE.
- 9. FAILURE has 7, so does SUCCESS.
- 10. BELOW has 5, but so does ABOVE.
- 11. CRY has 3 letters so does JOY.
- 12. ANGER has 5 so does HAPPY.
- 13. RIGHT has 5 so does WRONG.
- 14. RICH has 4 so does POOR.
- 15. FAIL has 4 so does PASS
- 16. KNOWLEDGE has 9 so does IGNORANCE.

Are they all by Co-incidence? We should Choose wisely, this means LIFE is like a Double-Edged Sword.

If you think it is your alarm clock that woke you up this morning, try putting it beside a dead body and you will realise that it is the Grace of God that woke you up.



#### WORDS OF WISDOM

When we are in heaven
Our money is still in the bank.
When we are alive
We don't have enough money to spend.
When we are gone
There is still a lot of money not spent

One tycoon in China passed away His widow, with \$1.9 billion in the bank, remarried his chauffeur.

His chauffeur said, "All the while I thought I was working for my boss. Now only I realise that my boss was all the time working for me!!!"

#### The cruel reality is:

It is more important to live longer than to have more wealth. So we must strive to have a strong and healthy body, it doesn't matter who is working for who.

A high end hand phone
70% of the functions are useless
An expensive car
70% of the speed is not needed
A luxurious villa
70% of the space is not occupied
A whole wardrobe of clothes
70% of it is not worn
A whole life of earning
70% is for other people to use
So we must protect and make full use of our 30%

Go for medical exam even not sick Drink more water even not thirsty Must let go even faced with grave problems Must give in even you are in the right Must be humble even you are very powerful Must be contented even you are not rich Must exercise even you are very busy

LIFE IS SHORT WE MUST LIVE LIFE TO THE FULLEST



### ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

#### Pilots are God's Gift to Aviation

- 1. Every take-off is optional. Every landing is mandatory.
- 2. If you push the stick forward, the houses get bigger. If you pull the stick back, they get smaller. That is, unless you keep pulling the stick all the way back, then they get bigger again.
- 3. Flying isn't dangerous. Crashing is what's dangerous.
- 4. It's always better to be down here wishing you were up there than up there wishing you were down here.
- 5. The ONLY time you have too much fuel is when you're on fire.
- 6. The propeller is just a big fan in front of the plane used to keep the pilot cool. When it stops, you can actually watch the pilot start sweating.



- 7. When in doubt, hold on to your altitude. No one has ever collided with the sky.
- 8. A 'good' landing is one from which you can walk away. A 'great' landing is one after which they can use the plane again.
- 9. Learn from the mistakes of others. You won't live long enough to make all of them yourself.
- 10. You know why there are no old and bold pilots? Bold pilots don't get to be old.
- 11. The probability of survival is inversely proportional to the angle of arrival. Large angle of arrival, small probability of survival and vice versa.
- 12. Never let an aircraft take you somewhere your brain didn't get to five minutes earlier.
- 13. Stay out of clouds. The silver lining everyone keeps talking about might be another airplane going in the opposite direction. Reliable sources also report that mountains have been known to hide out in clouds.
- 14. Always try to keep the number of landings you make equal to the number of take-offs you've made.
- 15. There are three simple rules for making a smooth landing. Unfortunately no one knows what they are.

### **Bragging Rights**

The American brags, "We vote in the morning. In the afternoon we know who the President is."

The Chinese says nonchalantly, "Isn't that dumb? Maybe not. Today we vote but last year we already knew who the President would be."

With a contemptuous look, the North Korean says to the American and Chinese, "We don't have to vote. We know who since we were little kids."

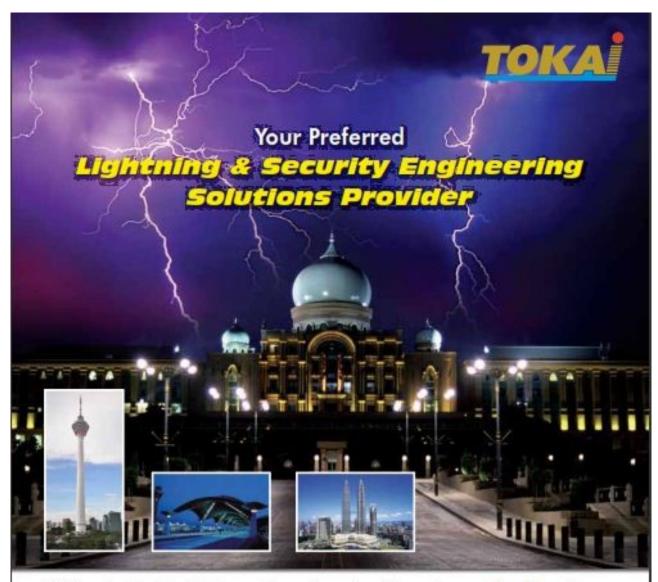
The bewildered Japanese says. "We have been voting time and again but we never know who is going to be the Prime Minister."

The Russian smiles faintly, "When our President was tired of being the President, he changed to be the Prime Minister. When he became tired of being the Prime Minister, he could be the President again."

The Cuban doubtfully looked at everyone and asked meekly, "Brothers, you mean it is possible to change the leader?"

The Iraqi loudly responded, "Can be changed? Certainly. If you don't, the Americans will change for you."





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