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Through Service

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## Programme Today

**Speaker** : President Aaron Ong  
**Subject** : President's Official Address

### ON DUTY

Duty Table : Rtn. Laura Lee  
Fellowship : Rtn. Joanne Ting  
Finemaster : IPP Dato Steven Oon  
Introduce : PP Gary Lim  
Thanking : PDG Dr Paul Lee

## Programme Next Week

**Speaker** : TBA  
**Subject** : TBA

### ON DUTY

Duty Table : Rtn. KA Kumar  
Fellowship : Rtn. Elaine Tan  
Finemaster : PP K U Rajah  
Introduce : Rtn. Patrick Lee  
Thanking : PP Dato N K Jasani

## Happy Birthday!

Rtn. Veronique (2nd. July) Rtn. Elaine Tan (6th. July)

## Spouse's Birthday!

Ann Devi (4th. July)

## Happy Anniversary!

Nil

## FUTURE ROTARY EVENTS

### AGTS – AG's Training Seminar

Friday 28/9/12-- Sunday 30/9/12 @ Kulim, Langkawi

### GDLTS –Group Discussion Leaders' Training Seminar

Friday 19/10/12 – Sunday 21/10/12 @ Kamunting, Taiping

### Pre-PETS 1

Friday 23/11/12 – Sunday 25/11/12 @ Tampin, A'Famosa Resort

### Pre-PETS 2

Friday 15/3/13 –Sunday 17/3/13 @ Ampang, D'Villa Residences

### District Assembly

Friday 26/4/13 –Sunday 28/4/13 @ Melawati, Grand Dorsett Hotel

### DTTS – District Team Training Seminar

Sunday 19/5/13 @ Klang Central, Klang Executive Centre

### District Conference

Friday 6/12/13 –Sunday 8/12/13 @ Kuala Lumpur West, Hotel Istana (tentative)

## Rotary Club Diary 25th June – 30 July 2012

Date	Time	Programme	Venue
July Mon 2	12.45 pm	Luncheon Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Fri 6		Sister Club Mandaluyung Installation Dinner	Manila, Philippines
Sat 7		Sister Club RC Songkla Installation Dinner	Songkhla, Hatyai
Mon 9	12.45 pm	Luncheon Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Wed 4	6.30 pm	Public Relations Meeting	Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club
Thu 5	6.30 pm	Service Committee Meeting	Solaris Dutamas
Mon 16	12.45 pm	Luncheon Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Tue 17	6.30 pm	TRF Comm Meeting	Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club
Wed 18	6.30 pm	Club Admin Comm Meeting	Loong Foong Rest. (Kelana Jaya)
Thu 19	6.30 pm	New Gen Comm Meeting	Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club
Mon 23	12.45 pm	Luncheon Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL
Wed 25	6.30 pm	BOD Meeting	Bukit Kiara Equestrian Club
Mon 30	12.45 pm	Luncheon Meeting	Shangri-La Hotel, KL

**NEW BEGINNING**

Congratulations to President Aaron Ong on his ascent to the chair of president of the Pudu Rotary Club! We had a successful and enjoyable 46th Installation of the President and the BOD on Sun 24th June 2012. The occasion was witnessed by more than 300 people chief amongst which was none other than the District Governor Mansoor Saat, members of our sister clubs and prominent members of the public.

Outgoing president Dato Steven Oon outlined his achievements during the dinner and he should be congratulated for successfully leading the club for the last 12 months. He was thanked by PP Sim Bee, chairman of the Past President Council, speaking on behalf of the club, at the last luncheon meeting of RY2011/12.

President Aaron also gave an outline of what he wanted to do for the incoming year and rightfully he said that we would "be going back to our roots" and "having great fellowship with each other". To do that and to carry out some of the projects he had installed a group of young and dynamic Rotarians to help him. There is no doubt they will be able to achieve all the stated goals that will make this club proud and be a leading light in the district. This had spurred DG Mansoor to remark in his speech that "Pudu would be a leading club in the district ....probably"

President Aaron has considerable experience to lead the club having been in positions like Secretary, Treasurer and Vice President. He was also the lead in fund raising last year's "Pudu Charity Run" and this year "Men in Black" premier show. The earlier effort netted RM120,000 and the latter RM100,000. Not forgetting as far back during the tsunami, he led a group of students to raise RM30,000 to help those affected by the disaster.

President Aaron no doubt will have his charming Ann Vivian and daughters Alina and Rachel to support him. This is very positive as our club has always been thought to be a family club. We look forward to seeing them a lot during club functions.

Best wishes!!!

My dear Pudu Rotarians,

Shalom. Peace be unto you!

Thank you for your confidence in letting me lead Rotary Club of Pudu in this Rotary Year 2012-2013.

I wish to record my sincere appreciation and thanks to IPP Dato' Steven Oon and his Board of Directors for the service they have rendered to the community during the past 12 months.

As we turn the page to a new chapter in Rotary Club of Pudu's illustrious record of outstanding community services throughout the years, we are faced with more wars around the world and perceived increase in crime locally.

Therefore, RI President Sakuji's theme of "Peace Through Service" for RY 2012-2013 is most meaningful and relevant. He further elaborates, "Peace has different meanings for different people. No definition is right, and no definition is wrong."

As I reflect on this year's Rotary International theme, I am drawn to the word "Peace".

I judged we first need to promote peace within our club to strengthen the fellowship among our members so that we can enjoy our Rotary service together. When we promote peace within our club, we do not look at the mistakes or short-comings of others. Rather, it begins with opening our hearts to love, forgive and be helpful towards one another.

By continuously keeping this in our mind and living it out through our actions, I am sure we will see a transformed Rotary Club of Pudu to regain our standing as THE premier Rotary Club in RI District 3300 and not "probably the best Rotary Club".

Only when we are strengthened within can we then go out to serve others and establish a peaceful community, country and world.

Finally, I wish for your participation in the events and projects lined up throughout the year. I guarantee you will enjoy more out of Rotary by participating rather than observing. Let us come together and make a difference in this world.

In-Rotary-Service,

**Aaron Ong**  
President RY 2012/13



## Record of Meeting on 25th June 2012

**Guest Speaker** : PRESIDENT DATO STEVEN OON  
**Subject** : PRESIDENT'S SWAN SONG

### VISITING ROTARIANS

Name	Club
PE Mark Luna	RC Mandaluyung
Rtn. Glen Ryan Tan	RC Mandaluyung
Rtn. Gion	RC Mandaluyung
PP Vera Thanohsakdi	RC Dhonburi
PE Phanida	RC Dhonburi
Rtn. Tassanaporn Apichaisiri	RC Dhonburi
Rtn. Chokchai Cheroenistwataneon	RC Dhonburi
PE W T Wong	RC HK Harbour

### GUESTS

Name	Host
Carol Ong	PP Ng Sim Bee

### STATISTICS

Visiting Rotarians	:	9
Guests	:	1
Club Members	:	28
<b>Total Present</b>	:	<b>38</b>

### COLLECTIONS

Birthdays / Anniversaries / Fines	:	RM 89.00
Paying Diners	:	RM 120.00
Raffles & Others	:	
<b>Total</b>	:	<b>RM 209.00</b>

### Club Proceedings

Acting SAA Rtn. Lawrence Annies on behalf of President Dato Steven Oon called the meeting to order at 1.15 pm. He later introduced all the visiting Rotarians and guests. He later led in the singing of the National Anthem

The finemaster for the day was PP Gary Lim. He started his fine session by fining President Dato Steven Oon RM2 for being relieved as this was his last meeting as President for RY 2011/12. All the BOD were equally fined RM1 for the same pleasure. All the incoming BOD for RY 2012/13 were equally fined RM1.

He also fined all the members present RM1 for not wearing their name tags and the club jacket.

PRC 'Charlie Angels' namely Rtns. Daisy, Tenny and Sandy were each fined RM1 for sitting together on the same table.

Visiting Rtn. Engard from RC Klang contributed RM5 to our coffers. Rtn. Asok Kumar was fined RM2 for making a comment. Rtn. Elaine was fined RM1 for being late to the meeting.

PP K U Rajah who received RI 4 avenue of service award was fined RM5 and Rtn. Joanne who did not know this was fined RM1. All members who had their photos taken and appeared in the club bulletin were each fined RM1.

PDG K B Lim for celebrating his birthday and also for coming to the meeting after long absence and

also moving to another club later on paid a fine of RM20.

PP Gary also fined all the members present RM1 as he declared that today was everyone's birthday and PDG K B Lee paid a fine of RM5 for making a comment.

### Introduction of Speaker

Rtn. Lawrence Annies introduced the speaker for the day who was none other than our very own Club President Dato Steven Oon who was making his farewell and thank you speech and chairing the meeting for the last time as President for RY 2011/12.

### Speaker's Text

#### PRESIDENT'S SWAN SONG

My fellow Rotarians,

#### SWAN SONG & INSTALLATION 2011 EDITION

1. "Swan Song" is a metaphorical phrase for a final gesture, effort, or last performance given just before death or retirement and also a farewell or final appearance, action, or work.
2. Well, this is it : my Swan Song. I was honouring RC Pudu's dedicated and generous Rotarians, but also that I was performing my last act as President of our beloved club, installing a tremendous Rotarian, PE

Aaron Ong who as 46th President will lead our club to the next half our of our century of services to our community.

3. We have crossed this milestone where we completed our 45th year of service to our community of Pudu . Our 46th President, PE Aaron Ong will take us into the 46th year of service.
4. To the Outgoing Board, I thank each and everyone of them for putting forward their best in whatever they did. You have been an inspiration to me and I shall never forget your contribution to Rotary. There are also many of our club members, including Past District Governors and Past Presidents, who were not in the Board, but nevertheless gave their time, energy, ideas and money to ensure that the club continues to survive. To these outstanding gentlemen, I say "Terima Kasih" and I shall always remember your noble deeds.
5. All of you have given me a chance to lead the club, although I had never thought of it until just before this Rotary year. For that, I am honoured and thankful. There were highlights and lowlights, but they were all part of the experience one seldom gets. It was a true Rotary experience.
6. An ordinary mortal, I have many failings and shortcomings. I hope that in the course of this Rotary year, I had not failed the Four-Way Test and caused offence to any of our members or their family members. If I had, please forgive me but I assure you that they were never deliberate nor premeditated.
7. From what I have seen this far, the Incoming Board, with Vice President, a vibrant, creative and dynamic Board. All I can hope is that you will give Incoming President Aaron Ong and his Board much more support than what you have given this year. We really need this support so that we can continue to be the leading Rotary club in the District, not only in our own eyes, but more importantly in the eyes of other Rotarians in District 3300. I congratulate the Incoming Board members on their election to office and wish them every success over the next 365 days or so.
8. This is my last President address at regular meeting of this club. The theme for this year "**Reach Within to Embrace Humanity**" will fade away and next year's theme will be "**Peace Through Service**".
9. Lastly, I wish to end by reading what I wrote one this morning:-

It has been a long and eventful Rotary year and as we come to the end of it:-

I realise more than ever that I must give thanks  
I give thanks to the community for the opportunity of service  
I give thanks to Rotary for the meaning of service  
I give thanks to the Club for the privilege of leadership  
I give thanks to the Club for the honour accorded to me  
I give thanks to Members for their participation and contribution

I give thanks to Members for the warmth of fellowships  
I give thanks to Past Presidents for their example  
I give thanks to Past Presidents for their wise counsel  
I give thanks to my Board and Advisors for their commitment and dedication  
I give thanks to my Board and Advisors for their team spirit and cooperation  
I give thanks to friends for their unwavering support and patience  
I give thanks to friends for great times together  
I give thanks to our Anns for bringing glamour to our events  
I give thanks to my family for their love  
I give thanks to all for their support  
And I give thanks to God who made it all possible

With Best Wishes for a great Rotary Year ahead.

Finally, it is my pleasure and please step up front, as I call your names to receive a nice and pleasant "Thank You" gift for my outgoing Board of Directors, Board Appointees and Advisers for Rotary Year 2011-2012.

#### 1. Honorary Treasurer - Rtn Asok Kumar

Our Pudu Rotary Club Account (PRC) and Pudu Rotary Club Charity Foundation Account (PRCCF) were updated and maintained in an orderly manner. These two accounts are kept distinct. Rtn Asok Kumar had worked tirelessly to ensure the timely collection of dues from members and to coordinate the payments in and out of the two accounts during the year.

#### 2. President Elect CT Heng

- a) Two Primary tasks of the President Elect were to organise the 45th Installation Dinner and Membership Development Director. The 45th Installation Dinner was well organized on 28th August 2011 wherein we had YB Dato' Tan Lian Hoe as our Guest of Honour.
- b) And the most important goal, we have achieved increased a net growth of 9 new members.

#### 3. IPP Leong Choy Ying

- a) Organising Chairman for Scholarship Awards and Undergraduate Grants. This year the Education Grants and Scholarship worth RM32,600 were given to 133 secondary school students in 8 school and 2 undergraduates in the low incomes from our scholarship fund. The event was held on 14th January 2012 at SMK Cheras.
- b) At the meantime, the Organising Chairman for the 100% Appreciation Dinner was held on 8th September 2011 and Spouses' Nite on 19th November 2011.

#### 4. Club Administration Director - Rtn Lawrance Annies

Rtn Lawrance did a fantastic job twice as Club Administration Director (1st tasks RY2009/10 & 2nd tasks in RY2011/12) considering the fact that this is the largest avenue of service involving a

- multitude of tasks to ensure the smooth running of the Club.
5. Public Relation Director - Rtn Patrick Lee
 

Rtn Patrick Lee great dedication to secure publicity for our Club is admirable. Clubs activities were prominently reported and highlighted in the news media
  6. Service Director - Rtn Daisy Chiu (Acting Secretary)
 

Service community did very well under Director Daisy Chiu. All projects planned were executed on time and expenditure incurred was within the planned budget.

    - a) Service Community
 

We continued with our long standing assistance to Jenjarom Old Folks Home.

1st visit on 14th August 2011. During the 1st visit, the club donated a new DVD player and a refrigerator costing RM2000 to replace an old, leaking fridge. The club also presented their bi-annual of RM3000 for the up-keep of the home.

2nd visit on 8th January 2012. As part of the Chinese New year celebrations, the club made a 2nd trip to Jenjarom. A ceiling fan, an instant water heater were replaced. A bi-annual cheque of RM3000 was presented to the Home.
    - b) Vocational Awards
 

This year we have selected 3 candidates of differing occupation. One candidate from Yayasan Chow Kit and 2 candidates from Women's Aid Organisation.

The Theme of the event is "Human Trafficking".
    - c) Van for Special Children Society of Ampang, Selangor
 

Our club donated a Nissan Urvan van, worth RM89,768.60 to Special Children Society of Ampang, Selangor (SCSOA) on 17th April 2012.
    - d) Happy Family with Values & Long Lasting Relationship with 4 projects :-
      - Father & Son Adventure Camp (7 & 8 Oct 2011)
      - Mother & Son Connection (22 Oct 2011)
      - Father & Daughter Banquet (10 Mac 2012)
      - Mother & Daughter Connection (28 Apr 2012)
  7. PP Gary Lim
 

Board Advisor and Organising Chairman for the Official handing over van to Special Children Society of Ampang on 17th April 2012. Resource Speaker for Rotarian Advisers Fireside on 21st April 2011.
  8. PP KU Rajah
 

Board Advisor and the Organizing Chairman, the event – "Past Presidents Luncheon" with theme : "Colours of Glory" on 19th December 2011. PP KU Rajah is also the recipient of the RI most prestigious Avenue of Service Citation.
  9. PP Ng Sim Bee
 

Board Advisor and the Organising Chairman of PP Council Meeting on 18th April 2011. He generally raised RM10,000 for Vocational Award theme Human Trafficking.
  10. Club Bulletin Chairman - PP Richard Liew
 

PP Richard Liew dedicated a great deal of his time and efforts to ensure the timely publication of our high quality and acclaimed Berita Pudu. Our clubs's activities were well covered with generous spread of photos and there were plenty of Rotary Information as well. The club produced 42 issues during the course of the year.
  11. Interact Chairman - Rtn Laura Lee
    - a) We have successfully conducted the 35th Interact Leadership Training Motivation & RRI Games Day with theme "Nurturing Our Youth Toward 1Malaysia" held from 11th to 13th March 2011 at Akademik Pembangunan Belia Malaysia, Port Dickson. Our club received a total 200 t-shirts and sponsored by Pejabat Perdagangan Dalam Negeri, Koperasi dan Kepenggunaan, Negeri Sembilan.
    - b) Rotarian-Teacher Advisors' Hi-Tea was successfully held on 13th May 2011 at Hotel Sentral Pudu.
    - c) 1st Fireside (New Generations) - This was successfully held at Rtn Laura Lee residence on 21st April 2011.
    - d) Interact Club Installations. All 9 Interact Clubs held their respective Board of Directors' Installation as scheduled.
  12. PP Choo Jee Sam
 

For being the Award recipient and a Major donor contributor to the Rotary Foundation

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### Thanking of Guest Speaker

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PP Ng Sim Bee as PP Council Chairman, on behalf of the club thanked and congratulated out going President Dato Steven Oon for having successfully completed his year as President for RY 2011/12 and all members present together with our guests gave him a standing ovation.

# 42nd Weekly Meeting President's Swan Song on 25th June 2012 at Shangri-la Hotel



President Dato' Steven and Rtn Daisy Chiu, AS Acting Secretary.



President Dato' Steven giving his last speech as President for RY11/12



Hon. Treasurer Rtn Asok receiving his "Thank You" gift from President



President Dato' Steven presents PE CT Heng with a Thank You gift.



President Dato' Steven presents IPP Leong Choy Ying with a Thank You gift.



President Dato' Steven presents Rtn Lawrence Annies with a Thank You gift.



President Dato' Steven presents Rtn Patrick Lee with a Thank You gift.



President Dato' Steven presents Rtn Daisy Chiu with a Thank You gift.



President Steven receiving a gift from PE Mark from RC Mandaluyung

## RC Pudu Rotarians having photos taken with PE Phanida from RC Dhonburi Together with members from RC Dhonburi





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**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL**

Rotary International (also known as the Rotary Club) is an international service club whose stated purpose is to bring together business and professional leaders in order to provide humanitarian services, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. It is a secular organization open to all persons regardless of race, colour, creed, religion, gender, or political preference. There are 34,282 clubs and over 1.2 million members worldwide.[2] The members of Rotary Clubs are known as Rotarians. Members usually meet weekly for breakfast, lunch or dinner, which is a social event as well as an opportunity to organize work on their service goals.

Rotary's primary motto is "Service above Self"; an earlier motto, "One profits most who serves best"

**RI News**

**Rwanda - A great project conceived by PRIP Raja Saboo**

Civil war that killed close to a million people, mass exodus of nearly two million refugees to the neighboring Zaire, now the Democratic Republic of Congo – these were the images that haunted the minds of everyone of the medical team when they were about to touch down at the airport in Kigali, capital of Rwanda on Sunday, April 22, 2012 after a 13-hour flight from New Delhi via Doha and Entebbe.

With the 27-member team consisting of 16 medical specialists lead by PDG Dr. R.S.Parmar and 11 Rotary volunteers lead by DG Manpreet Singh Gandhok, RI District 3080, India had arrived 770 kilograms of medical supplies including medicines and orthopedic and other equipment costing approximately US\$ 20,000.

Republic of Rwanda with a population of 13.6 million is a small country in east central Africa, just south of the equator, the most densely populated African nation today. For many medical procedures Rwandans have to go either to Uganda or Europe.

The 27-member team was received at Kigali Airport by Assistant Governor Ndoba Mugunga, responsible for Rwanda and Burundi of District 9150, PDG John Nyombayire and other local Rotarians.

The Reach out to Africa programme was an extension of the idea of serving beyond the borders conceived by PRIP Raja Saboo nearly 13 years ago when the first such team went to Uganda. Since then similar missions have been to Ethiopia, Nigeria, Malawi, Swaziland, Lesotho, Madagascar, Republic of Congo and Zambia from India as Matching Grant projects of the Rotary Foundation in collaboration with Rotary Districts and clubs from all around the world.

The 12-day programme was the culmination of several months of preparation and planning between the project coordinator PDG Ranjit Bhatia from 3080, DG FredTatukila

District 9150 and Dr. Theobald Hategekimana, Director General of University Teaching Hospital of Kigali where the Surgeons would perform the surgeries on the pre-identified patients.

210 procedures undertaken included removal of a bladder tumor and urethroplasty, facial reconstruction of a genocide survivor who was struck on the face with a machete, pharyngectomy, laparoscopic cholecystectomy, hip replacements, hysterectomy and many other complicated interventions. The surgeons were assisted by a team of three anesthetists who accompanied them from India.

At the valedictory function on April 28, Health Minister of Rwanda Dr. Agnes said, "On behalf of the families whose lives you have touched, let me say a big thank you. We would look forward to your continued assistance in similar missions in the near future". Raja in his response has promised to undertake free heart surgeries of 15 Rwandan children in Chandigarh free of any charge. The Government of Rwanda would fund their air travel whereas their surgical procedures in India including their stay arrangements would be the responsibility of local Rotarians.

A mission involving 20 plastic surgeons and a mega medical camp of 10 days to handle 400 cases of plastic surgeries and orthopedic procedures on survivors of the genocide is the next dream project of PRIP Raja Saboo.

This was service above self at its quintessential best, said one of the volunteers on his return to Chandigarh.

Source : Blog posted by Shaju Peter in eFlash\_Rotary

**Filler**

**Have a Purposeful Life !**

When I woke up this morning lying in bed, I was asking myself;  
What are some of the secrets of success in life?  
I found the answer right there, in my very room.



Carry a Heart that Never Hates.  
Carry a Smile that Never Fades.  
Carry a Touch that Never Hurts.



**HAVE A PURPOSEFUL LIFE!**