



SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM DG DATO' JIMMY LIM

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Dear Rotarians,

November is a good time to complete your EREY, PHF donation form. The closing date for district awards for 100% EREY gross and per capita contribution is 31st March 2007.

Donations can be made directly to TRF (but keep us informed) or to PP Lim Kok Beng (EREY Chairman).

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Dato' Jimmy T. C. Lim

District Governor 2006/07

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USD100 is the minimum you should give to support the humanitarian work of Rotary.

Give a PHF or Major Donor if you can.

Note : Fellow members, please contact International Service Director Rtn Paul Ravelli or President David Teh if you wish to make a contribution

The Rotary Club Of Kuala Lumpur DiRaja

We meet at 12:30pm every Wednesday
at The Shangri La Hotel, Jalan Sultan Ismail, Kuala Lumpur.

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Club Announcement

1. The 72nd District 3300 Conference (5th to 7th January 2007)

Please register with PP Stuart Pack or PP William Lau as soon as possible.

Please contact the following Rotarians for

- (a) Advertisements – PP Frank Lim & Rtn Freddy Chan
- (b) Traders Fair – Rtn Steve Lau
- (c) Hotel Room Booking – PP William Lau
- (d) Sponsorship of goodies (for goodies bags) – PP Stuart Pack

2. PP Dato' L. Krishnan's Deepavali Open House

This is the first time PP Dato' Krishnan has invited members of the Club to join him and 1500 underprivileged children to his annual Deepavali Open House. This is truly a special occasion as Dato' Krishnan is celebrating his birthday on that day too (we're not revealing his young age!). The details of the function are as follows:-

Date: 21st October 2006 (Saturday)

Time: 5.00pm – 8.00pm

Venue: St. John Institution Hall, Jalan Bukit Nanas, Kuala Lumpur

3 Octoberfest Fellowship at HE Rtn Herbert Jess' Residence

This is the second year our fellow member Rtn Herbert and Rty Ann Micheline are hosting the event. You and your spouse (or partner) are cordially invited to this not-to-be-missed party! The details are as follows:-

Date: Tuesday, 31 October 2006

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: No 16, Jalan Kia Peng, 50450 Kuala Lumpur

Cost: RM30.00 per member (Donation to the Club as decided by the Board of Directors)

RSVP: PP Jason Gan or Secretary Freddy Chan before 23 October 2006

4. Scholarship Award Presentation

The presentation is now confirmed on Saturday, 4th November 2006, at the School Hall, Sekolah Menengah Agama, Kuala Selangor. The Deputy Minister of Education, YB Dato' Noh Haji Omar will be our guest of honor. A bus / van will be provided for this trip, please contact Rtn Halim @ 012-383 3755 / rtnhalim@streamyx.com for more details.

RY2006-2007 SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Avenue of service	Day of the Month	Time	Venue
Club Service	Every 3rd Thursday	6.00pm	Shangri-La Hotel
Vocational Service	Every 2nd Thursday	6.00pm	Wings Café@limkokwing 23, Jalan Sultan Ismail
Community Service	Every 4th Tuesday	6.00pm	Wings Café@ limkokwing 23, Jalan Sultan Ismail
International Service	Every 2nd Wednesday	2.00pm	Shangri-La Hotel
New Generations Svc	Every 3rd Wednesday	2.00pm	Shangri-La Hotel
Fellowship	Every 1st Wednesday	2.00pm	Shangri-La Hotel



Weekly Proceedings on 11th October 2006

Meeting Convener: AG Dr. Lee Hock Bee
National Anthem & Loyal Toast: Rtn Mohd Ridza
Welcoming guests: SAA Rtn Richard English
Introducing Speaker: Rtn Attan Akmar
Speaker: Y Bhg Tan Sri Datuk G Gnanalingam, Executive Chairman of Westport Malaysia
Topic: The Logistics Business
Thanking Speaker: PP Lim Eng Ho

Visiting Rotarians
PP Peter Holzer, RC of Balsthal, Switzerland
Rtn Janey Hua of RC Lung Chaw (Taiwan)

Visiting Guests
Mr. Kevin Wong, Guest of Rtn Freddy Chan

A CAPTAIN WITH A GREAT VISION

During the second week of the Vocational Service Month, we were privileged to have with us the Executive Chairman of Westport Malaysia, Y Bhg Tan Sri Datuk G Gnanalingam as our guest speaker. Tan Sri talked about his illustrious career of over 40 years with Westport Malaysia and he also showed us the remarkable progress that the Westport has made over the years. It's no surprise that Westport has won numerous international and regional awards under his leadership.

One of the most striking statements that Tan Sri made was "...treat your staff as Kings, so that they can treat your customers as Queens..." It is no wonder that Westport was voted as the Best Employer of the Year in 2004.

We are certainly proud of the achievements that Westport has made under the helm of Tan Sri Datuk Gnanalingam's stewardship. Malaysia Boleh!



Rtn Attan introducing our distinguished speaker,
Tan Sri Datuk G. Gnanalingam



'Treat your staff like Kings,
so that they can treat your customers like Queens...



PP Lim Eng Ho thanking the speaker



Members congratulating Tan Sri Datuk Gnanalingam
for a great talk on the Westport

ROTARY IN THE REGION

'BOOKS FOR ASIA' – RM 1.2 MILL. DONATION FOR THAILAND

The Asia Foundation's longest running programme, Books for Asia, has donated over 80,000 English-language books to hundreds of Thai schools in communities affected by the tsunami. This collection of mostly primary and secondary level books and education materials was made possible by a donation from Scholastic Canada. Together, students, teachers, parents, and Scholastic Book Fairs Canada, were proud to support the tsunami relief effort. This donation was distributed in partnership with Books for Thailand, The Asia Foundation's partner in Thailand since 1996, and Rotary Club of Patong Beach.

Shipped from Books for Asia in San Francisco, the books arrived in Thailand earlier this year, where they were received by Books for Thailand and sorted by the Rotary Club of Patong Beach. Through its network of members and resources in Rotary District 3330, the Rotary Club identified recipient schools in need as well as coordinated local high school students and other volunteers to help sort the shipment of approximately 190 titles. These books will not only restock libraries that were destroyed by the tsunami, they will also reach remote communities that previously did not have access to children's books, much less English-language materials. This donation responds to an increasing interest in learning English among young students and provides colourful children's picture books and education resources.

Courtesy The Asia Foundation

THE WORLD OF ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

RI SEEKS TO END POLIO IN 4 NATIONS

Polio has been all but eradicated in most of the world, but persists in Nigeria, India, Pakistan and Afghanistan, according to Rotary International officials working to wipe out the disease.

"Until we clear those four (countries), we still have problems on virus going over the borders into a neighbouring country," said Bill Boyd, president of Rotary International, a non-profit service organisation that has worked more than 20 years on polio eradication.

Rotary International is a leading partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative that includes the World Health Organisation, UNICEF and the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention. Since 1980, Rotary has spent more than \$600 million to vaccinate over 2 billion children in 122 countries.

Last year, the world moved several critical milestones closer to polio eradication, including an end to West and Central Africa's epidemic. There were still 1,252 cases reported this year, including 809 cases in Nigeria, 297 in India, 28 in Afghanistan and 19 in Pakistan.

Mr Boyd said the cases could have been prevented, but in August 2003, the Nigerian Muslim leaders of Kano said the United States had laced the vaccine with drugs to cause infertility. Villages went unvaccinated and cases doubled. Nigerian strains then spread to 16 other nations that had once been polio-free.

"It's not a difficult process to give those two special drops (of oral vaccines)," Mr Boyd said at the National Press Club recently. "What is difficult is that you make sure you get to every child."

In addition to the endemic countries, nine countries have reported cases in 2006, including Somalia, Yemen, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Niger, Nepal, Democratic Republic of Congo and Namibia. Egypt and Niger were declared polio-free last February.

"Though there are political and security issues", Mr Boyd said, "you've got to immunise at least 90 percent of the under-5-year-olds". He went on that "eradicating polio can be completed rapidly, except in Nigeria where the immunisation is under 60 percent. Nigeria will take an additional year before the nation can be certified polio-free".

Courtesy The Washington Times



SNAPSHOTS FROM THE 15TH WEEKLY MEETING



President David Teh calling for support for the coming Scholarship Award Presentation on 4th November



International Service Director Paul Ravelli urging members to become PHFs and also contribute to EREY



It's still Vocational Service Month...
Rtn Halim telling the members what to expect next week



Old friends catching up on old times...



Visiting Rotarian Janey Hua from Taiwan with Rtn Uwe



International Service Committee Meeting after the luncheon meeting