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FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

An open letter from the President

The Rotary Club of Kuala Lumpur Di Raja will celebrate the start of the centennial year of Rotary with the "show of the century".

**Festival of Music
Centennial Project,
23rd, 28th February
& 6th March, 2004
Auditorium DBKL**



On Monday, 23rd February 2004, (a public holiday) starting at 9.00 a.m., about 250 of the best of our musicians aged between 8 and 23 years will play traditional instrumental Malay, Chinese, Indian and East Malaysian music the whole day.

The District Governor, Dr. Mahinder Singh launched the Festival. The auditorium in the City Hall, Jalan Raja Laut in Kuala Lumpur reverberated with music from the best teams selected by the various schools and teachers teaching traditional instrumental music in the Klang Valley and surrounding areas.

This may be the first time in the world that Malay, Chinese, Indian and East Malaysian traditional instrumental music is played in a festival like this. The semi-finals will be on Saturday 28th February 2004 at 2.00 p.m. The Finals will be on Saturday, 6th March 2004 at 8.00 p.m with His Royal Highness, DYMM Sultan Selangor as the Guest of Honour.

I hope that you will attend the Festival on all the 3 days, together with your wife and children. It will be an occasion for the whole family to celebrate, enjoy and have fun. Music soothes the mind. Music excites. Music educates. Music can sway and carry away men, women and children. Our traditional music will be revived and revitalized. It will be given a boost it has never received before. Culture and heritage are a nation's and peoples' soul. Knowing and understanding different cultures will promote understanding and goodwill.

Please indicate on which days you will come to Rotarian Nor Halim Yusoff.

So Yours in Rotary service,
A. Kanesalingam,
President.

Birthday Boys

PP Sou Yong on 25.2.2004

Rtn Frank Lee Fang Hsin on 27.2.2004

Anns Birthdays

None

Wedding Anniversaries

PP Dato' Dr. Sir Low Bin Tick & Lee Kim Mooi on 27.2.2004



Secretary's Announcements for Lunch Meeting on 25.02.2004

Meetings of the Service Committees

- Community Service Meeting will be held on **25.2.2004 at 530pm** at Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

- Vocational service Meeting will be held on **3.3.2004 at 2.00pm** at Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

- New Generation Service Meeting will be held on **9.3.2004 at 5.30pm** at Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

- Bard of Director Meeting will be held on **2.3.2004 at 5.30pm** Shangri La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur.

Notices

This Week's Speaker

His Excellency Rotarian Juergen Staks will chair a 30 minutes OPEN FORUM of speakers from the floor on the following subject: ***"Can Rotary Clubs do more to promote international understanding and goodwill given their substantial current contribution both tangible and intangible"***

Lunch Time Speakers Programme

- Dr Loh Chit Sin, urologist at Gleneagles, has put us down for 10th March. The presentation on erectile dysfunction should prove to be very stimulating and no doubt lift more than our spirits!

- Mr R.Sivarasa a lawyer has agreed to give a talk to our club on "Human Rights & the Economy". Date to be announced.

Photographs from Weekly Meeting On 18.02.2004



President Kanes presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to Rtn David Wong who is resigning from the Club because of poor health. Rtn Wong has introduced 3 persons to the Club namely Dr William Lau, Lim Eng Ho and Keow Hock Sneah who all became President of the Club.



Past President Chan Kam Fatt calling on Members to contribute and participate in the Festival of Music, the President's Project which opens on 23rd February and ends on 6th March 2004.



Dato' Seri Akbar Khan chairing the final meeting of the organising committee for the Festival of Music with Past President Lim Eng Ho.



President Elect Dr Lee Hock Bee, Rtn Horst Wippert, Past President Vincent Wong and Rtn Tony Lu enjoying fellowship during the meeting.

The Opening of the President Projects



District Governor Dr Mahinder Singh opening the Festival of Music with Master of Ceremony Rtn Attan Akmar, President Kanes and Organising Chairman Dato' Seri Akbar Khan.



Rtn Attan, Organising Chairman Dato' Seri Akbar Khan and Past President Frank Lim.



Past President Stuart Pack and Ann Foong.



Past President L Krishnan and Ann Rukumani.



Rotarians appropriately dressed in batik listening to the performance of young musicians.



A participating team in the Indian Section.



A participating team in the Malay Section.



A participating team in the Chinese Section.

CELEBRATE ROTARY 100 YEARS

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

One hundred years of Rotary fellowship and service is great cause for celebration, and during our centennial year of 2004-05, I will ask all Rotarians to join with me to Celebrate Rotary. We will celebrate our enormous success toward achieving a polio free world — our gift to the children of the world and all the children to come. We will celebrate a century of growth and expansion, 1.2 million members serving in 166 countries of the world. And we will celebrate the warm Rotarian fellowship that inspires our service and fuels our dedication. Hundred years of experience. First and foremost, let us Celebrate Rotary by putting Service Above Self.



I hope that you will share this celebratory spirit with our entire Rotary family and everyone who has been touched by Rotary — our Ambassadorial Scholars, Rotaractors and Interactors, Youth Exchange Students, GSE team members, and the many thousands of people whose lives have been enhanced by our humanitarian efforts. Let us also invite the communities we serve to join in our celebration. The Centennial Community Projects are an excellent way to publicize the Rotary Centennial locally and leave a lasting memento of this anniversary in thousands of communities worldwide.

A hundred years is an important milestone — one that few organizations reach. It signifies that Rotary is doing something right and that the need for Rotary service remains strong. There are many "secrets" to our success — the fellowship derived from weekly meetings and a shared cause, our internationality that opens doors and hearts throughout the world, and the structure that allows us to accomplish so much more as a group than any of us could achieve on our own.

Rotary's early beginnings in a Chicago mining engineer's office in 1905 forecast little of what was to come. Today, Rotary International stands poised to enter its second century of service as one of the world's most influential and effective nongovernmental organizations. Our PolioPlus program, the Rotary Centers for International Studies in peace and conflict resolution, our many international humanitarian efforts, and the countless outstanding club and district projects worldwide demonstrate Rotary's contribution to achieving a better, more peaceful world. With a heightened awareness of Rotary's potential, let us enter our second century of service prepared to take on new challenges and go the distance until they are met. Let us Celebrate Rotary by rededicating ourselves to service — in our clubs, our vocations, our communities, and our world.

Glenn E. Estess Sr,
President, Rotary International 2004-05

One Minute Wisdom

Said the Master:

"When you were in the womb you were silent.
Then you were born and began to talk, talk, talk
till the day you are laid in your tomb.
Then you will once again be silent."

"Capture that silence which was there in the womb
and will be there in the tomb and even now underlies
this interval of noise called life, that silence is your deepest essence."



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