



BERITA ROTARY

From Business Woman to Artist (Speaker: Ms Charlotte Donvang)

An enthusiastic and bubbly Charlotte Donvang began her talk with a short video show in which she talks about herself, her background and how she made it to the world of art. Those who missed the video because they arrived late or were talking too much (on their mobile phones or with their neighbours) can view it on her website (www.donvang.com).

number of prizes for creative ideas and solutions. Her clients included well-known brands like Colgate-Palmolive, Kodak, Sprite and Skoda.

Having lived in England and Thailand for a number of years, she moved to Malaysia when her English husband was posted here in 2003. During her time in Thailand, rather than being a bored expatriate wife, she stated one of Thailand's first e-commerce business ventures where she was selling very uniquely designed jewellery made in Thailand to the world market. Since her arrival in Malaysia she became involved in the wellness industry, studied TCM meridian massage, quasa and cupping. She also became a trained Reiki Master. All this eventually led her to focussing her life on creating colourful art which she hopes will bring pleasure and joy to others as well as giving herself fulfilment.



The speaker Ms Charlotte Donvang

On her website she describes herself as flamboyant and colourful. And that she certainly was, looking at her attire and listening to her as she went on to talk about her art, recent and current art shows and how she came to settle (temporarily) in Malaysia.

Born in Denmark, she grew up in an environment of art. Her mother, artist and arts teacher Jettie Herne, and her grandfather, artist Herne Nielsen, provided formal art teaching from childhood on. She studied economics and became involved in advertising. Over the years she held different positions in major international advertising agencies and won a



It is her ambition to bring colours and arts to the wider audience and in her works, she is capturing and conveying energy moments, moods, beings and messages... with the help of colours and geometric and sacred symbols.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS / DIARY

COMMITTEE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP

COMMITTEE

Meeting every 2nd Wednesday of the month

CLUB ADMINISTRATION

COMMITTEE

Meeting every 1st Wednesday of the month (immediately after luncheon meeting)

SERVICE PROJECTS

COMMITTEE

Meeting every 3rd and 4th Wednesday of the month (immediately after club meeting)

CLUB

ANNOUNCEMENTS

83rd Installation Banquet

Date: 20 June 2010

Venue: Shangri-La Hotel

Programme: To be advised

Watch this space for further details

Wednesday Speakers / Events Diary

10.03.

No venue - Meeting shifted to 12.03.

12.03.

Club Meeting and Club Assembly

Date: 1800 hrs (6.00 pm)

Venue: Ibunda Restaurant, 251 Jalan Bukit Bintang

17.03.

TBA

24.03.

Adjourned EGM (New Constitution and Bylaws)

31.03.

TBA

DISTRICT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

District Assembly

The 76th District Assembly will be held as follows:

Date:

16-18 April 2010

Venue:

Sunway Resort Hotel & Spa, Selangor

Host Club:

RC Bandar Sunway

Partner Clubs:

RCs Port Klang, Kelana Jaya, USJ, Central Damansara, Damansara West, and Puchong

PROGRAMME

HIGHLIGHTS

16 April:

Bowling, Registration, PETS/SETS/TETS, Fellowship Dinner

17 April:

Opening Ceremony, Plenary Sessions, Workshops, Spouses' Programme and Governor's Banquet

18 April:

Plenary Sessions, Closing Ceremony and Farewell Lunch

Register online or via Hon. Secretary Mohd Ridza Abdullah



BERITA ROTARY WEEKLY PROCEEDINGS

3 March 2010

ATTENDANCE / ON DUTY

RCKL Rotarians: 37
 RCKL Rotarian -
 Make Ups:
 Convener: Rtn Lim Che Wan
 Sergeant-At-Arms: VP Nor Halim
 Nat. Anthem & Loyal: Rtn Gerald Lee
 Toast:
 Speaker: Mrs Charlotte Donvang
 Topic: From Business Woman to Artist
 Introduction: Rtn Ajmal Khan
 Closing Remarks: Rtn Uwe Ahrens

BIRTHDAYS/WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <u>Birthdays</u> | <u>Wedding Anniversaries</u> |
| 11.03. - PP Kulasegaran | 12.03. - PP Kunhi Mohd |

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS

Rotarians

PP Ken Woodgate (RC Tawa, Wellington / NZ)
 PP Chung Tze Hien (RC Gombak)

Omitted in Berita Rotary 32 (24.03.2010)

PP Ken Woodgate (RC Tawa, Wellington / NZ)
 IPP Tom Thong (RC Shanghai)
 Rtn C.E. Hornbuckle (RC Shenandoah, Iowa / USA)
 Rtn Pradeep Mafatlal (RC Bombay)
 Rtn Suresh Trivedi (RC Bombay Central)

Invited Guests

Ms Charlotte Donvang - speaker
 Mr Per Brandzag - guest of Rtn Uwe Ahrens

Omitted in Berita Rotary 32 (24.03.2010)

Ms Tan - guest of PP Tom Thong
 Mr Gus Takow (RACKL) - guest of Rtn Hardeep Singh
 Mr Radzi Yusof)
 Ms Nadiyah) - guests of VP Nor Halim
 Mr Takao Naguma)
 Ms Jenny Yeng) - guests of Rtn David Law
 Mr P K Chua)



Convener Rtn Lim Che Wan
(back in command)



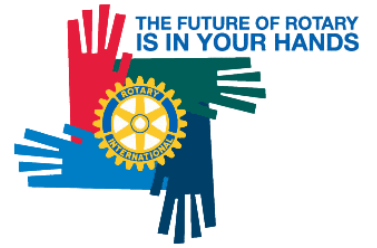
Rtn Gerald Lee (Negaraku,
Loyal Toast and Club Song)



Stand-in Sergeant-at-Arms VP
Halim



Happy Birthday!
(PDG Beh Lye Huat, PP Dr Low
Bin Tick and Rtn Dr John Thava)



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Her first 'local' paintings appeared at an Italian restaurant that opened last year and they subsequently ended up on the walls of that restaurant. This was followed by two solo exhibitions entitled "A Tribute to Colour and Life" and "A Taste of Art". And in November 2009, she exhibited her vibrant collection 'New Beginnings' at a VIP dinner with the Malaysian Danish Business Council and former Danish Foreign Minister Uffe Ellermann-Jensen as the guest speaker.

The certificate of appreciation presented to Charlotte Donvang by Rtn Uwe Ahrens looked distinctly pedestrian compared to her colourful and vibrant paintings. But it is the thought that counts.....



Certificate of Appreciation being presented to the speaker

Gong Xi Fa Cai the RC KL Way!

(By PE Andy Khoo)

On 23 February 2010, about 160 members and guests of our club were treated to the annual Chinese New Year dinner party by RC KL DiRaja's ethnic Chinese members. Coincidentally, this date was also the 105th anniversary of Rotary International.

Food was an 8-course dinner painstakingly selected by "Mr Rotary", PP Lim Eng Ho (who also generously contributed large juicy oranges for each table), and all who attended generally agreed it was delicious.



Unity in diversity RCKL style... perfect, well almost



PP Eng Ho's oranges feature prominently before an 'almost all red attired' group

This year, the event was held at Maju Palace restaurant which the Organizing Committee took pains to decorate with red lanterns and miniature lions.

The traditional lion dance was substituted this year with a video clip of a dragon dance

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Who is Charlotte Donvang?



- Born in Denmark
- Daughter of Danish artist Jettie Herne
- Granddaughter of Danish artist Herne Nielson
- Studied economics at Copenhagen Business School
- Career in international marketing and advertising
- Lived in England and Thailand
- Started one of Thailand's first e-commerce businesses
- Moved to Malaysia in 2003
- Became active in the health and wellness industry
- Formed SSMart Group (for people who enjoy arts of all kinds)
- Married to British engineer Dave Park



Rtn Ajmal introducing the speaker



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held at night in Thailand. This clip showed the dragon costume brilliantly adorned in lights for dazzling effect against the darkness. Entertainment was instead provided by the music duo of Kenny and Gan, who regaled the audience throughout the night with a mix of English oldies and Chinese songs appropriate for the occasion.

We were fortunate to see many long-missing faces like PPs Dato' Dr Lam Peng Chong, Dato' Dr Jagjit Singh Sambhi, and Jason Gan (who contributed generously to help fund the cost of the event); and Rtns Lau Pak Fatt, Choy Hon Nang and Sou Yong among the revel-makers. It was also an honour to have Toh Puan Jay (Rotary Ann of the late PDG Dato' Jaffar Ali) and Mrs Jessie Wang (Rotary Ann of the late PDG John Wang) joining the event as the club's special guests.

members in giving out ang-pows to the delight of the children of Rotarians and guests. PDG Dato' Beh was so overjoyed to be selected for this role that he actually thanked the Organizing Committee.

On behalf of the guests and non-Chinese members of the club, the President thanked the Organizing Committee (PPs Lim Eng Ho and Dr Lee Hock Bee, Rtn Dato' Victor Lim and several others) and the Chinese members for their efforts in hosting a most enjoyable event to kick-start 2010.



No function is complete without lovely ladies



Special guests among old friends

PDG Dato' Beh Lye Huat represented the Chinese



'Uncle Angpow' – a happy PDG Beh Lye Huat



The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



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RI NEWS

Empowering People through Literacy

(Message from the Foundation Trustee Chair - March 2010)



In Rotary, we recognize March as Literacy Month. This is when we focus on the

importance of literacy and education in our humanitarian service. In my decades as a Rotarian, both at home in Alabama, USA, and abroad, I have seen again and again what a critical role literacy plays in a healthy and productive life. Being literate does not just mean having the ability to read a book or a newspaper. Being literate means being able to comprehend the instructions on a medicine bottle, a set of directions, or a job posting. It means understanding the note written by a child's teacher. It means being able to use a computer, follow a recipe, or apply for a mortgage.

Literacy means being part of the larger society. It means inclusion, and it means empowerment.

Those who cannot read or write, whether they are children or adults, are cut off from important information in ways too numerous to count. They are less likely to be healthy and more likely to be poor. And perhaps most critical of all, parents who cannot read are more likely to raise children who cannot read – perpetuating the cycle of illiteracy, and of poverty.

As a Rotarian and in my profession, I have seen so many simple and creative ways to break this cycle. Whether it is by volunteering in schools, by bringing education and training to adults, or simply by ensuring that all children have the books and supplies they need, we in Rotary can do so much. We can help others learn to read – and learn to help themselves.

Glenn E. Estess Sr.
Foundation Trustee Chair



Membership chair Rtn Adenan getting inspiration from a local newspaper



Semi-permanent visitor PP Ken Woodgate with IPP Francis Chan and Rtn John Thava



Good to see you again, PDG Jimmy Lim (with Rtns Raymond Tan and Dr Frank Tan)



Welcome back, Rtns Theo Paauw, John Suh and Alex Wong