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550 food parcels worth RM38,000 given to flood victims in Baling Kedah

On Wednesday 15th October 2003 the Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur Di-Raja gave RM38,000 worth of food parcels to aid farmers and the homeless who were severely affected by torrential rains for four days in Baling, Kedah.

This was possible owing to the generous donations pledged by our members on Wednesday 8th October 2003 amounting to RM27,500. One member who wanted to be anonymous pledged RM20,000.

An aid worker in Kedah Dato' Abdul Azeez bin Abdul Rahim received the token presentation on behalf of the victims and undertook to assist in the distribution. He said some of the farmers had lost their crops and animals. Their livelihood was affected. All of them need help.



Each food parcel worth RM70.00 consists of :

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| 01. Single Cotton Brush Blanket | 07. Floral Beras Wangi (2 packets) |
| 02. 27" x 54" Mixed Colour Bath Towel | 08. Curry Powder Chicken (2 packets) |
| 03. Round Neck T-Shirt | 09. Skim Milk Powder |
| 04. Sarong | 10. Mamee Classic (10 packets) |
| 05. Hup Seng Cream Crackers (2 packets) | 11. Onion Yellow (1 packet) |
| 06. Sardine (3 tins) | 12. Ikan Bilis (1 packet) |

Our treasurer Rtn Francis Chan presented the cheque to Rtn Chan Kam Fatt the secretary of the organizing committee to pay for the items.

The chairman of the organizing committee PP Lim Eng Ho thanked members of the press and television who responded to our press statement and attended. He also thanked all the donors and those who assisted in one way or other.

Childrens' Rights Convention

On Wednesday 15th October 2003 at 8pm President Kanesalingam represented Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur Di-Raja at a dinner organized on the occasion of a literacy seminar organized for Form Two pupils in connection with the Childrens' Rights Convention. This was organized by a committee of the school's section of the Ministry of Education. About 200 children attended a 4 day seminar between Monday 13th to Thursday 16th October 2003 at the Kuala Lumpur International Hotel. Our club agreed to donate RM500.00 towards the cost on receipt of an appeal that the Ministry's allocation had to be subsidized.

Rotary Club of Bombay invites us

Rtn Deepak Kapadia Secretary of the largest Rotary Club in India the Rotary Club of Bombay met our President Kanesalingam at the Royal Selangor Club on Tuesday 14th October 2003 and invited our members to fellowship and service by visiting Bombay, New Delhi and Agra. They would provide hospitality. Those interested are requested to please contact Rtn Rizal Sardon our International Service Director. Rtn Deepak Kapadia donated US\$50.00 to Kuala Lumpur Rotary Charity Foundation when he heard of our presentation of 550 food parcels to victims of flood in Baling, Kedah. District Governor Dr. Mahinder Singh has suggested that we work out a sister club arrangement with Rotary Club of Bombay. Rotarian Kapadia extended warm greetings to our member Zarir Cama who was previously a member of the Rotary Club of Bombay.

Secretary's Announcements for Lunch Meeting on 22.10.2003

Meetings of the Service Committees

International will meet on **29.10.2003 (Wednesday)** at 2.00pm at Hotel Shangri La, Kuala Lumpur

Community Service will meet on **30.10.2003 (Thursday)** at 5.30pm at Hotel Shangri La, Kuala Lumpur

Board of Director Meeting will meet on **4.11.2003 (Tuesday)** at 6.00pm at Malacca Room, Hotel Shangri La, Kuala Lumpur

Change in dates/venue for other Club Meetings in District 3300

Regular Meeting for Rotary Club of Ipoh on **23.10.2003 (Thursday)** will be changed to Ilritrovo Room, Casuarina Hotel, Jalan Gopeng, Ipoh, at 1.05pm. Buffet lunch at RM15.00 per pax.

G Mahinder Singh & Gurdeesh Kaur on 25.10.2003

October's Lunch Programme - Vocational Service Month

Wed. Oct 22	Empowering Caregivers	Ms. Sharon Soon
Wed. Oct 29	Building Your Reputation With Help From The News Media	Farland Chang

Today's Speaker: (Sharon) Soon Ai Heng

Registered Nurse & Midwife with a Post Graduate Degree in Nursing Management

Awarded CGFNS (Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools) Certificate, Philadelphia, USA. Accredited Educator in Palliative Care Nursing, The Flinders University of South Australia

Has worked with Malaysian Ministry of Health from 1966 – 1992
Columnist with Malaysian Post & Sun newspapers from 1992 – 1994
Assisted with setting up of Cheras Geriatric Center (Aged Care Hospital) in 1995
Developed mental health services for Malaysia Care over 3 years from 1998 – 2001

Author of a book on "Palliative Care", a guide to understanding and caring for the older adults. Currently providing health and nursing consultancy plus training particularly on mental health, aged care and palliative care

Birthday Boys

Rtn Andrew Charles Gomez on 23.10.2003
Rtn Jeswant Singh King on 24.10.2003
IPP Keow Hock Sneah on 26.10.2003

Anns Birthdays

Lee Yuit Cheu Ann of Rtn Wong Chee Loon 23.10.2003

Wedding Anniversaries

Rtn Mohamed Lokman bin Tun Sardon & Robina Lokman Sardon on 25.10.2003
DG Mahinder Singh & Gurdeesh Kaur on 25.10.2003



Red Arrows Air Display



An impromptu gathering of Rotarians at the Red Arrows air display at Subang recently. Those who saw the show from left to right were Rts. Peter Hallett, Peter Tham Wah Kee, PP Low Bin Tick and Rtn Zarir Jal Cama and son.

Rolls Royce also organised for children from a local orphanage to have their photographs taken with members of the Red Arrows Team.

Rotary Club of Olsztyn

The Rotary Club of Olsztyn would like to bring the world of Rotary closer to the inhabitants of our city through a fund-raising International Service project, to which we have pleasure to invite your club.

We appeal to you to send us a small gift, souvenir typical of your city, town or region - a sort of souvenirs you wish to attract visitors with. We shall be much obliged for a brief description of the souvenirs and the banner of your club attached.

We are going to arrange an exhibition of all the souvenirs received with the large map of the world, where all the Rotary Clubs that would have joined the project are to be pointed up with their banners.

After the exhibition, all the souvenirs are to be auctioned. The money collected will be used for necessities of the orphanages in our region. We had completed a similar project ten years ago and it was a great success. Pieces of handicraft and handiwork characterizing some regions as well as reproductions of paintings, and small sculptures, which we had received, attracted a great interest at the auction.

We do hope, Dear Fellow Rotarians, that you will generously respond to this appeal, as soon as possible. We hope to have our exhibition open by the end of November or beginning of December.

International Service seems sometimes to be too difficult and time-consuming. Our project makes your participation easy. It combines service with popularisation of Rotary. Let us do it together. Do not stay aside, please!

All who are members of the Rotary Club of Olsztyn thank you very much in advance for your participation in our project. Please be as kind as to convey these thanks to the members of your club.

Wig Appeal from Panama

Quote: "Well I speak a little English, Im Davina from Club Rotaract Panamá Oeste. We are planning a Community project, consist in make "pelucas", im not really sure who can translate it., in english i believe that means WIG for childrens with Cancer and Leukemia, but here in Panama, we still not find who can make it. Can you help me with this investigation in your area or if you have some project to share with us you are welcome. Im really happy to know more about your Club."

- Davina Metzner metzner@bellsouth.net.pa

Vocational Project Shelters More Than 1,700 of India's Poor Students

Some of the most successful humanitarian projects associated with Rotary are the result of personal initiative as demonstrated by a [vocational service](#) project adopted by the Rotary Club of Chikmagalur, Karnataka, India. The project aims to provide a safe place to study for candidates from poor families while sitting for their secondary school leavers certificate examinations, the 11-year-old project is the brainchild of club member K.S. Ramesh.

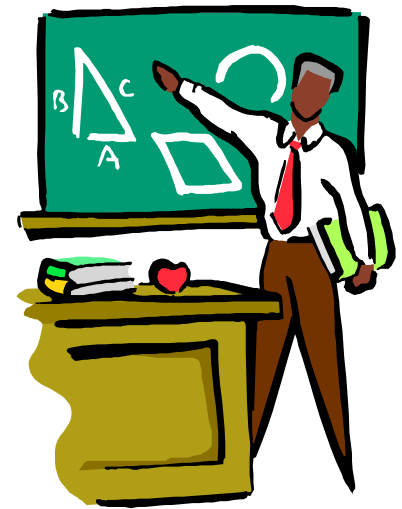
The idea came to Ramesh on a rainy April day in 1991. As he passed through a school campus during his morning walk, he noticed a large group of boys and girls huddled in the school's corridor studying in spite of the chilly weather and rain dripping from the broken tiles.

On enquiring, he found out that they were candidates waiting to sit an exam later that morning. Their homes were too far and transportation too inefficient and expensive for them to commute daily to the examination center. Each year, such students traveled to Chikmagalur, 40-50 kilometers away from their rural homes. During 12 days of preparing and appearing for examinations, they were forced to live in the open without rooms or toilet facilities.

Since 1992, the Lakshmidamma K. Surappa Setty Vysya Hostel, established with financial contributions from the Ramesh family trust, has been taking in poor students in need of accommodations during the examination season. At the hostel, students are provided with food, medical attention, and experienced teachers to assist with last-minute revision. To reward good performance at the exams, the initiative now offers an award to hostel wards who make top scores.

This year, the hostel took in 190 students. More than 1,700 children from poor rural families have benefited from the initiative since its inception in 1992.

Ramesh says that supporting the project every year is a good way for him to fulfill his obligations as a Rotarian. "I am part of the society and this obliges me to give back to the society," he says.



RAWUP deadline extended to 15 November

The RI Board of Directors recently revised the selection process for the Rotary Award for World Understanding and Peace (RAWUP), an annual award to recognize and honor a non-Rotarian or an organization for outstanding achievement consistent with the ideals and objectives of RI.

Individuals or organizations nominated must have made outstanding contributions through regional or international humanitarian efforts, a shift in focus on nominees who have affected great numbers of people beyond their own community. In addition, the geographic restrictions on nominees have been lifted, allowing all nominations to be considered, even if a recent winner was from the same country.

The RAWUP winner will be presented with a US\$100,000 grant to support a project of the recipient's choice at the 2004 RI Convention in Osaka, Japan, 23-26 May.

Any Rotarian in good standing may submit the name of one non-Rotarian candidate or organization for the award directly to RI World Headquarters by 15 November 2003, using the 2001-02 nomination form.

More details and nomination forms can be downloaded in .pdf format from the International Download Center on RI's home page or by contacting the RI Programs Department by phone: 847-866-4494; fax: 847-866-6116; or e-mail: Rlawards@rotaryintl.org. Nominations for the award should be sent to RI's Intercultural Programs and Recognition Section, One Rotary Center, 1560 Sherman Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201, USA.

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