

PEEJAY POST

Monthly Newsletter of Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya

ROTARY CALENDAR

**August 2021 is
Membership and
New Club
Development
Month**



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you are loved beyond words and miss beyond measure.
A life that touches others, goes on forever.

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*"Rotary's strength lies in the sincerity of purpose of its members."
~ Estes Sandeen, Rotary Club of Portland, Oregon, USA - 1921, Rotary Convention*



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"I believe that if we can get prospective members to help us with a project ... the rest will take care of itself. They will realize that they made a difference in someone's life."

~ 2014 Rotary International President Ron Burton

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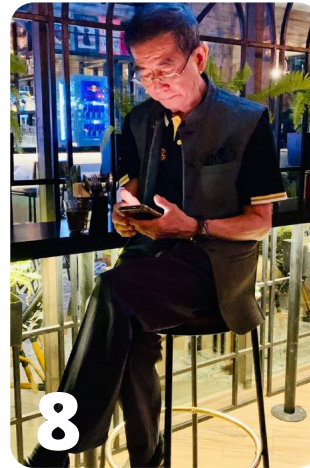


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(1st Tues (off)/

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From the Desk of the President.

My Scoop

Amidst chaos and uncertainty surrounding nations, the vocational call of Rotary Clubs around the world has been Service Above Self, and the clarion call has not waned. The Covid-19 pandemic has not excluded Malaysia from the equation of uncertainty. Rotary Clubs in District 3300 have been heavily involved with rendering assistance to families and communities mainly through food and medical aid.

Over the past month, the Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya (RCPJ) dispatched an immediate response to the cries of despair, hunger and hopelessness in our Covid-19 affected communities. Through our timely and impactful contributions, we distributed medical consumable supplies worth RM10,000.00 sponsored by Kok's Dental Surgery comprising personal protective equipment (PPEs) of 4-ply face masks, N95 face masks, face shields, aprons and boot covers. The beneficiaries included Pusat Perubatan Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Klinik Kesihatan Kelana Jaya, and Klinik Kesihatan Tangkak, Johor. Adult diapers were supplied to Hospital Sungai Buloh for the Intensive Care Unit.

Next, in collaboration with the Lotus Family Restaurant, RCPJ distributed 1,250 snack packs in a single day to medical-frontliners as a token of appreciation and gratitude for their tireless efforts. The recipients of these included Hospital Selayang, Hospital Kuala Lumpur, Hospital Ampang, and Angkatan Pertahanan Awam Malaysia.

While busy with these projects, RC Wattala from Sri Lanka initiated a joint-meeting with RCPJ. It was a cultural exchange meeting that saw the involvement of our Interactors and Rotaractors as well as the Rotaractors under RC Wattala. The young people shared about each country's culture and heritage covering varieties of food, traditional clothing, festivities celebrated by various ethnic groups, places of interest and cultural practices. Through this meeting our youth were opportune to experience a virtual cultural exchange with Sri Lanka, given that student exchange programmes have been temporarily halted due to the pandemic.

“

The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honourable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.

— *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

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From the Desk of the President.

My Scoop

It was an enjoyable evening with much chatter and laughter that followed after the formalities of the meeting were completed. Our Sri Lankan counterparts were thoroughly impressed with the RCPJ members who were beautifully dressed in various traditional outfits. We were a hit!

Sometime towards mid-August, we were blessed literally, by a truckload of kindness of biscuits and snacks through the generosity of Mr Yeow from Teck Huat, KL. The beneficiaries of this generous contribution were Rumah Charis, a home for the aged and children; the Kampung Chempaka Chinese Temple, Malaysian Association of the Blind, David's Food Bank, Pusat Jagaan Kanak-Kanak Ekliptik Klang, and the Rotary Blessing Shelves.

Presently, RCPJ continues to manage six Blessing Shelves around the Klang Valley by regularly replenishing stocks whenever required.

Apart from our planned projects, there were several ad hoc projects which included donation of rice bags to the Malaysian Association of the Blind, assisting a young family with the children's school fees for the Religious School, the repair cost of a motorcycle, and donation of food packages to needy families.

We continued with our regular meetings and public webinars for the month apart from service to the community. On 17th August, our guest speaker was PAG Mohamad Abdullah, from RC Pantai Valley, who spoke on the Rotary Education Fund (REF). The objective of the REF programme is to mentor students for about 3 to 4 years. Both mentors and students have to be engaged in training sessions.

The Rotary Blessing Shelf continues to expand throughout District 3300 since it was first launched in January 2021. On 23rd August, we celebrated the launch of the 23rd Blessing Shelf in Kuchai Lama with coordinated efforts between Rotary Club of Sri Petaling and RCPJ. It certainly was a great day to remember of happy teamwork between both the clubs.

In the second meeting and public webinar for the month, the guest speaker was Khoo Cai Lin, a former Olympian who spoke on her life and journey as an Olympian. It was moderated by President-elect Nicholas Chan. On that same day, the Group 13 Assistant Governor, Judy Chong visited and briefed the club on the upcoming DG's visit on 20th September. She also commended RCPJ's efforts and contributions during this critical pandemic.

From the Desk of the President.

My Scoop

Additionally, we had a joint meeting with RC Taipei Ever Young, our Taiwanese sister club. It was a unique gathering as it was the first time I attended a Rotary meeting conducted all the way in Mandarin. The guest speaker for the lunch meeting was none other than our Immediate Past President, Victor Lee. His presentation mainly covered the business and economic opportunities in Malaysia.

On 28th August, RCPJ organised a tribute in loving memory of the late PDG David Ho. The memorial was attended by immediate family members, members of RCPJ, members from our overseas sister clubs as well as close friends of the bereaved.

That wasn't it all, RCPJ through the generous contribution of members sponsored a 2nd-year student of Inti University who was stranded to pay up his remaining tuition fees of RM14,000 due to the sudden passing of his beloved father, the sole breadwinner of the home. A friend appealed to us on behalf of the student and very quickly funds were raised. Due to the student's sudden predicament, we appealed to Inti University, and they obligingly gave him a discount in fees.

To bid farewell to the month of August 2021, another round of 200 snack packs were distributed to medical frontliners. This time to the Kuala Lumpur Putra World Trade Centre Vaccination Centre, an initiative sponsored by Rotarian Marian Kathleen Fonseka.

RCPJ also distributed biscuits and snacks to 200 people of the Malaysian Association of the Blind Kinta, Ipoh together with PP Olivia Lim and Dato Wong who sponsored this initiative.

Another round of biscuits and cookies were also distributed to the House of Joy and the Rotary Blessing Shelves through the generosity of Mr Yeow.

Our labour was not in vain.

Despite being faced with the many challenges, I feel proud that RCPJ managed to overcome many difficult tasks this August brought, yet was very fruitful and productive in fulfilling its community service objectives. The key was teamwork, joint concerted efforts and coordination. A simple servant's heart and teamwork with humility paved the way to successful projects.

I go to bed at night with a heart of thanksgiving and contentment. And I'm grateful for all your fast-moving and kind support. You know who you are and I thank each one of you.

Rotary does not have a place for actors or performers, self-seeking individuals, egoistic, or chauvinistic characters. It is definitely a place for People of Action. I remind myself we can still endeavor to push ourselves further to go that extra mile....

Our activities have given profound clarity to our objectives. Its manifest actions reflected in our teamwork, our cohesiveness, determination to bring these acts of charity in helping our community needs. This August we have been able to give them a sense of concrete hope....that somebody somewhere cares.

I thank you for your compassion and courage.



A Tribute to PDG David Ho

-- By President Melisa Francis --

The Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya honours the life and distinguished leadership of Past District Governor (PDG) David Ho Kwong Choong, who served as District Governor in Rotary Year 1996-1997, and as President in Rotary Year 1977-1978. Our beloved PDG David Ho passed away peacefully on July 23, 2021, leaving a legacy of positive experiences for anyone who took the time to know him – which wasn't a hard thing to do.

David Ho studied in Methodist Boys School (MBS), Kuala Lumpur and was a very active scout. He left MBS and went on to join Royal Military College in 1957.

David was inducted into the Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya on 24 September 1968, proposed by the late PP Rupert Goldman. At 27 years and being the youngest member of the club back then, RCPJ gladly welcomed his membership. David's participation in club activities was curtailed by the May 13th 1969 events soon after the induction. The club was not able to meet for a while and in 1970, David was seconded by his employers, Beecham, to serve at the company's headquarters in London for two years. David was granted leave of absence for that period until he returned to being an active member in 1973.

Being energetic and vibrant, David was assigned to be Rotary Advisor to the Interact Clubs as well as the Rotaract Club of Petaling Jaya for many years and was eventually elected to serve as Director of Youth Service, presently known as New Gens. At that time, the number of Interact Clubs sponsored by RCPJ were among the highest in the District. Many of the Rotaractors went on to become Rotarians and most of them became members of our daughter club, the Rotary Club of Shah Alam.



At the AGM of 1977, David was elected to serve as the Club's 18th President, to succeed then IPP Dr N Ganesan because then Vice President Eric Gan was unable to take office as President as he was in the process of immigrating to Australia (the office of President-elect did not exist in those days).



A Tribute to PDG David Ho

-- By President Melisa Francis --



Thereafter David's interest in community service grew into a lifelong passion, which was second to none, and remains a great inspiration to many in the Rotary family.

The late PP Abu Mansor visited David after he became President to share his concerns about the diminishing camaraderie within the club. Previously, members knew each other's spouse and children by name. And to revive the fellowship and bonding amongst members, PP Abu Mansor conceived the idea of having a fancy dress charity cycle-athon followed by a carnival to raise funds. Unfortunately in 1979, during the second day of Chinese New Year, while on holiday in Kuantan at the New Straits Times bungalow, PP Abu Mansor and his wife Leila drowned in a swimming accident.

IPP Dr N Ganesan took over the Chairman of the Charity Cycle-athon and ran it in the same spirit as conceived by the Late PP Abu Mansor. A total of RM 97,000 was raised. The secondary objective of reconnecting with all RCPJ members' spouses and children proved successful.

Since then, David Ho always advocated service through fellowship.

Fellowship is the cornerstone of Rotary. Known to be "The Noisiest Rotary Club", RCPJ was renowned for its fellowship throughout the District comprising Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei at that time. Back then all committee meetings were hosted in the homes of Rotarians regardless of its size and spouses and children were invited too. Rotary Ann's organised 'pot luck' meals whenever the hostesses were unable to cope with the cooking and everyone chipped in to help with the washing and clearing to ease the host.

PDG David Ho recalled an occasion he hosted in his home. There was a storm that day so everyone and everything had to be moved into the house from the small compound. Space was tight and some even sat on the staircase. Although somewhat embarrassed by the situation, but the closeness and togetherness amongst members was tangible which made the fellowship warmer.

A Tribute to PDG David Ho

-- By President Melisa Francis --

The late PDG David Ho reminisced that some of them knew each other for three to four decades, or even longer. This friendship was the result of fellowship. They socialised together, played games, travelled and engaged in various fun and enjoyable activities together which matured and grew from just being fellow Rotarians to a close bond of friendship. Over the years that fellowship has reduced despite having fewer members than it previously did. RCPJ could rekindle this spirit of camaraderie.

During PDG David's term leading District 3300, he remained focused primarily on things central to Rotary's vision: people and the communities. One of his greatest contributions was that he encouraged women participation in Rotary. He built upon Rotary's pursuit of diversity and equity. Today, the very diversity that may produce conflict also forms a great reservoir of human potential.



You may or may not have known PDG David Ho personally, but one thing is certain, he was highly respected for his commitment and dedication to Rotary service.

What was his most admirable trait that we fellow Rotarians and friends can learn from?

A great role model, a visionary, and a caring man who loved life. David's contributions were powerful and his work ethics more than remarkable. His awards and public recognitions reveal that his, was a distinguished journey of considerable impact!

He was my assigned mentor when I joined the Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya. It was a privilege for me to have been a part of our beloved PDG David's life in this Rotary journey. Although much too short, but certainly, a life well lived!

Today, let us learn from his passionate contributions to Rotary and build on his legacy.

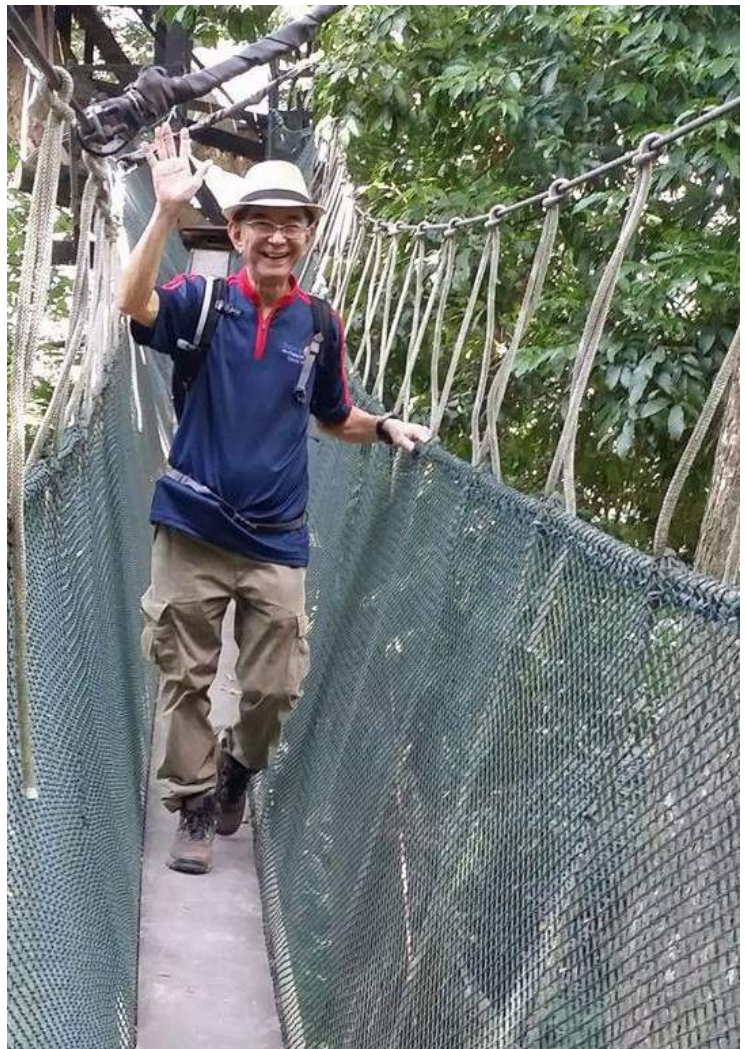
ALWAYS REMEMBERED PDG David Ho

--- By Past President Teo Woon Hud ---

Our beloved PDG David Ho. If it weren't for him I wouldn't have met so many good friends in Rotary. Some became very close family friends too. David was the one who proposed me to Rotary in 1979.

He also introduced me to another great organisation, the Freemason's in 1982. David was the President of RCPJ when I was inducted 42 years ago at the Penthouse of Jaya Puri Hotel now known as PJ Hilton. His knowledge and passion of both Rotary and Freemason needs no elaboration.

Everyone who knew David would agree with me he was a walking dictionary of both fraternities. In the earlier days, we used to pronounce his name, Ho Kwong Choong as Ho Chow Chon 酒瓶 which means, Ho the liquor bottle as he was well known for his drinking prowess. He could mix a variety of liquor be it whisky, beer, wine, brandy, vodka, etc. and drink everybody under the table.



He was one among those who exposed me to drinking alcoholic beverages around the age of thirty. Prior to that, I wouldn't even touch a drop of liquor, not even beer. That was the only so-called sin that I learned from him but I've no regrets at all. Since the day I knew him, we have been travelling together very regularly for leisure and on Rotary trips both locally and abroad. That's where I met so many good friends and Rotarians in RC Temerloh and RC Tampin amongst other outstation Rotary Clubs members.

ALWAYS REMEMBERED PDG David Ho

--- By Past President Teo Woon Hud ---



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you are loved beyond words and miss beyond measure.
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PP Kamijo formerly from RC Ichihara, Japan also became a very good friend through David's introduction. Those who have travelled with David would know that his travel buddies always adjourned to his hotel room for a night cap and the night cap would last till the wee hours of the morning. David and I were so close as the Chinese saying goes, we wore and shared the same trousers. Over the years, I learned a lot from him especially his meticulous behavior, mainly to be always on time for appointments and meetings, as well as to tidy up things around. I also learned from him to voice out whenever things were not right especially concerning Rotary matters.

Our children grew up together when they were young kids and now they are adults and have their own families. There were so many, many fond memories that I could go on and on recollecting.

But I must mention at least one that David and some of us enjoyed very much in RCPJ.

In the late '70s and early '80s, a group of us in RCPJ used to gather together for exercises and games. We would always find reasons to gather and enjoy happy hour drinking sessions together, taking turns to drink at each other's homes or coffee shops. Some of the older members may recall some of the members that were close to David.



ALWAYS REMEMBERED PDG DAVID HO

--- By Past President Teo Woon Hud ---



PDG David Ho was the Governor of D3300 in RY1996/97
Theme : Build The Future With Action and Vision

The original group comprised Andrew Chan, who later resigned, Tan Joon Siew who migrated to the USA, and the late Teoh Kim Theam. Those still around but resigned or left the Club are PDG Low Teong, PP Michael Toh, PP Koh Kia Heong, and PP Michael Chua. The original group left behind in RCPJ are only PAG Ong See Seng and myself. PAG Dato Kevin Yong and PAG Capt H S Dharan and one or two more joined us years later.

As mentioned earlier my family was very close to David's family that is, Elsie, Nick, Onna and Lengna. Karen was also close to Elsie since day they first got to know each other. My family and I will surely miss David. No matter where David Ho Chow Chon 酒瓶 is, his spirit will always remain with us. In life, we never lose a friend, we only learn who are the true ones. David, thank you being a friend, comrade and mentor.

The longest serving member of Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya



PDG David Ho joined RCPJ on **24 September 1968**
He has served in RCPJ and the community for **53 years**



ALWAYS REMEMBERED PDG DAVID HO



There are no good-byes! Wherever you are,
you will always be in our hearts!



PP RUPERT GOLDMAN

- A Gentleman and a Rotarian

--- By Past President Dr. Tarcisus Chin ---



The most senior Rotarian that I had known for a long time, Rupert Goldman, was already a member of the Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya since 1965, four years after the club's charter. Seven years later in 1972, I met him when I was inducted by President James Peter Chin. Rupert continued his membership and commitments to the club until his resignation some years back, due to ill health. At the point of his departure, he would have served the club for over half a century as an active Rotarian. He passed away on 18th August 2021 at the age of 83.

Rupert had been affectionately called the Bear, the Jew or simply the Food Expert. He was the connoisseur of local food, particularly mamak type food. He was the authority for the best curry, the best barbecue and the best restaurant in town! And he was always game to try out new selections and provide substantial critique on value for money.

Life was to be savoured and enjoyed seemed to be his motto. And he practised what he preached! He was a very active Rotarian and took full part in all the activities of the club, serving in all committees, and was President in RY 1983/84. In earlier days when committee meetings were hosted mainly at home, he and Ann Wendy were most gracious hosts for dinner at their palatial residence in Shah Alam, near the Istana of the Sultan of Selangor. We got to know his late mother and children Kevin, Sharon and Karen. He lived the good life, in the knowledge that there will be no disruption to electricity or water supply!

His professional occupation was in the plastics industry, in particular thermoplastic moulding, first in Plasticon (M) Sdn Bhd in PJ and later in Blowpak (M) Sdn Bhd in Klang. When China opened to the world, he also subsequently ventured into the China market. Eventually he retired and moved his residence to Bangsar South and Choo Cheng Kay in Kuala Lumpur.



PP RUPERT GOLDMAN

- A Gentleman and a Rotarian

--- By: Past President Dr. Tarcisus Chin ---

Rupert was a man for all seasons. He was into music, investing in the best sound system for his Shah Alam residence, apart from the installation of an up-to-date security system. The gracious host he was, most of the food served was outdoor barbecue. And, he was into sports. A key golfer for the club he could be found in the greens most weekends. And he participated in most of RCPJ's golf tournaments. He did well to win the RCPJ Challenge Trophy, donated by PP Ong See Seng, in RY 1987/88. He also represented the club in badminton and table tennis in his younger days and bowling in his later years.



Above all, Rupert had a good sense of humour. This was best illustrated in his many sessions as fine master. He was the one we looked to, to produce laughter at our lunch meetings. He had a magical way of extracting fines with considerable wit and superb timing. And hence, whenever the assigned finemaster was absent, Rupert, like JD John nowadays, was the de facto finemaster.

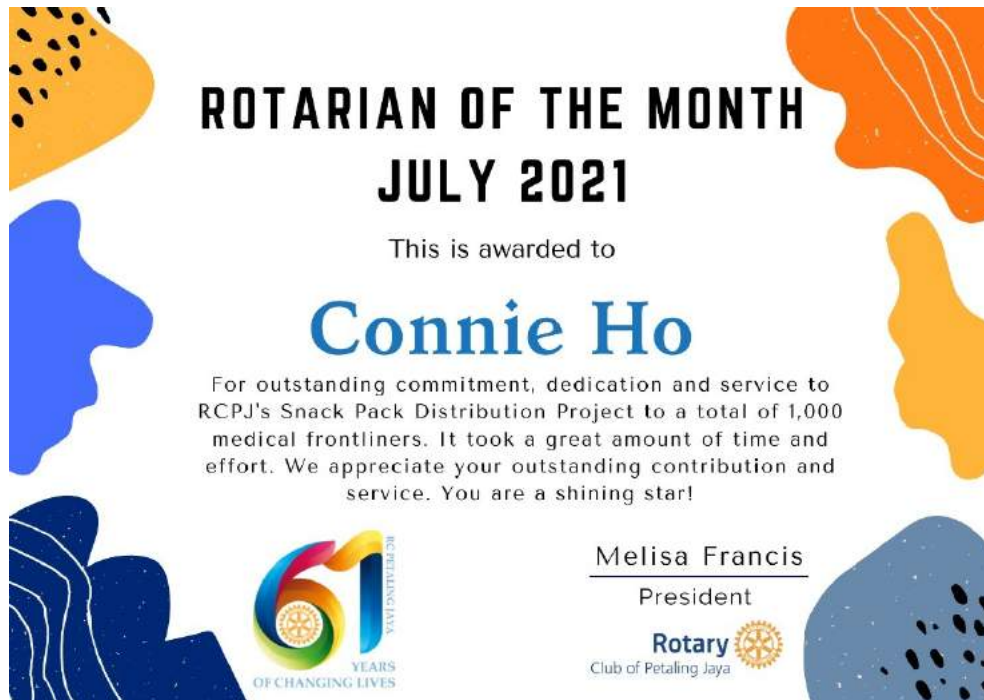
Farewell Rupert. Some of our best Rotary days had been with you. May your soul rest in eternal peace.

PP Tarcisus Chin
8th September 2021



Rotarians of the Month - July 2021

Congratulations Rotarians Connie Ho and Kasey Leong !!!





**ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH
JULY 2021**

This is awarded to

Connie Ho

For outstanding commitment, dedication and service to RCPJ's Snack Pack Distribution Project to a total of 1,000 medical frontliners. It took a great amount of time and effort. We appreciate your outstanding contribution and service. You are a shining star!

 **60** YEARS OF CHANGING LIVES

Melisa Francis
President
Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya 



**ROTARIAN OF THE MONTH
JULY 2021**

This is awarded to

Kasey Leong

For outstanding commitment, dedication and service to enhance the reach and engagement of RCPJ's social media channels. It took a great amount of time and effort. We appreciate your outstanding contribution and service. You are a shining star!

 **60** YEARS OF CHANGING LIVES

Melisa Francis
President
Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya 

Join Meeting with Rotary Club Of Wattala, Sri Lanka on 10th August 2021



A joint meeting was held on 10th August, 2021 on zoom between the 2 clubs to showcase the culture of both countries.

Brief history of Rotary Club Wattala, Sri Lanka

Rotary Club of Wattala, Sri Lanka which is in District 3220- Sri Lanka and Maldives was chartered on 31 May 1985 . Presently the club has 20 members from different professions.

They meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month.

Rotary Club of Wattala has three Community Based Rotaract Clubs under their umbrella .

Wattala is located in the immediate outskirts of the Capital of Sri Lanka, Colombo.

The Club has done many community projects with matching Grants.

This joint meeting was organised by Club Admin Director Datin Sivanee and TRF/International Service Director PP Alice Imm. The meeting was about an 1 ½ hours and was held on zoom.

Participants of the meeting were Rotarians from both clubs, Rotaractors of RCPJ and Rotaractors from Peace City Hatton and Sri Aman Interactors. Rotarians from both clubs were encouraged to dress in traditional clothing.

Programme:

a) 45 mins before the main meeting, Rotaractors of Petaling Jaya and Rotaractors of Peace City Hatton and Interactors from Sri Aman had a get to know session.

Main meeting:

a.) President of RC Wattala SL, PHF Luvi Siemon addressed the meeting followed by RCPJ President Melisa Francis.

Each President briefly shared their club projects carried out in response to the needs and challenges of the communities during this pandemic.

b.) 10-15 minutes video to showcase the respective countries - a very informative session on both countries.

c.) Videos showcasing traditional food of each country.

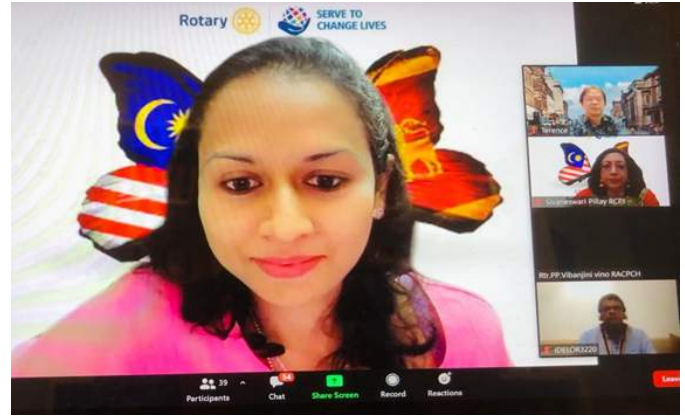
d.) A question and answer session was held after the country showcase to understand each other's cultures better.

At the end of the meeting we felt it was a fruitful session in getting acquainted with each other and to encourage and build a relationship between both clubs. We look forward to visiting Sri Lanka someday and likewise for them to visit us in Malaysia in the near future.

Join Meeting with Rotary Club Of Wattala, Sri Lanka on 10th August 2021



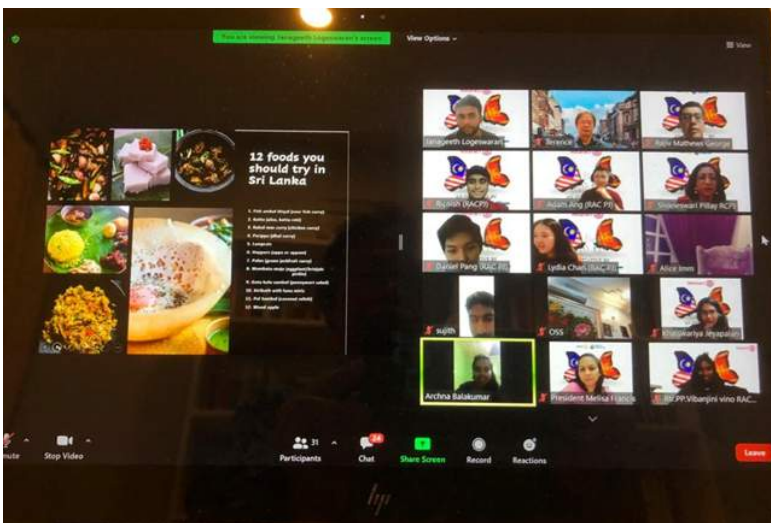
President of Rotary Club of Wattala,
SL PHF Luvi Siemon



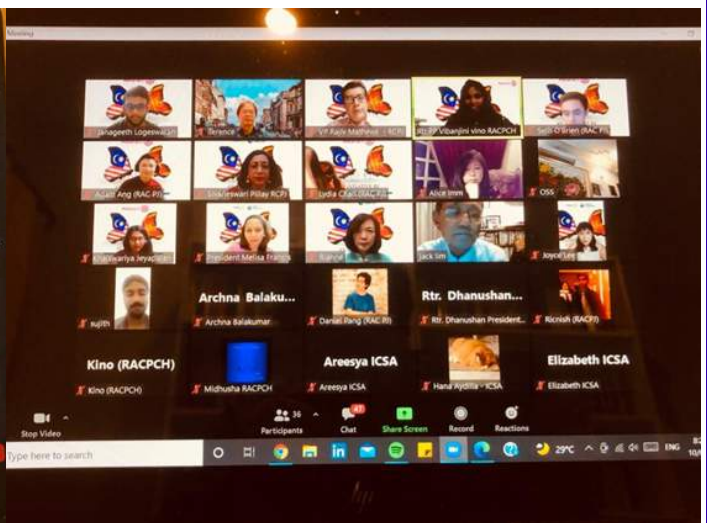
President of Rotary Club Petaling Jaya,
Melisa Francis



TRF Director, PP Alice Imm and Club Admin Director, Datin Sivanes - both dressed in traditional outfits

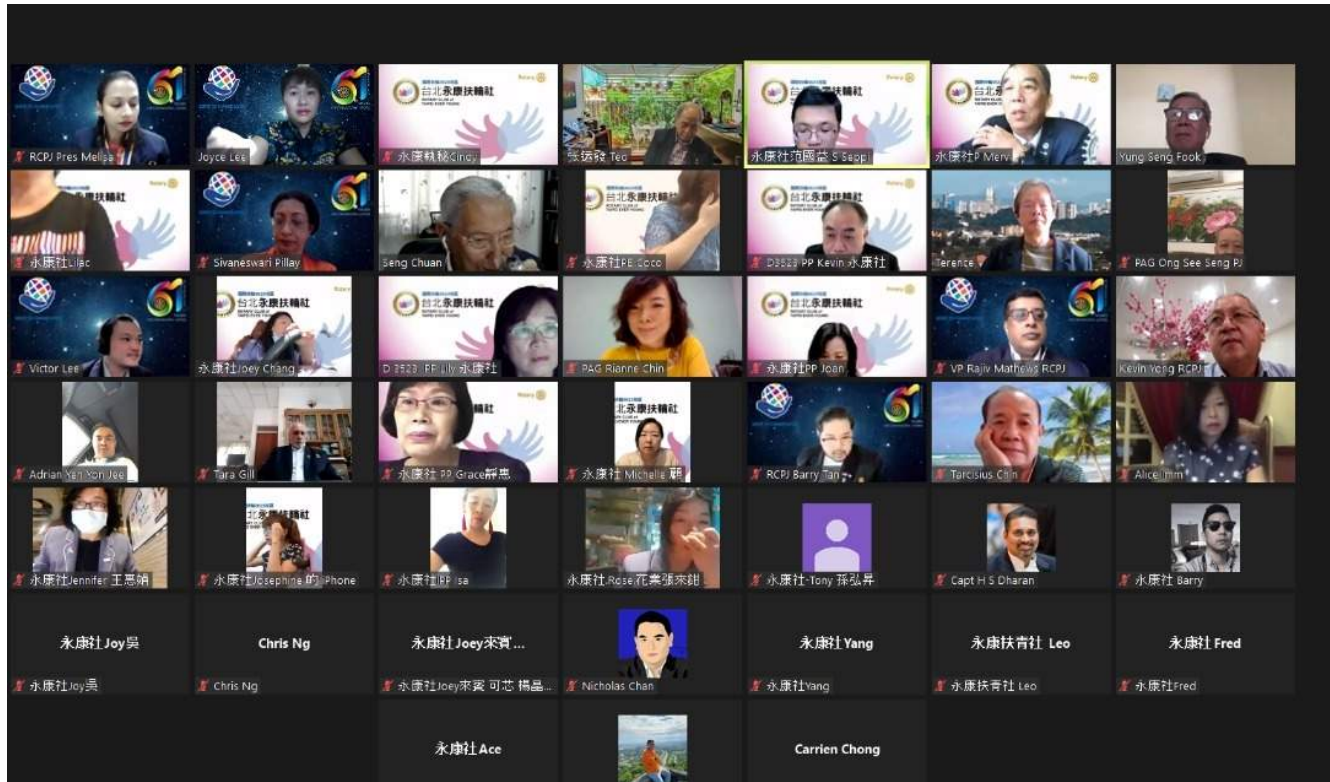


Showcasing Sri Lankan food by the Rotaractors



Participants of this session on zoom

Join Meeting with Rotary Club Of Taipei Ever Young on 26th August 2021



The Rotary Club of Taipei Ever Young 台北永康扶輪社 has been our sister club since 2015 under PAG Dato' Seri N. Krishna Moorthy's year. They were a major donor in setting up a library in La Salle school and have visited us a couple of times since establishing the sister club agreement.

Despite the pandemic, we have continued to be in regular contact with our Taiwanese sister club. For RY 2021/2022, RCPJ will be a partner of their Global Grant project to set up a Liver Scan Centre. Early this month, RCPJ signed the MOU agreement as international host partner to confirm this agreement.



To keep ties warm between both clubs, RCTPEY invited a member from RCPJ to be their guest speaker at their virtual club meeting. The invitation had a unique requirement attached to it -- a speaker conversant in Mandarin. This is because their club meetings are conducted in Mandarin entirely, as most of their members only spoke Mandarin.



IPP Victor Lee being of Taiwanese and Hong Kong origin breezed through his presentation in mandarin about our club's history, the economic environment in Malaysia, the Investment opportunities available,

Join Meeting with Rotary Club Of Taipei Ever Young on 26th August 2021

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Brief Background:

Canadian, born in Hong Kong 香港 lived in Kaohsiung 高雄 as a child for 10+ years. He moved to Malaysia for secondary education before studying and graduating in British Columbia, Canada. Worked in the field of Electronics and Telecommunication before now moving to Agriculture and Aquaculture when the opportunity arose. Currently he is based in Malaysia and Myanmar but travels occasionally back to Kaohsiung 高雄.

a brief history of Taiwanese investments in Malaysia, and on his vocation.

Taiwan has been a big investor in Malaysia as far back as 1970's which led to the formation of the TIAM (Taiwanese Investor's Association Malaysia) comprising business owners and listed companies spread throughout Malaysia. Eventually some Taiwanese companies in Malaysia even went back to IPO in Taiwan. Malaysian has always had a great relationship with Taiwan and similarly our sister club relationship remains as strong as ever, unwavering by the pandemic. We await to warmly welcome our sister club TPEY when our borders re-open.

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Club Meeting and Public Webinar

Guest Speaker - 17th August 2021

RCPJ EVENING MEETING & PUBLIC WEBINAR

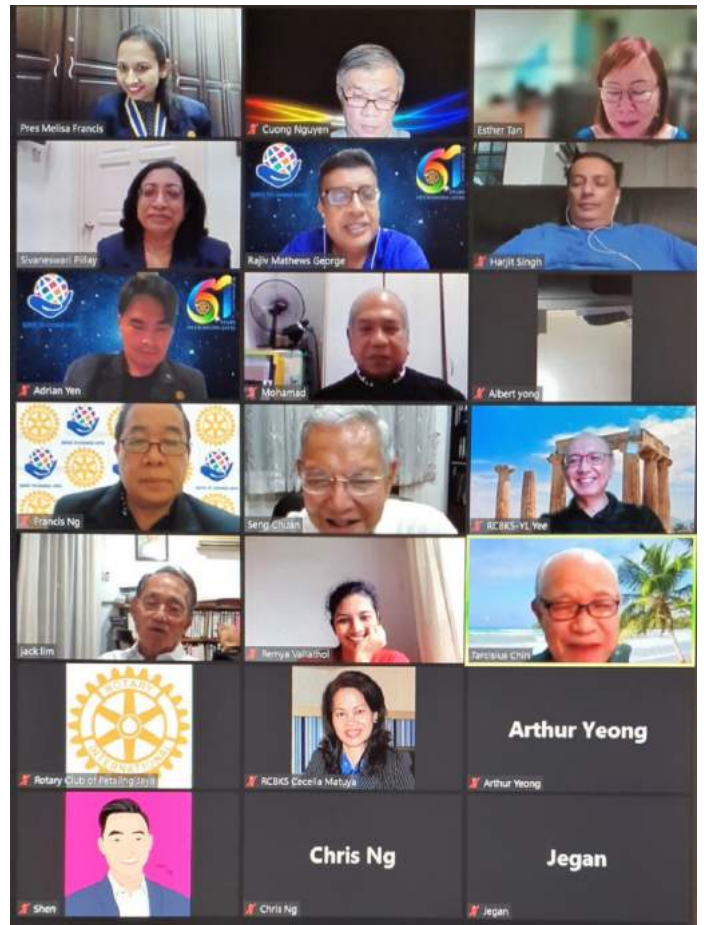
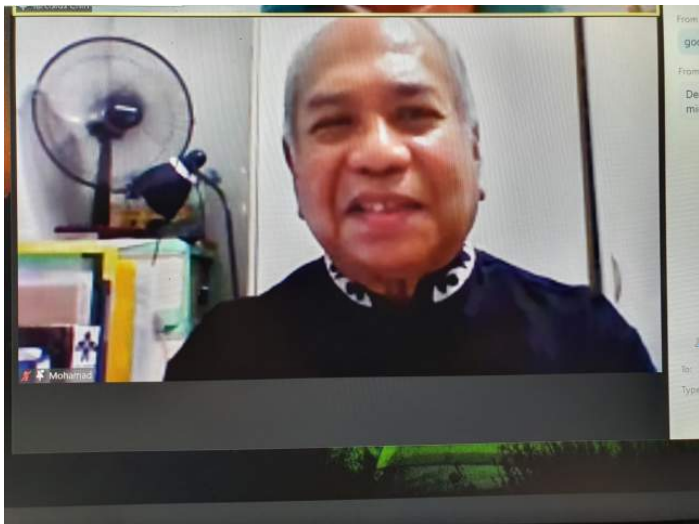
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ROTARY EDUCATION FUND

Speaker:
PAG MOHAMAD ABDULLAH
Representatives of DAGREF (Central Region)

17th August 2021, Tuesday 7.00pm - 9.00pm (Malaysian Time)



PAG Mohamad Abdullah shared with us the Rotary Education Fund REF which was started by Rotary Club of Bukit Kiara Sunrise on 14 Nov 2009.

Today, 6 Rotary Clubs are implementing REF and have 180 beneficiaries.

Club Meeting and Public Webinar

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Objectives of the Talk

- ❖ To Share with Rotary Clubs in District 3300 the Program.
- ❖ To Help more students from low income family to benefit from the Program.

Background Information

- This Programme was initiated by the Rotary Club of Bukit Kiara Sunrise on 14 November 2009.
- More than 6 Rotary Clubs are implementing this Program now.
- More than 180 students have benefited from this Program.
- Some became Doctors, Lawyers, Reporters, etc.

Mission & Vision

Mission
Nurture and develop youths from low income families between ages 15-19, who desire to "help themselves", to become useful members of society by supporting their education holistically.

Vision
Make a Positive Difference to a Young Life, by helping those who want to help themselves, and putting him/her on the start of the road to a better life.

Education is the Key to a Better Future.


The Program

The program is represented by four interlocking puzzle pieces:

- Youth Mentorship** (Red piece)
- Leadership Training** (Green piece)
- Financial Assistance** (Blue piece)
- Values Education** (Yellow piece)

Objectives of the REF

- ❖ To Assist promising 15-19 year old students from low income families, by providing financial assistance and personal education support
- ❖ To Assist the students to stay in full time education; improve their grades; and make appropriate career/tertiary education choices
- ❖ To Provide the students and their families with a network of education related opportunities
- ❖ To Develop the students to their full potential by "being the best they can be"
- ❖ To Nurture the students into good citizens



Club Meeting

Guest Speaker - 17th August 2021

5-Key REF Values

Rotary Education Fund

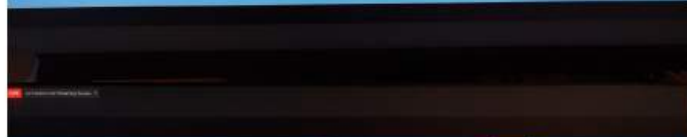
...to unlock the student's potential, not just to create a better life for them, but to create a better life for all – a better world.

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Challenges

- To Identify the Interested Rotarians to Champion the REF
- To Identify, select and train suitable Mentors
- To Raise funds to give the Mentees monthly stipends
- To Identify and select the Mentees.

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The Target Beneficiaries

Programme accommodates students:

- ❖ From low household income (<RM3K/mth)
- ❖ Age 15-19 from secondary/vocational school
- ❖ With a desire to "want to help themselves"
- ❖ Who are strong academically but not necessarily "straight As"
- ❖ With priority to those not currently receiving other financial assistance

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Rotary Education Fund

"A Better Start. A Better Life."

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Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya currently runs the SPM Tuition Sponsorship Program. RCPJ aspires to assimilate the REF model on mentorship to further enhance the SPM Sponsorship Program.

Club Meeting

Guest Speaker - 24th August 2021



RCPJ Evening Meeting & Public Webinar

District 3300
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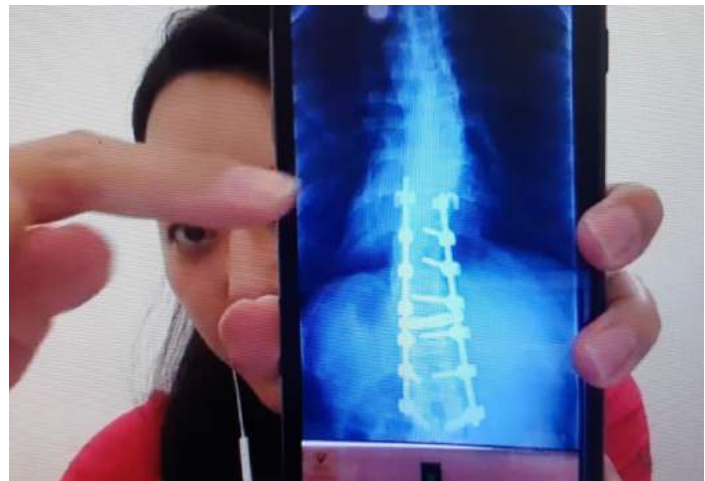
The Journey of an Olympian
Honouring our National Athletes

Speaker:
Khoo Cai Lin, OLY
Olympian & Former National Swimmer

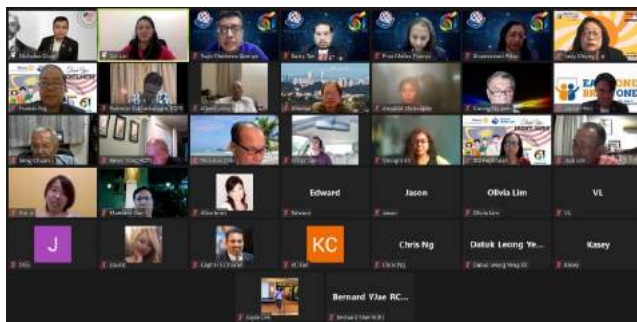
24 August 2021, Tuesday 7:00pm - 9:00pm (Malaysian Time)



RCPJ President Elect Nicholas Chan introduced Khoo Cai Lin and acted as an interviewer during the event



Her spine condition puts her in the most challenging circumstances, but to stay on top of her game, Cai Lin kept pushing her limits



The Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya members and guests listening and watching intently to Khoo Cai Lin with excitement and admiration! We are so proud of her!

Club Meeting

Guest Speaker - 24th August 2021

"It makes me stronger because I have my mind set on what I want and even if I have to go through a lot of crap to get to my goal, I will."



Cai Lin's national record of 4:10.75 in the 400m



Cai Lin was awarded with the Bintang Kecemerlangan Sukan Selangor (B.K.S) by the Sultan of Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah in December 2016.

Club Meeting

Guest Speaker - 24th August 2021

Since 2003, Cai Lin has been devoting almost all her time and energy to swimming.

There's no denying that relentless dedication is one of the most crucial things to win any modern professional sport nowadays.

Cai Lin knows this herself and has demonstrated her commitment as a national swimmer that is second to none. It's no wonder why she has achieved some amazing feats which include representing Malaysia in the 2008 Beijing Olympics and the 2012 London Olympics.

She is also the national record holder for several swimming events and was crowned the Malaysian Olympian of the Year in 2007.

Cai Lin revealed that she has been living with scoliosis for some time, ever since she was about 8 or 9 years old. Scoliosis is a medical condition where the spine would abnormally twist and curve to the side.

"I was too young to understand what it was back then, so I never thought much about it or let it affect me. But as I grew older I started to become more self-conscious about my back. Especially when I'm in my swimsuit,"

"Over the years of training, I've compensated on one side more than the other because my shoulders are imbalanced due to my scoliosis."

But even with her tenacity and perseverance, Cai Lin revealed that scoliosis has taken a toll on her as she has been dealing with serious issues with her shoulders towards the last five years of career.

"First, one side will get injured because I compensated and because it is injured, I'll use the other side more and the other side too will get injured. So, it was a whole big cycle of trying to fix my shoulders properly and what not," Cai Lin explained.

Finally, Cai Lin had an operation to straighten her spine and now working in the Advertisement industry.



Lim Chin Hwang and Khoo Cai Lin with their Malaysian Open gold medals at the National Aquatics Centre, 2014

Community Services

- Food and Medical Aid Distribution - August 2021



On 19th Aug, distribution of 1,250 snack packs to medical frontliners at HUKL, Hospital Selayang, Ampang Hospital, and Angkatan Pertahanan Malaysia.

Medical frontliners at Hospital Kuala Lumpur receiving the snack packs



On 10th Aug, distribution of 1000 masks, 200 plastic aprons, 300 face shields and 200 boot covers for HUKM.



Community Services

- Food and Medical Aid Distribution - August 2021



Delivery of stocks replenishment for Blessing Shelf at IPD Subang, USJ 8 Police Station on 11th Aug 2021 by IPP Victor Lee and Rotarian Marian Fonseka



Delivery of PPEs, face shield and face masks to Klinik Kesihatan Tangkak on 12th Aug 2021 by Rotarian Barry Tan

Community Services

- Food and Medical Aid Distribution - August 2021



On Sunday 15th Aug 2021, RCPJ PP Olivia and Major Francis distributed cookies and biscuits from Mr Yeow of Teck Huat Co (KL) Sdn Bhd to:

1. MAB - Malaysia Association for the Blind
2. Rumah Charis - home for the aged & children
3. RCPJ Blessing Shelves
4. Kg Cempaka Temple
5. Food bank
6. Blessing Shelf - Kota Damansara, Taman Mayang

The effort will be continued during the week of 15th Aug - 21st Aug 2021 to distribute to Balai Polis Bukit Puchong and IPD Subang, USJ 8. PP Olivia and Connie also distributed individual food packages for the needy.



Donation of 20 bags of rice from RCPJ on 16th August to Malaysia Association of Blind, Kuala Lumpur.

Community Services

- Food and Medical Aid Distribution - August 2021



On 16th Aug, distribution of Adult Diapers worth RM2000 to SG Buloh Hospital by President Melisa Francis & IPP Victor Lee. Sponsored by Kok Dental

Community Services

- Blessing Shelf Activities - August 2021

Rotary's 23rd Blessing Shelf

RC Sri Petaling blessing shelf opening at Kuchai Lama at 3 pm on 23rd Aug 2021 attended by President Melisa, VP Rajiv, Service Director Major Francis and ???. From RC Sri Petaling there is president & group as well as some representatives from Microsoft. This shelf of theirs is partly sponsored by the Microsoft Employees in their own capacity.



Community Services

- Snack Pack Distribution to Medical Frontliners

Thursday 19th Aug 2021

Distribution of snack pack to hospitals

- A) HUKL
- B) APM
- C) Hospital Ampang
- D) Hospital Selayang

Participants: President Melisa, Connie Ho, Adrian Yen, Barry Tan, PP Siti Haslindah, Dato Seri Dr Krishna, Jeegan



Community Services

- Snack Pack Distribution to Medical Frontliners



Community Services

- Snack Pack Distribution to Medical Frontliners



Youth Service - Get to Know Our Interact Club

--- Interact Club of Beaconhouse Sri Inai (ICBSI)

--- BOD Installation Day @ 15th August 2021

The Interact Club of Beaconhouse Sri Inai (ICBSI) held an official Installation Day for their new Board of Director on Sunday 15th Aug 2021. The event (virtually on Zoom) was attended by Principal Nicki Coombs, Teacher Advisors Lilian Lim and Sam Ng. RCPJ was represented by Director of Youth Services Anushia and Rotarian Advisor for ICBSI, Cuong Nguyen.



The Program was as followed:

12.40pm - Registration

1.00pm - Introduction speech (Emcee: Mikhail)

1:10pm - National Anthem - Negaraku,
Interact Song, Viva La Interact

1:20pm - Officiating speech by Ms. Nicki,
Principal of Beaconhouse Sri Inai International
School

1:25pm - Pre-recorded performance 1 (Scott)

1:32pm - Speech by Rotarian Anushia, Youth
Service Director of Rotary Club of Petaling
Jaya

1:37pm - Pre-recorded performance 2 (Gwen)

1:42pm - Welcoming new BOD (PowerPoint
slide presentation)

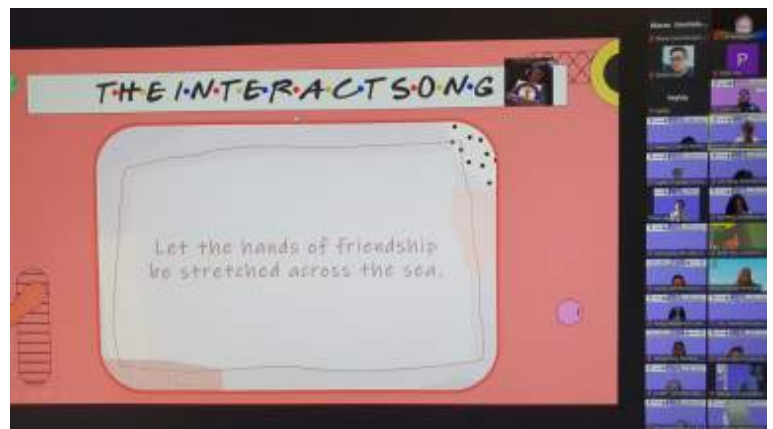
1.55pm - President Pledge

2.00pm - Pre-recorded performance 3 (Jovee)*

2.05pm - Closing speech by new president
(Jayden)

2.10pm - Closing speech (Emcee: Mikhail)

2.15pm - END



Youth Service - Get to Know Our Interact Club

--- Interact Club of Beaconhouse Sri Inai (ICBSI)

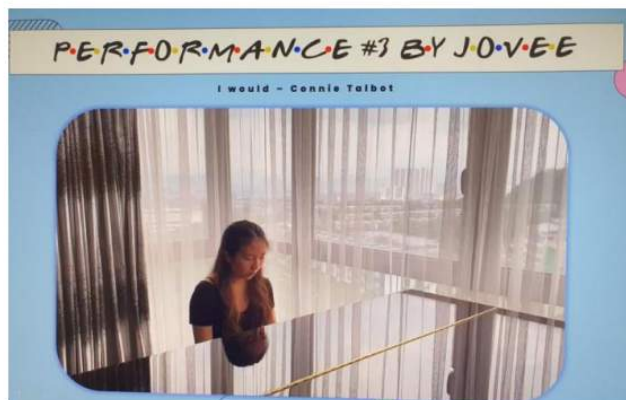
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Youth Service - Get to Know Our Interact Club

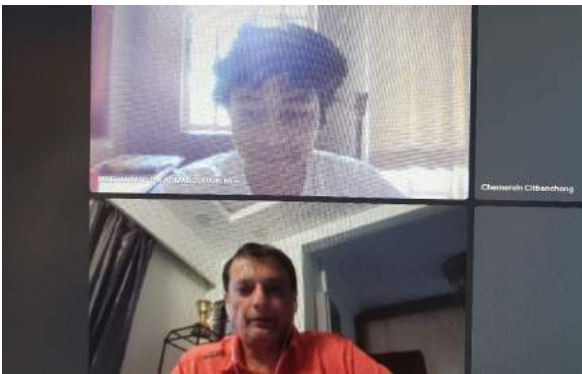
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Youth Service - Interact Club of Sultan Abdul Samad

--- BOD Meeting with RCPJ Rotarian Advisors



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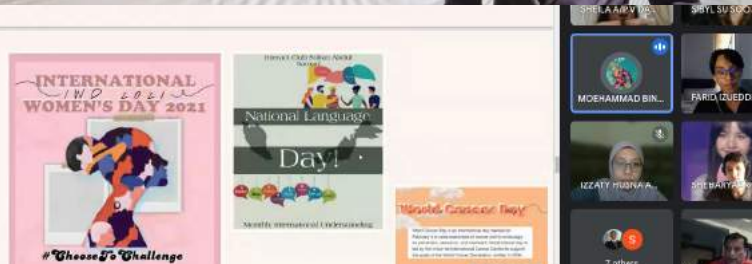
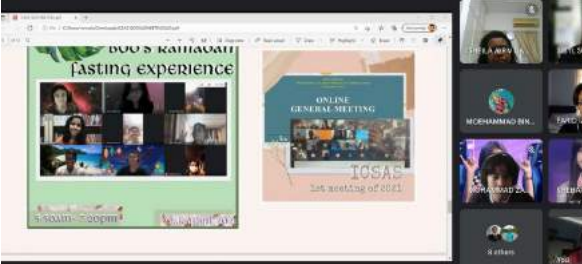
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- > EARTH HOUR 2021
- > HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
- > BOOST YOUR SELF ESTEEM PROJECT

INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING SERVICE DIRECTOR

- > INT. FARID IZUEDDIN
- > NATIONAL LANGUAGE DAY
- > INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY
- > WORLD CANCER DAY

CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR

- > INT. ZAHIR SHAHRIMAN
- > BOD RAMADAN FASTING EXPERIENCE
- > ONLINE GENERAL MEETINGS



The Interact Club of Sultan Abdul Samad (ICSAS) BoD and Teacher Advisors held a zoom meeting with Rotarian Advisors Harjit and Thiam Kit on Thursday 26th Aug 2021 to discuss past activities, and planned activities for the coming months, including BoD Installation program, fund raising, international awareness day.

Youth Services

- The Rotaract Club of Petaling Jaya



The Rotaract Club of Petaling Jaya (RACPJ), has long been serving under, and now alongside RCPJ. There are records of RAC PJ being first chartered in the 70s. After a long hiatus, RAC PJ was reformed by Rotarian Pua Boon Yee in 2009. RAC PJ is a community based club with over 25 active members. The club is currently headed by President Seth O'Brien, aspiring to bring a new edge to fellowship within the club.

RAC PJ has been in the Rotaract scene for many years now. Most recently under IPP Derek Diong, RAC PJ has become the underdog of District 3300. With a sharp increase of new, young, and active members in RY20/21, RAC PJ has been able to capitalise on the tight-knit nature of its members, by bringing home the best Best Rotaractor Award, as well as being nominated twice in a row for the Rotary International Best Project Award. With fresh recruits from RC PJ's Interact clubs, RAC PJ's fluctuating membership has proven to be to their advantage, bringing out the inner leader in each of their members. With this dynamic, they must ensure they maintain their momentum to see their club reach even greater heights.



RACPJ BOD installation for RY20/21



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Youth Services

- The Rotaract Club of Petaling Jaya



RACPJ hosting the Rotaract Club of Peninsula Hong Kong and bringing them to Tapah, Perak to see PJ's community service projects



Rotaractors participating in the annual Golden Child Project, which they co-organise every year.



A cultural exchange session with Rotaractors from Rotaract Club of Riga Ridzene, Latvia.



Rotaractors demonstrating the usage of water filters, and distributing toys to members of Orang Asli villages located in Temerloh, Pahang

Well done to our Rotaractors at Rotaract Club of Petaling Jaya for raising RM3,185 which will go to Kechara Soup Kitchen!

Every penny will go to Kechara Soup Kitchen - who tirelessly provide free food to our fellow mankind who might be homeless or hardcore poor.

"Hunger is not an issue of charity. It is an issue of justice"



Rotary Member Testimony

---Rotarian Dr. Vinogiri Krishnan



An epidemiologist by training and a mental health advocate by passion, Vinogiri Krishnan intends to break stigmas and address mental health issues through her newly launched online platform: 'Mental Health and I'.

When pursuing her PhD at the John A Burns School of Medicine at the University of Hawaii in the United States, Vinogiri witnessed a substantial number of support groups available there and felt that the mental health support available in Malaysia paled in comparison.

"I saw how people supported one another and how they were going the extra mile to form a support group when someone was suffering..."

"Hello everyone, I am Dr. Vinogiri Krishnan and recently I became a Rotarian at The Rotary Club Petaling Jaya.

I am grateful to become a Rotarian because I will be able to serve the community in the ways that I can. I am an epidemiologist and a researcher. I am a strong mental health advocate.

welcome and will give my best and fullest."

I am hoping to use my capabilities and empathy skills to serve humanity through the Rotary Club along with my fellow Rotarians. I want to empower the younger populations, especially children from schools belonging to Interact Clubs under RCPJ. There is so much to do for them mainly, to support them mentally and empower them to face challenges bravely. I believe I can make a difference for them through this wonderful platform. I will give my best for the club as a Rotarian. Thank you all the RCPJ members for the warm



Rotary History

---Rotary and Boys' Week

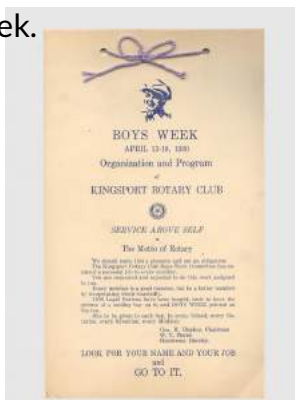
The history of Rotary's work with young people dates to the 1920s, when many clubs took part in an international event known as Boys' Week.

The first Boys' Week was held in New York City in May 1920 by the Rotary Club of New York and other local groups. The event was part of an effort to promote youth development in education, citizenship, health and hygiene, and vocation.

New York club members reported on the success of Boys' Week at the 1920 Rotary Convention, hoping that it would become part of the previously established Boys' Work program. That program encouraged Rotary clubs to work within their communities to develop good citizens by countering juvenile delinquency, truancy, and poor physical health.

Boys' Week events quickly spread throughout the world. By the mid-1920s, they were being held in almost 600 locations across 25 countries. In 1928, the number of participating cities and towns had grown to about 3,000.

The focus expanded to include girls, who rode on the float sponsored by the Rotary Club of Vicksburg, Mississippi, USA, in a 1924 Loyalty Day parade held in conjunction with Boys' Week.



The Rotary Club of Fort Smith, Arkansas, USA, sponsored a float in a 1924 Loyalty Day parade.

By the late 1920s, the United States had established a National Boys' Week Committee, and Rotary participated. Rotary clubs were encouraged to support their local Boys' Week events to achieve the goals of the Boys' Work program.

In 1934, Boys' Week became known as Youth Week, and in 1936, Boys' and Girls' Week.

The RI Board of Directors discontinued Rotary's official sponsorship of the week in 1954 but encouraged clubs to continue participating in local youth service initiatives. Rotary went on to form other programs for young people, starting with Interact, Rotaract for young leaders, and Rotary Youth Exchange, for students who stay with host families in another country.

In 2010, Youth Service became Rotary's fifth Avenue of Service. Rotarians recognize the positive change that young people bring about through leadership development activities, community and international service projects, and exchange programs that enrich and foster world peace and cultural understanding.



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RCPJ is part of an international movement founded by Paul P. Harris in 1905.

The purpose of the organization is to bring together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are 33,976 clubs and over 1.22 million members worldwide at present.

Rotary's best-known motto is "Service above Self", and its secondary motto is "They profit most who serve best".

The Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya

RCPJ was chartered on 6th January 1961 with over 50 members at present. Rotary is an international movement founded on international friendship and service to the community in which it is located. Perhaps the most prominent project has been and still is, Polio Plus, the eradication of polio from the face of the earth. It is a non-political, non-religious, non-racial, non-sectarian, non-governmental voluntary organization comprising men and women of many varied professions.

Over the years, RCPJ was responsible for providing Petaling Jaya's urban community with its first public library, equipping the children's playground, and starting a kindergarten. At the national level, it succeeded in launching the National Kidney Foundation, the precursor of the country's first centre for urology and nephrology, to mention some of its more spectacular achievements.

By 1990, RCPJ expanded its service activities to establish regular community support in the form of schools nutrition, vocation guidance, youth development through Rotaract and Interact Clubs and bus shelters and pedestrian bridges.

RCPJ has also addressed contemporary local issues for the aged, the handicapped, the poor, the environment, health and international partnerships. In recent years, RCPJ's signature project has been the Golden Child Project. A project focused on giving a weekend retreat to terminally ill children. Others include, Ten-Pin Bowling for the physically and mentally challenged children, children's cheer project for the less privileged, vaccination for hawkers in SS2, SuperCamp to reach out to the youths, and the Lighthouse Project to train teachers to teach English. In 2005, the Club put into action the SuperMum project to empower single mothers with baking and cooking skills and sustain a home based business to be financially independent.

DYMM Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah Sultan of Selangor, is the Patron of the Rotary Club of Petaling Jaya.

